

NARRATIVE SUPPLEMENT

Case No. 2018-001

Original Report Date 02/07/2018

Supplement Date N/A

Time 1500 Hrs.

An allegation was brought to the attention of the McHenry County State's Attorney's (MCSA) Office about official misconduct conducted by Robert Miller while he was sitting as Algonquin Township Highway Commissioner. Specifically that Miller was involved in the inappropriate conduct while holding the office of Highway Commissioner for Algonquin Township. MCSA is investigating this matter at the request of the Illinois State Police.

On 02/07/2018 at approximately 1251 hours, I, Inv. Laura King, Arrived at the residence of Arnold L. Sylvester (M/W DOB: 02/17/2914), located at 213 Brisbane, Cary IL. A gentleman who identified himself as Sylvester answered the door. I introduced myself and showed him my credentials and explained I had some questions for him related to an investigation I was working on. Sylvester invited me into his home so we could speak. The following is a summary of my conversation with Sylvester and not a verbatim transcription of the contents of the conversation.

I asked Sylvester if he had been employed by the Algonquin Township Road District and he stated he was. I asked what capacity he was employed in and he stated he was a bus driver for the senior bus. I asked about the duration of his employment and Sylvester stated he started working there a few years ago and he stopped driving last year, just working for a few years. According to my records Sylvester worked at Algonquin Township during the final pay period of the year in both 2015 and 2016. I asked Sylvester what his rate of pay was and he stated "better than \$15 an hour". He did not remember the exact amount. I asked Sylvester if he was an hourly employee and he stated he was. He also stated he was paid at his hourly rate for all the time he spent driving the bus.

I brought Sylvester's attention to the mid-December pay periods in the years 2015 and 2016 and told him the records I was reviewing indicated he received extra pay, classified as miscellaneous pay, on those checks. Sylvester stated he remembered getting extra money. I asked Sylvester what the money was for and he stated he did not remember. I asked Sylvester if he had done any extra work in exchange for this compensation and he stated he did work a lot, but he was paid hourly for the hours he worked. I told Sylvester it had been suggested to me that this pay could have been a holiday bonus and he immediately agreed that is what it was. I asked Sylvester how he knew if was a holiday bonus; if there was ever a conversation about the pay checks containing extra money. He stated he received the extra money and was glad to have it, that he did not ask any questions about it. I asked if he had a conversation with Robert Miller about the extra money. Sylvester stated Miller never told him the extra money was a bonus, but it was general knowledge around the Road District that the extra money was given to the employees as a holiday bonus as a thank you for all their hard work throughout the year. I explained to Sylvester that I did not have any additional questions and he showed me out. As I was leaving he stated again, that the extra money was just a holiday bonus and there was nothing questionable about it. I asked, for clarification, if anyone told him it was a holiday bonus, and he stated no one did. He again stated that no one was asking questions about extra money. They all thought it was a nice thing. I told Sylvester I understood and returned to my vehicle at approximately 1258 hours.