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Tarpon Springs Police Department Criminal Investigations Division is currently investigating a Scheme to Defraud. On November 1, 2016 at approximately 4:23pm, John Michael Farrar, w/m, 02/27/1965, LKA: 38724 US 19 North room 381, Tarpon Springs (Quality Inn), came to the police department to turn himself in regarding stealing from Tarpon Springs Little League Baseball Inc. Initially Farrar stated he would take the cash deposits from the concession stands and not make the deposit into the league account. After further investigation Farrar admitted to making transfers from the league account to his business account.

Detective Corporal John Diebel conducted interviews of Board Member of Tarpon Springs Little League Inc and was advised that the Scheme to Defraud at this time totaled approximately \$12902.56. Board members advise they are negative \$1050.00 in the league account as of this date and have not received the final bank summary for the month. Cash receipts still need to be processed in an attempt to find how much was taken. Mr. Farrar would transfer money from the League account to a personal business account, Coast to Coast, usually in increments of \$300.00. It appears the activity started in May of 2016 and continued until this date.

Board members could not access the bank records online and asked Farrar if he could access them. Farrar would make excuses as to being busy or not near a computer. Once advised board members were going to the bank on November 1, Farrar admitted to the theft and came to the police department

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