

March 26, 2024

From: Boundary County Watchman

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Working with our local government to ensure transparency according to Idaho Statute 74.

-Jeremiah 6:17

Attn: Public Announcement

Disclaimer: It appears that someone who was included in the attached email thread below has leaked on several Facebook pages the email (attached below) and the Bonners Ferry Police Department Secretary's phone call. I never shared this incident on my Watchman page because the parent asked me to leave it alone. Now that the information has gone viral, I feel obligated to explain the situation and affirm that I did not leak the information. The attached leaked email doesn't include my blind carbon copied (bcc) recipients. So, most likely whoever leaked it was someone I carbon copied (cc).

Last year a parent approached me and advised me about his daughter's allegedly stolen iPod and allegedly child pornography on the iPod. At the time Travis Stolley was a Bonners Ferry Police Officer, who also served as the School Resource Officer too. The parent was frustrated because Travis Stolley did not submit a "student incident report" or evidence of child pornography on the iPod. The parent believe that Travis Stolley didn't follow the School MoU and Police Department Policy protocols. The iPod was alleged to contain child pornography that was allegedly sent to an adult male out of state. The parent was also concerned that a forensic investigation should have been conducted instead of giving the iPod to the parent of the child who stole the iPod (not the rightful owner and the child pornography was still on the phone).

Questions I had:

- Should either/or the School, Police Department, Idaho State Police, or FBI been involved?
- Should it have been Officer Travis Stolley's decision alone on how to handle the situation?

If I remember correctly sometime in August 2023, I suggested to the parent to do a public records request for:

- iPod (evidence)
- Student incident report
- All public records regarding this incident.

On September 5, 2023, the Police Department Secretary stated in a recorded phone call that the public records request came up empty. She also stated that if the parent wanted to know why the Police

Department didn't have the iPod (evidence) or the incident report the parent should confront Stolley and ask him the questions since he is no longer an employee. But eight days later on September 13, 2023, Stolley is emailing me that he received legal advice from Bonners Ferry City Attorney Andrakay Pluid. I am confused is the City of Bonners Ferry representing Travis Stolley legally or not?

Images of child pornography are not protected under First Amendment rights and are illegal contraband under federal law. Section 2256 of Title 18, United States Code, defines child pornography as any visual depiction of sexually explicit conduct involving a minor (someone under 18 years of age).

Bonners Ferry Police Department and Boundary County School District signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) that states the School Resource Officer will:

- Enforce Criminal Law
- Complete reports and investigate crime committed on campus.
- Take appropriate enforcement action on criminal matters as necessary.
- CONTRABAND shall be confiscated by the School Resource Officer according to the Police Department policy and properly disposed of (but "if" this had child pornography that was given to an adult male from another state it should have been given to the FBI) .

The Bonners Ferry Police Policy Manual states:

- Prevent destruction of evidence.
- You may seize property that is CONTRABAND.
- Property seized or recovered by an officer or employee will be handled so as to ensure a continuous chain of custody and stored in a secure facility designated and approved by our agency. Complete a report with the contact and descriptive information of the owner, finder or others who possessed or have a claim to an item.
- Book all evidence and property items into evidence storage before going off duty unless an alternate, temporary storage solution is authorized by a supervisor.

Bonners Ferry Police Secretary mentioned in her phone conversation that the iPod and police report were never submitted!

Here is my communication with ex-Bonnors Ferry Police Officer Travis Stolley:

On Wed, Sep 13, 2023 at 9:57 PM

Travis Stolley wrote:

Good evening, I have followed up with the Andra Kay Pluid, the City Prosecuting Attorney and the Jr. High Principal at the time of the incident. I was able to figure out the conversation occurred sometime in the fall of 2019. Thankfully I was able to discover what occurred and determine exactly what happened to the device you asked me about. Synopsis: The mother of the juvenile who allegedly had inappropriate photos on the device took the device home with her. Details: The mother spoke with myself and Jr. High Principal Kevin Dinning in Mr. Dinning's office at the Boundary County Middle School. She told us the images had been removed from the device. Neither Principal Dinning nor myself ever had possession of the device or personally saw any photographs. This is verifiable by Kevin Dinning and the mother of the other juvenile involved. The device was not returned to "Girl #1 Father" because it had been damaged and he stated he wanted it fixed before he took it back. I determined this issue did not require Law Enforcement action and the conversation ended with the device still in possession of the mother. VR, Travis Stolley

On Sep 13, 2023, at 10:48 PM

Boundary County Watchman wrote:

Travis, "Girl #1 Father" said "Girl #1" (daughter) gave you the IPOD at school while you were in uniform. Then informed you that "Girl #2" (minor) had borrowed her phone, but when "Girl #2" returned the phone (with a cracked screen) "Girl #1" found nude photos of "Girl #2" and evidence that she was sending them to an adult male back east. Why would "Girl #2 Mother (mother) have the IPOD when "Girl #1" gave you the IPOD and then advised you there was possible evidence of a crime on the IPOD. Why didn't you investigate? Are federal and state laws violated? Especially, since these photos (child pornography) were delivered outside of Idaho and to an adult male. Plus the IPOD was the property of "Girl #1 Father" (or his daughter). So at this point it seems "Girl #1 Father" should be filling out a stolen property report. Since the IPOD was given to you, should you be responsible for reimbursement? -- Adrienne Norris

On Wed, Sep 13, 2023 at 11:50 PM

Travis Stolley wrote:

All I know is what I told you in my previous email. No criminal investigation was conducted based on the facts as stated and known at the time. If the device was not returned by the other party involved, "Girl #1 Father" can choose to do whatever he feels necessary. Travis

NOTE: Boundary County Watchman forward the above email communication to the following authorities in hopes that an investigation would be done... ONLY ldressler@icrmp.org responded stating they would be observing the future communications... no other communications over the last six months.

Fri, Sep 15, 2023 at 8:30 PM

To: Travis Stolley

Cc: "Andrakay Pluid (City Attorney)", "Girl #1 Father", Brian Zimmerman, "Dick Staples (BF Mayor)", "Ron Smith (BF City Council)", "Rick Alonzo (BF City Council)", "Brion Poston (BF City Council)", "Valerie Thompson (BF City Council)", Dave Kramer, Jan Bayer, "mark.fisk@mail.bcsd101.com", ron.macdonald@mail.bcsd101.com, Mary.Fioravanti@mail.bcsd101.com, teresa.rae@mail.bcsd101.com, candice.kelly@mail.bcsd101.com

Bcc: *(Not included in this copy since it isn't my copy)*

AGLabrador@ag.idaho.gov, ldressler@icrmp.org, Bill.Gardiner@isp.idaho.gov, cericson@icrmp.org, "Attorney K. Jill Bolton", Boundary County Watchman

Boundary County Watchman wrote:

Travis, You are stating that you gave the IPOD to "Girl #2 mother" ("Girl #2 Mother"). Your timeline and statement makes no sense to me. Here is the information I was given:

1. The IPOD belongs to the "Girl #1" family, not the "Girl #2" family.
2. "Girl #2" put child pornography on "Girl #1"'s IPOD? "Girl #1" was 13 years old at the time.
3. On October 1, 2019 you and principle Kevin Dinning assisted "Girl #1" in getting the IPOD back. That evening "Girl #2 mother" drives to the "Girl #1"'s house and hands the IPOD to the mother

and rushes off. Within minutes the nude photos are found by “Girl #1”. The photos included the vagina.

4. On October 2, 2019 “Girl #1” turned the IPOD in to the school and advised that the IPOD had child pornography.
5. You asked “Girl #1” for the IPOD's Identification code (4 digit pin). You stopped her in the school hallway and had the IPOD in your hand.
6. “Girl #1” family was advised October 2019 that the photos were sent to an adult male on the east coast and needs to be investigated. Once complete the IPOD would be forensic scrubbed and then returned.
7. The IPOD was never recorded as evidence at the Bonners Ferry Police Department as of September 5, 2023.
8. The IPOD was never given to the appropriate authorities to investigate possible federal or state crimes (adult with possession of child pornography-Interstate) as of September 5, 2023.

Law references: <https://www.justice.gov/criminal-ceos/citizens-guide-us-federal-law-obscenity>

What state did the adult male live in?

Does that state have laws comparable to Idaho Statute 18-15?

Note: Please find evidence attached.

-- Adrienne Norris

Exhibits are provided below

2:42



bro help me i just got the phone back
and her nudes are on here

8:06 PM

Ewwwwwwwwww

8:06 PM

should i tell principal

8:07 PM



Jenny Buechner

Admin · 7h ·

Can someone explain why TRAVIS STOLLEY decided that child p\$rnography evidence did not require law enforcement action? Can someone tell me? I am not the only one who knows about this incident. Is this really the guy you want as Sheriff? I sure as heck don't. Not if he gets to pick and choose what is and isn't considered law enforcement acceptable, especially when it comes to things like this. He is NOT responsible!!!! Where is this stolen iPod that he was last in possession of, containing nude photos of a minor under the age of 15?

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