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Treasurer Arrested for Stealing Money from Volunteer Fire Department

Last month, members of the Woodville Volunteer Fire Department discovered money missing from their account and reported it to the Leon County Sheriff's Office.

During the investigation, the members of the department told LCSO detectives they discovered the treasurer for the department had been writing checks to herself without authorization from the department. These checks totaled almost \$4,000.

It was also determined the treasurer never deposited the money collected from a "Boot Drive" on 09/14/19. This was totaling more than \$1,000.

The Woodville Volunteer Fire Department also found several unauthorized credit card charges from the treasurer on her department credit card. The fraudulent charges totaled almost \$5,000.

The treasurer also admitted to accidentally damaging her department issued laptop and then throwing it away instead of telling the department it was damaged. The computer and associated software paid for by the department was about \$500.

She was taken to the Leon County Detention Facility.

Per Florida Statute 119, the suspect's information in this investigation is exempt.

CHARGES:

Deposit with Intent to Defraud (11 counts)

Bank Fraud

Grand Theft over \$10,000

Organized Scheme to Defraud



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