

Mayor of Village in Crimea Found Dead in Cottage's Bathroom

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A general view of Koktebel, Crimea.

The mayor of a small resort town in southeastern Crimea was found hanged under seemingly suspicious circumstances, Russian media reported.

Rostislav Storozhik, mayor of Koktebel, was still breathing when his wife discovered his hanging body in the bathroom of a cottage at a local vacation residence on Friday morning, an unidentified source connected to the police told news agency Kryminform.

When an ambulance arrived, the official was declared dead, the agency reported.

"We think that he might have been hanged by someone else, because yesterday he was very active; he met with the head of the police and he clearly had no intention of committing suicide," another anonymous source told Kryminform.

The press office of the Investigative Committee in Crimea told the RIA Novosti news agency that an investigation had been launched to ascertain what happened.

Storozhik was appointed mayor of Koktebel on April 28. He was 41.

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