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## Consent Item #23 - 4/9/13 BOS Item

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Melody Lane <melody.lane@reagan.com>

Sun, Apr 7, 2013 at 5:53 PM

To: Ron Briggs <boshour@edcgov.us>, edc.cob@edcgov.us

Cc: Terri Daly <terri.daly@edcgov.us>, Jim Mitrisin <jim.mitrisin@edcgov.us>, bosfive@edcgov.us, bosone@edcgov.us, bosthree@edcgov.us, bostwo@edcgov.us

Please pull Item #23 – Bullying from the 4/9/13 Consent calendar for public comment.

Thank you.

Melody Lane

Founder - Compass2Truth

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"We, the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts, not to overthrow the Constitution, but to overthrow men who pervert

the Constitution." ~ Abraham Lincoln ~

The actions of these GOBs are <u>unlawful and can't be ignored</u>. They have an obligation to comply with ethical guidelines and to conform to standards of professionalism. In order to instill public confidence in the legal profession and our judicial system, an attorney <u>especially</u> must set an example of lawfulness. As a legislative body the BOS has a legal obligation to <u>act</u> upon that knowledge in a timely manner.

You'll recall the 2010 Grand Jury report regarding SLT dysfunction & misconduct. A similar situation was raised concerning the City Council's ethics and the conflict of interest issues with the FPPC. We have the same situation transpiring here on the West Slope. However we no longer have a county Grand Jury to investigate malfeasance.

On October 7, 2005, the Governor signed Assembly Bill 1234. This bill requires that if a local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to, or reimburses the expenses of a member of its 'legislative body' that local agency's officials <u>must</u> receive training in ethics. (**PUBLIC SERVICE ETHICS**)

Bullying and Ethics training go hand in hand. It is <u>recommended</u> that the BOS direct the CAO & HR Director to take necessary disciplinary action of the aforementioned county employees. It is further <u>requested</u> they review the mandated Ethics Training requirements as defined in California Government Code Section 54952.

The quality of local government is largely dependent upon the quality of elected leadership. It is up to this BOS to make sound policy decisions to ensure ethical standards are adhered to, enforce appropriate disciplinary measures and thus avoid the threat of costly litigation at the expense of taxpayers.

Today is a golden opportunity for the BOS to simply do what is right and lawful.

## Whom may I expect to contact me for specific details?

Do you have any other questions or comments at this time?

**Madam Clerk:** Please accept these documents into the public record.

- 1. BOS Transcript (5 min. 10 sec.)
- 2. DOJ Ethics Training for Local Government Officials

Public Comment M. Lane #23 Over 15 years of experience as an HR professional in both the corporate and government arenas have equipped me to speak with authority on **bully tactics**, discrimination, conflict of interest, ethics and other employee misconduct.

Madam Clerk: Please distribute to each of the supervisors these relevant materials.

I wish to draw your attention to my reply to Chris Daley this morning regarding an inappropriate email he sent from his business address. Chris isn't a county employee, but he is the press agent for the BOS.

"Your **bullying** and **attempts at intimidation** are just laughable. You're going to tell my boss that I responded with "biting sarcasm" to your snarky, unsolicited email to me? Compared to your public abuse of me at numerous BOS meetings, your outrage at my changing a couple of letters in your name in a private communication seems rather puny and petty. And you expect what, that I'll be reprimanded, lose some pay or be fired?"

Unprofessional conduct & journalistic ethics was the purpose of our 2010 meeting with Publisher Richard Esposito and the Cal Aware consultant who accompanied me. My response to Chris differentiates between whistle blower organizations such as Compass2Truth versus his own distorted perception of harassing bully tactics particularly against women.

Whether in the government or private sector, Mr. Daley's conduct is unacceptable by any standards.

As an example, note my comment to Chris regarding the misconduct of Gary Lyons, MGDP Superintendent. Based upon notarized affidavits of witnesses and other substantial evidence, CA State Parks took proper <u>disciplinary action</u>. What the Mtn. Democrat didn't publish was that just months after being promoted Mr. Lyons was forced to suddenly retire for sending me a similar inappropriate email stemming from the incident that Chris Daley falsely biased to smear my good name and reputation. The media refers to such tactics as "trash journalism."

Public employees Al Hamilton and Karl Weiland have maliciously distributed similar libelous correspondence as evidenced by the materials just distributed to you.

"The Melody Lane's of this county cause road blocks to our goals and provide no service or value to our cause. Actually she has made so much noise that she is being ignored by all."

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#### Ethics Training for Local Government Officials

Government Code section 53235 requires ethics training for specified local government officials. The training can consist of self-study materials, an online course, or in-person training. The Attorney General's Office anticipates that an online training course may be developed to satisfy core curriculum requirements, but additional local training would still be necessary to address purely local issues.

Persons wishing to create a local ethics training course must consult with the Attorney General and the Fair Political Practices Commission concerning the sufficiency and accuracy of course content. (Gov. Code, § 53235, subd. (c).) In response to this requirement for consultation with the Attorney General, the following outline has been prepared to provide uniform guidance from the Office of the Attorney General regarding appropriate course content. The outline also provides links to relevant educational materials regarding ethics. Due to the demand for ethics training, it is anticipated that the Office of the Attorney General will be unable to review and comment on individual course materials. This outline provides uniform guidance, but the course preparer must be familiar with applicable law and the publications issued by the Attorney General and the Fair Political Practices Commission.

Of course, review of this outline and/or the linked materials, or completion of an ethics course, is no substitute for competent legal advice in a given situation. You should seek the advice of counsel if you have a specific legal question.

#### Curriculum Accuracy

For in-person training, the ethics law portion of any course should be delivered by an attorney licensed to practice law in California and knowledgeable about California's ethics laws. (For online and self-study training materials, the course should be prepared under the supervision of such an attorney.)

All course content should comply with the ethics laws contained in California's Constitution, statutes and common law. In addition, the course content should be consistent with the publications issued by the Office of the Attorney General, including, but not necessarily limited to, publications on conflicts of interest, the Brown Act and the Public Records Act. (See the "Publications" link on the Attorney General's web site.) Course content should also comply with the informational materials issued by the Fair Political Practices Commission, which are available at <a href="https://www.fppc.ca.gov">www.fppc.ca.gov</a>

#### Course Sufficiency

Local government officials must receive training in two areas. Instruction should be provided on general ethics principles (Gov. Code, § 53235, subd. (d)), and the training must provide a brief summary of specific laws concerning conflicts of interests, perquisites of office and government transparency.

#### General Ethics Principles

The discussion of general ethical principles should include the manner in which values such as trustworthiness, respect, fairness and responsibility promote public trust in government. It should also include the importance of avoiding even the appearance of impropriety.

#### Conflicts of Interest, Perquisites of Office, Government Transparency

The training regarding conflicts of interest, perquisites of office and governmental transparency should include the following:

- (1) Laws relating to personal financial gain by public servants, including, but not limited to:
  - (A) Laws prohibiting bribery (Pen. Code, § 68).
  - (B) Conflicts of Interest under the Political Reform Act (Gov. Code, §§ 87100, 87103).
  - (C) Contractual Conflicts of Interest (Gov. Code, § 1090 et seq.).
  - (D) Conflicts of Interest and Campaign Contributions (Gov. Code, § 84308).
  - (E) Conflicts of Interest When Leaving Office (Gov. Code, §§ 87406.3, 87407).
- (2) Laws relating to claiming perquisites of office, including, but not limited to:
  - (A) Limitations on the Receipt of Gifts (Gov. Code, §§ 86203, 89503, 89506).
  - (B) Honoraria Ban (Gov. Code, § 89502).
  - (C) Misuse of Public Funds (Pen. Code, § 424; Gov. Code, § 8314; Fair Political Practices Commission v. Suitt (1979) 90 Cal.App.3d 125; Stanson v. Mott (1976) 17 Cal.3d 206).
  - (D) Prohibitions against gifts of public funds (Cal. Const., art. XVI, § 6).
  - (E) Mass mailing restrictions (Gov. Code, § 89001).

- (F) Prohibitions against acceptance of free or discounted transportation by transportation companies (Cal. Const., art. XII, § 7).
- (3) Government transparency laws, including, but not limited to:
  - (A) Economic interest disclosure under the Political Reform Act (Gov. Code, §§ 87200 et seq.).
  - (B) Brown Act (Gov. Code, §§ 54950 et seq.).
  - (C) Public Records Act (Gov. Code, §§ 6250 et seq.).
- (4) Laws relating to fair processes, including, but not limited to:
  - (A) Common law bias prohibitions.
  - (B) Due process requirements.
  - (C) Doctrine of Incompatible Offices (Gov. Code, §§ 1099).
  - (D) Competitive bidding requirements for public contracts.
  - (E) Disqualification from participating in decisions affecting family members (anti-nepotism laws).

A self-study or online course should include testing to assess the official's retention of the information presented. (§ 53235, subd. (d).)

Both in-person and self-study training materials should refer participating local agency officials to additional resources to assure that the participating official has access to the full range of information required by these curriculum guidelines. These resources may be found on the Attorney General's webpage at <a href="www.caag.state.ca.us">www.caag.state.ca.us</a>, the Fair Political Practices Commission webpage at <a href="www.fppc.ca.gov">www.fppc.ca.gov</a>, and the Institute for Local Government at <a href="www.ca-ilg.org/AB1234Compliance">www.ca-ilg.org/AB1234Compliance</a>.

Once the initial ethics training has been completed, agencies may wish to focus more intensely on specific areas of concern in subsequent training sessions and provide a more cursory review of the enumerated laws. We recognize that the two hours of mandatory training is a basic minimum, and encourage agencies to provide additional training throughout the year in order to promote ethical and transparent government at the local level.

#### **Training Deadlines**

Initial Compliance Period: Local agency officials in local agency service as of January 1, 2006 (except for officials whose term of office ends before January 1, 2007), must complete their training by December 31, 2006. For local agency officials who commence service after January 1, 2006, they must complete their training by no later than one year after their first day of service in public office.<sup>1</sup>

Subsequent Compliance Periods: After the initial training, each official must complete a training course once in each subsequent two-year period.

#### Learning Objectives

The Attorney General would encourage every course preparer to assure that his or her course content will satisfy the following desirable objectives:

- (1) Alert officials to the kinds of financial interests, relationships and/or activities that may either be prohibited or trigger disclosure or disqualification obligations under ethics laws described in Government Code section 53234(d).
- (2) Advise officials to 1) avoid prohibited activities, 2) comply with disclosure, disqualification and other affirmative ethics law requirements, and 3) consult with qualified legal counsel and/or regulatory authorities regarding the specifics of any situation that may involve prohibited or required conduct.
- (3) Note that ethics laws create minimum standards for ethical conduct by public officials; the public's expectations and ethics principles are likely to create a higher standard for behavior.
- (4) Advise participants of the legal and other consequences of violating ethics laws.
- (5) Include examples of conduct scenarios that are covered by the ethics laws in question.

Each local agency official who commences service with a local agency on or after January 1, 2006, shall receive the training required by subdivision (a) of Section 53235 no later than one year from the first day of service with the local agency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Government Code section 53235.1(b) provides as follows:

## **Proof of Participation**

Government Code section 53235.2 requires local agency officials to maintain records that indicate both the dates of training and the entity that provided the training. These records are disclosable public records and must be maintained for five years after the training.

#### **Melody Lane**

From:

Melody Lane <melody.lane@reagan.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, April 09, 2013 8:14 AM

To:

'Chris Daley'

Cc:

Richard Esposito; Mike Raffety; Terri Daly; Coleen Johnson; bosfive@edcgov.us;

bosone@edcgov.us; bosthree@edcgov.us; bostwo@edcgov.us; 'Ron Briggs'

Subject:

Bullying and Other Forms of Harassment

Attachments:

News Release COMPAS 11-12-09.doc

Mr. Daley,

Please accept my apologies for the delay in replying to your last email. The issues you brought up deserve the courtesy of a response. The following points may serve to crystallize your understanding. BTW, it may help to know I have over 15 years of experience as an HR professional dealing with employment law.

- 1. I acknowledged the unintentional misspelling your name as an honest mistake. The deliberate misspelling of my name "Meladie Lame" in your email and other denigrating comments were insulting, harassing and professionally unethical.
- 2. Word gets around quickly in this neck of the woods. You've already earned an unwholesome reputation for biased reporting. Many citizens, women particularly, have refused interviews due to your arrogantly demeaning attitude and what appears to be intentional misrepresentation of the facts. The media calls such reporting "smear tactics" and "trash journalism." Could that be one explanation why "California's Oldest Newspaper" is shrinking into obscurity???
- 3. Further, it raises questions about your motives and the probable stakeholders that may be applying political pressure for the Mtn. Demo to tailor articles in a more favorable, but false light. That's why most of us conservatives are choosing alternative news sources to the so-called "mainstream media" which generally functions to create public support for globalized Communism.
- 5. The BOS and Richard Esposito were notified for reasons described in #4 above. Additionally I would presume the Mtn. Demo has policies & procedures prohibiting the use of company equipment for such purposes. Appears it's high time for another talk with your boss to discuss ethics, accountability and remedial HR action(s).

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- 6. Regarding the Gold Discovery Park Association (GDPA) & River Management Advisory Committee (RMAC) "hit pieces" that you referred to subsequent to the distribution of the attached COMPAS news release, it would behoove you to carefully examine the mission, goals and purpose of our organization. Compass2Truth is a Watchdog organization. Our primary purpose is to "blow the whistle" on malfeasance of the Marshall Gold Discovery Park, CA State Parks and RMAC as well as Brown Act violations. Both your biased articles totally missed the mark.
- 7. You'll recall the interview at the Mtn. Demo when I provided the audio of the GDPA meeting. You falsely printed a disclaimer, "...While there are a few moments of loud, indistinct yelling, without a written transcript it was difficult to ascertain just who was calling whom a liar or using other perhaps slanderous terms." You'll recall I identified for you each person speaking, every word was perfectly audible and there was no yelling whatsoever. What—or who—influenced you to resort to falsehood and unethical smear tactics???
- 8. A formal complaint was filed with CA State Parks personnel concerning the inappropriate conduct of former MGDP Superintendent Gary Lyons during the GDPA incident (#7 above). Like you, Mr. Lyons sent me a very inappropriate email and was persuaded to resign his position shortly thereafter. Just a few months prior Mr. Lyons had been promoted into his position replacing the former Park Superintendent Mark Gibson who'd also been removed from his position for similar reasons. The Mtn. Democrat may be interested to know Compass2Truth has been very involved in the unfolding CA State Parks scandal associated with Director Ruth Coleman's exit as well. Lots of potential for the right media investigator to dig into...
- 9. Concerning the May 2010 RMAC meeting you attended with Supervisor Briggs and County Counsel Mike Ciccozzi, did they explain to you how the Cal Aware consultant-journalist that accompanied me had laid down the CA Brown Act Manual on the table during the March 2010 RMAC meeting? Other RMAC improprieties had similarly been witnessed as well as audio and professionally video-taped by COMPAS constituents. This material was made readily available when the 2010 Grand Jury complaint was formally filed by COMPAS against RMAC naming Supervisor Briggs as the primary contact. Now there's another story for the media to follow up on...
- 10. As for your remarks about "bullying and attempts at intimidation"—again, refer to #6 above. *Compass2Truth* is a *Watchdog organization*. Watchdogs bark when something is amiss, and when necessary will apply their teeth to ensure conformity with the law.
- 11. Concerning your remark, "And you expect what, that I'll be reprimanded, lose some pay or be fired?" Should your employer desire to restore public credibility as a conservative newspaper, at the very least disciplinary action will be taken by the HR Department to remedy the matter. We pray Mr. Esposito chooses to do the "right thing" and handles this correspondence with integrity.

I hope this addresses your concerns.

Regards,

# Melody Lane

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"We, the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts not to overthrow the Constitution, but to overthrow men who pervert the Constitution." ~ Abraham Lincoln ~

From: Chris Daley [mailto:cdaley@mtdemocrat.net]

Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 11:45 AM

To: Melody Lane

Subject: Your latest email

Ms. Lane,

Your apology and well wishes are appreciated.

I'm not sure how or why you are equating a private email message with a published news article. Sure I made fun of your name - only because you sent me an unsolicited email misspelling my name and casting aspersions on my reporting competence - "As expected, reporter Cris Daly, etc. etc."

I responded to you and only you. I didn't send copies to anyone else nor would I have any reason to do so. You, on the other hand, sent copies of your nonsense to many other people. For what reason I can't imagine.

Your bullying and attempts at intimidation are just laughable. You're going to tell my boss that I responded with "biting sarcasm" to your snarky, unsolicited email to me? Compared to your pubic abuse of me at numerous BOS meetings, your outrage at my changing a couple of letters in your name in a private communication seems rather puny and petty.

And you expect what, that I'll be reprimanded, lose some pay or be fired?

I well remember those earlier stories - not as hit pieces but as legitimate reporting of events as they were related to me by numerous others (GDPA) or were witnessed by me (RMAC).

For your reference from your email of Feb. 13:

"You remember the nasty "hit pieces" you wrote about me stemming from the GDPA & RMAC meetings when the 2009 news release was initially distributed, don't you? That was the purpose of our meetings with Publisher Richard Esposito. Sounds like it is time to schedule another little talk with Richard.

From now on when mentioning my name, keep it factual and honestly unbiased. That way you won't need to worry about further marring the reputation of "California's oldest newspaper."

From now on, as always, I will be factual and honestly unbiased, if and when I mention your name. And, from now on, if you send me insulting, unsolicited emails, I will respond with equal insult.

#### CD

p.s. I've never been worried about "marring the reputation of California's oldest newspaper" and don't plan to start now.

From: Melody Lane [mailto:melody.lane@reagan.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 12:59 PM

To: 'Chris Daley'

Cc: Richard Esposito; Mike Raffety; Terri Daly; Kimberly Kerr; Jeremy McReynolds; Don Spear; bosfive@edcgov.us;

bosone@edcgov.us; bosthree@edcgov.us; bostwo@edcgov.us; 'Ron Briggs'

Subject: RE: Mt. Murphy Road Bridge - DOT/CIP Mtn. Demo Article

Mr. Daley,

My sincere apologies for misspelling your name. Between multiple communications with <u>Cris</u> Alarcon and CAO Terri <u>Daly</u>, I hope you can see it was an unintentional mistake derived from too many meetings.

However that is no excuse for your biting sarcasm.

We had a very productive meeting yesterday with Supervisor Briggs and county staff regarding DOT-CIP matters relevant to the attached *COMPAS* news release (now **Compass2Truth**).

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Best wishes for a rapid recovery from your illness.

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From: Chris Daley [mailto:cdaley@mtdemocrat.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 11:49 AM

To: Melody Lane

Subject: Re: Mt. Murphy Road Bridge - DOT/CIP Mtn. Demo Article

Meladie Lame - You can find the correct spelling of my name all over the Mtn. Democrat. When I refer to you or quote you, I will never intentionally misspell your name.

I've been ill and off work for much of the past week, so I'm playing catch up now. However, I thought the bridge element of the CIP was worth a separate story but did not have time to get it done last week. I expect to devote some time to it in the near future.

CD

On Feb 10, 2013, at 1:03 PM, Melody Lane wrote:

The attached article appeared in Friday's Mtn. Democrat relevant to last Tuesday's BOS meeting, Item #17 = DOT Capital Improvement Program (also accessible via this

link): http://www.mtdemocrat.com/news/supes-get-look-see-at-road-plans/

In all likelihood this article will disappear by Monday from the on-line edition of the Mtn. Demo.

Below is the link to the 2/5/13 BOS meeting. Click on Item #17 beneath the video menu to view what actually transpired: http://eldorado.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view\_id=2&clip\_id=161

This was scheduled to be a one-hour item. Note Supervisor Mikulaco dominated the majority of what was drawn out to last three and a half hours causing citizens to leave before Chairman Briggs permitted the public to make comments.

As expected, reporter Cris Daly mentioned nothing about the Mt. Murphy Rd. Bridge comments or other 3 projects that are major CIP expenditures impacting the Marshall Gold Discovery Historic State Park region. All 4 Coloma-Lotus CIP projects mentioned are central to the Highway 49 realignment which is a "done deal" as expressed Thursday evening during the Mt. Murphy Road Bridge meeting held at Coloma Grange Hall where ~130 citizens lined the walls. Three of these bridges are listed on the 5-year CIP implementation plan, but the Hwy. 49 realignment schedule is nowhere mentioned amongst reams of documents.

Many of you have witnessed the this Delphi technique during the BLM, Sierra-Cascades Dialogs, Cronan Ranch and Kanaka Valley meetings. Public comments are censored in order to fit the desired outcome which has already been pre-determined by the hosts.

Related community concerns about fiduciary responsibility of our elected representatives have been expressed during meetings with Sheriff D'Agostini, county staff, CA State Parks personnel and legislators.

During one of our meetings Constitutional Sheriff D'Agostini remarked, "You need a new Board of Supervisors. All of them. Hold their feet to the fire. Mine too. I work for you."

The lack of transparency & accountability central to District #4 is the purpose of our Wednesday, Feb. 13 meeting with Supervisor Briggs, Asst. CAO Kim Kerr and DOT Director Don Spear. This is a meeting Supervisor Briggs deliberately avoided for nearly 4 years when COMPAS initially became involved.

It has come to our attention that Supervisor Briggs' plan is to implement a whitewater park in Lotus which will turn the Quiet Zone of the American River into a virtual Disneyland on steroids. This is intended to be his "legacy" when he leaves office in 2014, but it has been intentionally obfuscated and diverted from the public eye.

Additionally Environmental Management and RMAC representatives have been falsifying minutes and/or avoiding response to public inquiries about the Water Park project requiring road/bridge upgrades, parking, CEQA and numerous other planning issues.

Evidence indicates that EDC simply does <u>not</u> have the resources or infrastructure to support such a CIP expenditure. Additionally the projects will negatively impact our RURAL quality of life and property values. The eminent domain, private property easements, lack of code or law enforcement and diminishing property values also factor into the bigger picture known as Sustainable Development (Agenda 21).

To quote the founder of Defend Rural America, "If you want a Constitutional county, you must be prepared to be confrontational."

Therefore citizens need to <u>firmly yet respectfully</u> voice their concerns <u>directly to the Board of Supervisors</u> about preserving our historic rural community and quality of life. This link provides the BOS contact info: <a href="http://dx.new.org/ntmp">http</a>

://www.edcgov.us/BOS/

If you have the time and fortitude, speak up in front of the BOS during Public Forum or specific agenda items, Tuesday mornings at 9:00 AM, 330 Fair Lane in Placerville. The BOS calendar is available via this link: <a href="http://eldorado.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx">http://eldorado.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx</a>

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From: Bernard Carlson < 1bcc@comcast.net>

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Sent: Sunday, January 27, 2013 3:19 PM

Subject: RE: OUTBURST

Amen! That kind of input from her (or anyone) is a detriment to our purpose and organization.

Bernard

From: Bill George [mailto:bgeorge49@reagan.com]

Sent: Saturday, January 26, 2013 3:24 PM

To: 'Karl Weiland'; 'al hamilton'

Cc: 'Bernard Carlson'; james alderink@yahoo.com; bcarey123@hotmail.com; 'Larren Calderwood';

ellendaypriderealty@yahoo.com; 'al hamilton'; rgkringel@gmail.com; goeagle@directcon.net;

artmarinaccio@hotmail.com; hjnorris@pacbell.net; 'Stan B Paolini'; echolanellc@aol.com; david.smythe@sbcglobal.net;

jgstlz@directcon.net **Subject:** RE: OUTBURST

I second the motion!

Bill

From: Karl Weiland [mailto:karl.weiland@edcgov.us]

Sent: Saturday, January 26, 2013 13:51

To: al hamilton

Cc: Bernard Carlson; james\_alderink@yahoo.com; bcarey123@hotmail.com; Larren Calderwood;

ellendaypriderealty@yahoo.com; bgeorge49@reagan.com; al hamilton; rgkringel@gmail.com; goeagle@directcon.net; artmarinaccio@hotmail.com; hjnorris@pacbell.net; Stan B Paolini; echolanellc@aol.com; david.smythe@sbcglobal.net; jgstlz@directcon.net

Subject: Re: OUTBURST

So Moved!!

On Wed, Jan 23, 2013 at 9:06 AM, al hamilton < hamilton@twinwolf.net > wrote:

The outburst that I caused by denying Melody Lane the opportunity to read her prerecorded expose of the County shortfalls with respect to the American River and her property in Coloma was my effort to draw a line in the sand beyond which our members and guests may not cross.

The Taxpayers is not a forum for every misguided person the castigate our speakers for problems the speaker has no cortrol over or even an interest in. It is a forum to investigate and report to the taxpayers of our County issues that are of great importance to us. The Melody Lane's of this county cause road blocks to our goals and provide no service or value to our cause. Actually she has made so much noise that she is being ignored by all. This has been pointed out to her in writing in the past to no avail.

Her approach should be to hire a competent attorney and sue the people that she thinks are abusing her. And from what I understand she has tried this approach and lost at least in front of Pat Reiley, Judge.

I look for advice on how to solve this time wasting problem. Thanks,

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al hamilton esq



# Compass2Truth

# Citizens Serving God in Truth and Liberty

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March 18, 2013

Taxpayers Association of El Dorado County c/o Al Hamilton, President P.O. Box 13 Placerville, CA 95667

#### NOTICE AND DEMAND

RE: Taxpayers Association Bylaws, Policies & Procedures, Standing Rules, Resolutions and all applicable Federal, State & local laws, codes, regulations and ordinances

Mr. Hamilton,

There seems to be an apparent Conspiracy Against Rights, 18 U.S.C. § 241, concerning a member in good standing of the Association.

You are hereby given a 14-day NOTICE from the date of this correspondence to comply with the DEMAND to respond to the 11 specific issues delineated in the document publicly presented to you during the January 28<sup>th</sup> Tax Payers Association meeting.

- I, Melody Lane, and others further DEMAND explanation for the slanderous email distributed to the TPA Directors, dated January Wed, Jan 23, 2013 at 9:06 AM attached at the end of this correspondence.
  - 1. Whom exactly do you represent: Bernard Carlson, the EDC Tax Payers Association, or we the people of El Dorado County?
  - 2. Who is the individual at the source of this libelous HATE MAIL CAMPAIGN against TPA members in good standing?
  - 3. What would be the motive to act in such a discriminating manner as judge, jury and executioner against a Christian evangelist and the founder of the citizen Watchdog organization, Compass2Truth?
  - 4. Is County Counsel or the CA State Bar Association supportive of your self-proclaimed 'dictatorship' and apparent total disregard for Roberts Rules of Order, Association Bylaws, Policies & Procedures, Resolutions and all applicable Federal, State & local laws, codes, regulations and ordinances?
  - 5. What is your justification for the "outburst that I (Al Hamilton) caused" in denying a members' First Amendment right to ask a question of a public employee, then cause a public scene by abruptly adjourning the January 14<sup>th</sup> TPA meeting?

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**Subject:** 

Tax Payers Assn. Notice & Demand

**Attachments:** 

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The attached 14-day Notice & Demand was delivered to Al Hamilton during Monday's Tax Payers meeting when Senator George Runner from the BOE was our guest speaker. Supervisors Nutting, Mikulaco and Veerkamp were present as was Jack Sweeney.

It should be noted that Bill George, Tax Assessor Karl Weiland and Bernard Carlson comprise the TPA Policies & Procedures Committee. I asked the status of the task they were assigned last August regarding:

- Conflict of Interest
- Records Retention
- Whistleblowers
- Midterm Director Replacement
- Non-discrimination.

This notice & demand stems from the January 14<sup>th</sup> incident when CAO Terri Daly and Asst. CAO Kim Kerr where our guest speakers. Before I could ask a question of the speakers, Al Hamilton jumped to conclusions and denied my right to free speech by abruptly declaring the meeting adjourned: "I <u>am</u> a dictator...Meeting is adjourned... You're not going to ask any questions about your personal issues." Supervisors Mikulaco and Veerkamp and Jack Sweeney witnessed his apparently orchestrated outburst.

This matter is deserving of the attention of the BOS since it has potential for litigation involving discriminating and unethical conduct of at least two EDC public employees:

Senior Legal Services Attorney Al Hamilton and Tax Assessor Karl Weiland.

The BOS will find this relevant to the materials I submitted yesterday during Open Forum as well as Item #3 - Mt. Murphy Bridge CIP. Such issues concerning all EDC citizens have been the topic of our meetings held with CA State Parks personnel, Roger Trout, Sheriff D'Agostini and legislators.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in dealing transparently with this matter as befitting your oaths of office and to the citizens of EDC.

Respectfully,

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"We, the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the courts

not to overthrow the Constitution, but to overthrow men who pervert the Constitution." ~ Abraham Lincoln ~