

Bailey, Jill K.

From: Parnacott, Robert
Sent: Friday, June 07, 2013 8:31 AM
To: Bailey, Jill K.
Subject: FW: Further documentation for County Commissioners

Please include the entire email received from Mr. Fluker as part of the written submissions for the de-annexation hearing. Thanks.

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From: Jacques Fluker [<mailto:jfluker@pixius.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 8:30 PM
To: Parnacott, Robert
Subject: Further documentation for County Commissioners

Robert

I felt this email was too important not to be brought to the attention of the County Commissioners. Nothing was mentioned about a limit on the number of documents that can be presented. I wanted the commissioners to see the actual email from Kate Jackson, not just a cut and paste. I am working on a formal response in letter form.

In an effort to manage this process, Sam Herr and I agreed to collect letters and bring them to the Clerk's office if that would help the homeowners.

Also, I hesitated to socialize this because Kate Jackson was still in town at the time and I really did not want to add to the stress. Kate Jackson and I are not friends and I only know her from being our representative. I don't always agree with her votes, but we are adults and we agree to disagree. She has carried a lot of water for us and looked after our best interests.

I believe the email from Kate Jackson below, dated April 17, 2013, goes to the heart of the problem we have faced over the years, are facing now and certainly will face with Valley Center government depending on how the County Commission vote turns out.

The attitude of Joel Pile permeates the entire Valley Center City Council, Police Department and Department of Public Works.

In all fairness, we are not the only group of people treated this way in Valley Center. I had suggested in an email to Mr. Ranzau

that he attend the May 21st, 2013 City Council meeting regarding the vote on the service plan. I wanted Mr. Ranzau to hear

how the council spoke about issues, to people and also note their body language. In my testimony this week, that was the

meeting where a council women said we were whining.

Robert,

I would ask that you advise me if this can or cannot be submitted. I believe Mr. Ranzau along with the other commissioners want

to know exactly what is behind some of the comments made by Joel Pile.

Note: I am not trying to bully anyone ☺

I just couldn't help myself Robert.

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From: Kate Jackson [<mailto:katejacksonward4@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Sunday, April 21, 2013 9:24 PM
To: Jacques Fluker
Subject: Re: Council

Jacques: The mayor has announced he is taking applications up to May 3rd for the open position for ward 4. Now is the time if you know anyone who is interested to send in a resume. Meetings are twice a month and pay \$25 per meeting. The annexed areas desperately need a voice on the council (and not Kristy Bruns).

Kate Jackson
Valley Center City Council Ward 4

From: Kate Jackson [<mailto:katejacksonward4@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2013 4:28 PM
To: Jacques Fluker
Subject: Council

Jacques: Thank you for attending the meeting last night. I didn't see you when I left and don't know if you stayed for the entire meeting. There was no winning on the wetland Park Trail. The other issue on the agenda that affected annexed areas was the animal fees. The animal ordinance was revised two weeks ago and council was never given a line by line list of what was changing, even though Al and myself both asked. We were told it was too complex for us to understand. Al referred to it as a Trojan Horse and asked what they were hiding. Well, the horse was exposed last night. The new fees were voted on. Supposedly due to increase in costs all fees had to be raised, but the only ones that were raised are for horses, cattle, livestock and chickens. These only affect the annexed areas and were increased 5- 10 fold. A chicken permit was 2.50 and was raised to 25.00 per chicken, horse and livestock \$25 to \$125 per animal. After much debate the fees were lowered to just triple, with horses/livestock now \$75 and chickens \$15, and that was still a 4/4 vote with the mayor breaking the tie.

Staff will not and cannot answer questions. Information that is provided is inaccurate and at times completely false. I've fought hard for 6 years and it has taken a great toll on my health. My husband and I planned on moving to Utah at the end of my term but after losing my job in February we decided to go ahead and retire early and enjoy the time we can. I quit the council last night--he will leave the planning commission next week. I do not feel happy about this and have great regrets in leaving those that I wanted to help, but it has become impossible to work within the current system and I don't have the energy it will take to wait another two years. Thank you for your support over the years.

I will still help in anyway that I can. Mr. Herr has asked to speak with me in regards to the de-annex issue. I've already had many conversations

with commissioners Skelton, Peterjohn and Ranzau. This new issue with tighter animal controls and fees for annexed areas will aid somewhat in that it shows an inequality within the city/annexed areas.

Again, Thank you for your support. Kate

Kate Jackson
Valley Center City Council Ward 4