

GUEST OPINION

The truth behind 6,000 emails

Emails have been awaiting German's inspection for weeks

By Angie Van Scyoc

Much has been said in this newspaper about my 6,000 emails, which span six months' time, as requested by Supervisor Everett German. Supervisor German has been quoted saying he asked me for them and I refused; that is a false statement, which he admitted as false at our Town Board meeting February 14 with a Freeman reporter present. Supervisor German has been quoted as saying he had to hire attorney Paul Bucher to force my hand on releasing the emails; that is a false statement as he admitted hiring Bucher before asking me for the emails.

He has been quoted as saying that I am stalling; the fact is he is the only one stalling.

The email documents have been at the Town Hall waiting for him since Jan. 18, now over one month. Supervisor German has not made any effort to view them.

I want these emails read by Supervisor German as soon as possible. I want them read by Supervisor German unredacted so we save the town money. He has refused time and time again. The correspondence between his attorney and our town attorney proves it; correspondence in our board packets which are posted to our website proves it. He has broken every agreement which facilitated him coming to review them at no cost to the town.

The most recent opportunity was this past Monday. Supervisor German claimed that the 30 hours previously made available by our clerk was not sufficient. We offered and Supervisor German accepted that we would provide full days of viewing for him. Our town attorney provided one of his staff at the very reasonable rate of \$30 per hour. This individual is an attorney and thereby a capable and trustworthy choice and made the commitment to come in every day, all day for Supervisor German until he was through. These documents contain legal strategy and human resources information that we are required to keep confidential. Supervisor German has released sensitive documents and information in the past and thereby proven himself incapable of respecting safeguards which protect the Town of Waukesha.

Supervisor German refused to look at the emails yet again. Emails there, ready for him since Jan. 18 and yet he claims yet again in this paper that we are somehow stalling. Come on.

Intelligent people see the truth. Politics are dirty and Supervisor German can perhaps make some extra income teaching others his methodology. He isn't running for my office but you wouldn't know it by his gyrations.

Spin, nothing but spin. The Town of Waukesha and our reputation suffers time after time. Everett German, time to stop.

Come in and read the emails. We haven't spent the \$150 per hour with the attorney yet. You can save the town a ton of money and find all those incriminating emails you keep telling us all about sooner rather than later. I need to be exposed as the scoundrel you have represented I am. Let's do it before the election so people can vote with all the facts.

Oh wait, you don't want to do that; you know there is nothing incriminating to find and then you can't sing your song anymore.

Come in, Supervisor German, any time, any day. We will be ready and waiting for you.

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