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It has been suggested by my attorney I let this "play out" but I dont do that. Please provide the warrant or the ORC you are denying under or have the Sherriff text me and explain why you cannot do what I am asking. Did I not just prove you should just listen to me? I know the law, you are not following it, follow it. I see no Laws being quoted on your denial and the warrant exists per the story in the paper and the police.

So either its ongoing or what? STATE THE LAW.

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Please provide the above so we can go to the Court and Sue the County for a copy... Appreciate you!

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Subject: Re: I am requesting the warrant request by
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Thank you,

Garon Petty

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Good morning, Mr. Petty. Are you
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office?

Thanks,

Kate Lenz, Dir. of Operations

Tom Orlando, Lorain Co. Clerk of Court

PH: 440.329.5297

E-mail: klenz@loraincounty.us

-----Original Message-----

From: Garon Petty
<garonpetty@roadrunner.com>

Sent: Saturday, January 18, 2025
10:12 AM

To: Sheriff Jack Hall
<jhall@loraincountysheriff.com>; Tony
Cillo <antcillo.cill@gmail.com>;
Jim_McCann
<Jim_McCann@cityoflorain.org>;
Riley, Patrick
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Bradley, Jack
<jack_bradley@cityoflorain.org>;
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Cc: Aaron Knapp
<a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Robert
J Gargasz <rigargasz@gmail.com>;
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Subject: I am requesting the warrant
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Lorain, Ohio

The Full and complete warrant request
served to Mercy Hospital during the
month of August 2024 per 149.43
ORC.

Garon Petty

Beko, Michele

From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2025 2:10 PM
To: Garon Petty
Cc: Jeff Graham; Barbie Washington; jferguson@lorainschools.org; cnazario@lorainschools.org; Mark Ballard; bsturgill@lorainschools.org; City Council Mail Group; Robert J Gargas; Dull, Breanna; Maggie_Partini@cityoflorain.org; Patrick Riley; Lorain Schools; Joseph LaVeck; Jackie Conrad; Lindsay Carr; Kathryn Kennedy; Elsebeth Baumgartner; ethics@ethics.ohio.gov; Tony Cillo; Natalio Rodriquez; VEK6173@aol.com; Denise Wilms; Dennis Flores; public Records Requests; Anthony Giardini (agiardini@gmplaw.com)
Subject: Re: Tony DiMacchia texting (ORC 121.22) during Lorain City Council Committee meeting

External sender <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Make sure you trust this sender before taking any actions.

While I have everyone's attention I'd like these emails as well:

I want to do a public records request for emails Superintendent Graham sent to Jan 14th. He sent one a few minutes after 2 and then another around 3. They are about the separation agreement and how the only person they are asking to stay one more year who is taking the incentive is the union president. The first email, was removed from the server.

I'd like to have copies of those as well please.

Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p),BSSW

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On Jan 22, 2025, at 13:40, Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com> wrote:

Thank you Superintendent!

Garon Petty

On Jan 22, 2025, at 1:29 PM, Jeff Graham <jgraham@lorainschools.org> wrote:

Thanks Aaron and Garon, our attorney has all of the information you've provided — we will follow his lead. Garon, I copied the appropriate people on this response to follow through on your public record request.

Jeff

On Jan 22, 2025, at 8:37 AM, Aaron Knapp
<a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com> wrote:

Isn't that what Dr. Graham stated?

I'm more concerned about your communications director acting in Dual Roles. That's a misdemeanor in the 1st and punishable by 6 months in jail and 1k fine.

You need to report that to the Ohio ethics commission. I've CC'd him in this email as you are obligated to report it once we tell you...you've been told.

Don't compound Mr. Dimacchia's mistake by breaking the law yourself. This is what happens when you let an alcoholic keep a sensitive job, they make mistakes that cost everyone.

Thank you!

Aaron Christopher Knapp, BSSW, LSW, CDCA
NASW Member ID: 886836612

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On Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 08:00:44 AM EST, Barbie Washington <bWASHINGTON@lorainschools.org> wrote:

Dear Mr. Knapp and Mr. Petty,

Thank you for your emails and inquiries. Dr. Graham, our Public Records Office, and/or our attorneys will handle your requests. Stay warm!

On Tue, Jan 21, 2025 at 12:46 PM Aaron Knapp
<a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com> wrote:

I'll be spending today going over the actual school employee handbook to ensure you failed to enter a dual role policy as required by State Ethics Law. If your attorney has done his due diligence I won't find it. Also if you failed to add one you are officially in violation of State Law. And that wasn't the only thing he sent, there was much, much more

typing. Stop lying.

I assume you have an advisory opinion from the Ethics Commission on Tony's Dual Role Status? Or are you just throwing Lawyers names out there and hoping they stick to the wall??? LOL! I'd like to request the response from the ethics commission on Tony's Dual role that you were mandated to get before he took both roles?

Dual Service Restrictions If a public school official or employee serves more than one public entity, the school official or employee should be aware that provisions within the Ethics Law place restrictions on the official's or employee's ability to act in certain matters and may even act as a bar to the dual service. These restrictions were examined in Advisory Opinion 91-006. In that formal advisory opinion, the Commission stated that dual service raises the issue of "compatibility" of public positions, and the Commission does not have the authority to issue opinions on compatibility. A public school official or employee who serves in more than one public position should contact the school board's legal advisor or the Ohio Attorney General's Office for more information pertaining to the compatibility of the public positions. If the positions are compatible, then several provisions of the Ethics Law may place restrictions on the school official's or employee's ability to act when serving in each position. In general, the school official or employee is prohibited from participating in matters in one public position in which the other public entity has a definite and direct financial interest. For example, in that same advisory opinion, the Commission stated that a school board member who also serves as a member of city council is prohibited from participating in matters before city council involving the potential grant of a tax abatement to a business located within the school district that the board member serves. The public school official or employee who serves more than one public agency should also be aware that if there are contracts between the public entities he or she serves, additional restrictions will apply. Further, the school official or employee cannot represent one public entity before the other entity he or she serves. Finally, the school official or employee cannot disclose or use confidential information acquired while serving the public school or the other public entity he or she serves. In some situations, the result of the application of these prohibitions may, in effect, act as a complete bar to the dual service. In summary, dual service issues are fact-specific and sometimes complex, and a public school official or employee who serves more than one public entity should seek advice from local counsel for the school board and/or from the Ohio Attorney General's Office and the Ohio Ethics Commission.

R.C. 102.03 (D) provides: No public official or employee shall use or authorize the use of the authority or influence of his office or employment to secure anything of value or the promise or offer of anything of value that is of such character as to manifest a substantial and improper influence upon him with respect to his duties. The term "public official or employee" is defined for purposes of R.C. 102.03 to include any person who is elected or appointed to an office or is an employee of a city or any other governmental entity. See R.C. 102.01 (B) and (C). You are, as a member of city council, a "public official or employee" for purposes of R.C. 102.03. See Advisory Opinions No. 76-005, 88-004, 89-008, 90-004, and 91-002. You are also a "public official or employee" by virtue of your position as a school principal. The term "public official or employee" is defined in R.C. 102.01 (B), which reads in pertinent part: "Public official or employee" means any person who is elected or appointed to an office or is an employee of any public agency. . . . "Public official or employee" does not include a person who is a teacher, instructor, professor, or other kind of educator whose position does not involve the performance of, or authority to perform,

administrative or supervisory functions. (Emphasis added.) The term "public agency" is defined in R.C. 102.01 (C), which reads in pertinent part: Advisory Opinion Number 91-006 Page 3 "Public agency" means the general assembly, all courts, any department, division, institution, board, commission, authority, bureau or other instrumentality of the state, a county, city, village, township, and the five state retirement systems, or any other governmental entity. The Ethics Commission has held that a school district is a governmental entity, and thus a "public agency" for purposes of Chapter 102. See Advisory Opinions No. 75-020 and 78-002. A principal of a school is appointed by the board of education of a local school district pursuant to R.C. 3319.02, which states in pertinent part: The board of education shall execute a written contract of employment with each assistant superintendent, principal, assistant principal, and other administrator it employs or reemploys. . . . The contract shall specify the employee's administrative position and duties, the salary and other compensation to be paid. (Emphasis added.) Therefore, as an elementary school principal employed by a local school district you hold an administrative position; you are not a teacher, instructor, professor, or educator whose position falls outside the statutory definition of "public official or employee." Consequently, you are also a "public official or employee" due to your serving the school district as a principal. See Advisory Opinion No. 78-002.

You are subject to the provisions of R.C. 102.03 in both capacities as a city council member and as a school principal. However, since you specifically asked the Ethics Commission to address the restrictions which the Ethics Law and related statutes impose upon you as a city council member, this opinion will not discuss the restrictions imposed upon you as a school district employee. If issues arise in which you, as a school district employee, could affect the interests of the city or your interests as a city council member, then you should request guidance from the Ethics Commission before taking any action.

In Advisory Opinion No. 85-006 the Ethics Commission held that a public official or employee is prohibited from participating in matters which would provide a particular and definite pecuniary benefit to property in which he has an interest. See also Advisory Opinion No. 80-007. Am. Sub. H.B. 300 amended R.C. 102.03 (D) to delete the requirement that the thing of value be for the public official or employee himself, thus broadening the scope of the prohibition of R.C. 102.03 (D). See Advisory Opinions No. 87-004, 88-004, and 88-005. However, R.C.

Your attention is also directed to Section 102.04 (C) which reads as follows: (C) Except as provided in division (D) of this section, no person who is elected or appointed to an office of or employed by a county, township, municipal corporation, or any other governmental entity, excluding the courts, shall receive or agree to receive directly or indirectly compensation other than from the agency with which he serves for any service rendered or to be rendered by him personally in any case, proceeding, application, or other matter which is before any agency, department, board, bureau, commission, or other instrumentality, excluding the courts, of the entity of which he is an officer or employee. (Emphasis added.)

PLEASE READ THE ABOVE AND RETHINK YOUR POSITION.

Dual Service Restrictions Further, the school official or employee cannot represent one public entity before the other entity he or she serves. Finally,

the school official or employee cannot disclose or use confidential information acquired while serving the public school or the other public entity he or she serves.

<https://ethics.ohio.gov/education/factsheets/PublicSchoolsEthicsToolkit.pdf>

Aaron Christopher Knapp, BSSW, LSW, CDCA
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On Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 11:59:43 AM EST, Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com> wrote:

Honorable Lorain City School board of education,

During the January 13, 2024 Lorain City council committee meeting, Director of Operations of Lorain City Schools, Tony DiMacchia was seen on the meeting on demand texting about LCS business. This is a violation of the Sunshine Laws of Ohio. He admits to texting.

I would like his actions investigated for possible violations of Lorain City Schools policies if any, Lorain city council rule 3, Ohio open meetings act 121.22, Ohio Education rules and policies and any Ohio law violations.

Thank you for a prompt response.

Garon Petty

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Barbie

440-522-1887

Beko, Michele

From: Beko, Michele <Michele.Beko@cityoflorain.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 9:52 AM
To: Garon Petty
Cc: klenz@loraincounty.us
Subject: RE: I am requesting the warrant request by Lorain Police Chief James McCann to Mercy health hospital in Lorain, Ohio

On behalf of Law Director Riley -

Mr. Petty,

On January 21, 2025, you issued a group email requesting certain public records described as "the warrant request by Lorain Police Chief James McCann to Mercy Health Hospital in Lorain, Ohio." This request is unclear and must be clarified before the requested public records can be identified and a determination made regarding disclosure. Nonetheless, please be informed that this office has no records regarding a "warrant" & Mercy Health Hospital in Lorain, Ohio." You may wish to direct your request to the Office of the Lorain County Prosecutor.

- Law

Director Riley

Michele T. Beko
Administrative Asst/Office Manager
Lorain Law Director's Office
200 West Erie Avenue, 3rd floor
Lorain, OH 44052
440.204.2250
Michele_beko@cityoflorain.org

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From: Kate Lenz <klenz@loraincounty.us>
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2025 3:27 PM
To: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Cc: Sheriff Jack Hall <jhall@loraincountysheriff.com>; Tony Cillo <antcillo.cill@gmail.com>; McCann, James - Chief <Jim_McCann@cityoflorain.org>; Riley, Patrick <Patrick_Riley@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <Jack_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; lcp@lcprosecutor.org
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Warning: Unusual sender <klenz@loraincounty.us>

You don't usually receive emails from this address.
Make sure you trust this sender before taking any actions.

Mr. Petty, it doesn't appear that we have any records available for public access that are responsive to your request.

Have a good afternoon,
Kate Lenz, Dir. of Operations
Tom Orlando, Lorain Co. Clerk of Court
PH: 440.329.5297
E-mail: klenz@loraincounty.us

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Thank you.

> On Jan 21, 2025, at 8:44 AM, Kate Lenz <klenz@loraincounty.us> wrote:

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> Thank you. We'll check on this and get back to you. K

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>> Garon Petty
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Beko, Michele

From: Jeff Riddell <jriddell@loraincounty.us>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2025 9:07 AM
To: Robert J. Gargas; Joe K Auditor; Lori Kokoski; Rey Carrion; Bradley, Jack; Patrick Riley; Don Zaleski; Joel Arredondo; City Group; Rocky Radeff; Jacob Morris; Jim_McCann
Cc: Anita_Harper@cityoflorain.org; Andrew Geronimo JD; Aaron Knapp; Tom Niewulis; Mike Mason; Brad Dicken; Brian Ames; Carissa Woytach; VEK6173@aol.com; Natalio Rodriquez; Jackie Conrad; Kathryn Kennedy; Kirsten Hill; Monica D. Pluta; Craig Snodgrass; David J Moore; Marty Gallagher; Michael Scherach; Mike Doran; Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores; Linda Rivera; Denise Wilms; Jim Renacci; jeanne Petty; sandemeilander@yahoo.com; David Yost AG
Subject: RE: Records Requests for contracts.

Warning: Unusual sender <jriddell@loraincounty.us>

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The county Commissioners are not party to or custodian off any contracts between City of Lorain and any entities other than the few between the City of Lorain and the County of Lorain

From: Robert J. Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 4:25 PM
To: Joe K Auditor <Joe_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>; Lori Kokoski <lori_kokoski@cityoflorain.org>; Rey Carrion <rey_carrion@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <jack_bradley@cityoflorain.org>; Patrick Riley <patrick_riley@cityoflorain.org>; Don Zaleski <don_zaleski@cityoflorain.org>; Joel Arredondo <joel_arredondo@cityoflorain.org>; City Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Rocky Radeff <Rocky_Radeff@cityoflorain.org>; Jacob Morris <Jacob_Morris@cityoflorain.org>; Jim_McCann <Jim_McCann@cityoflorain.org>
Cc: Anita_Harper@cityoflorain.org; Andrew Geronimo JD <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>; Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>; Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>; Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>; VEK6173@aol.com; Natalio Rodriquez <natalio@centurytel.net>; Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>; Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>; Kirsten Hill <kirsten@kirstenhill.com>; Monica D. Pluta <Monica.Pluta@lcprosecutor.org>; Craig Snodgrass <auditor@loraincounty.com>; David J Moore <DMoore@loraincounty.us>; Jeff Riddell <jriddell@loraincounty.us>; Marty Gallagher <mgallagher@loraincounty.us>; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Mike Doran <mikedoran@mikedoran.com>; Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>; Linda Rivera <nrivera25594@gmail.com>; Denise Wilms <denisewilms@aol.com>; Jim Renacci <jrenacci@gmail.com>; jeanne Petty <jeanne_810@yahoo.com>; sandemeilander@yahoo.com; David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Records Requests for contracts.

ALL

Garon had requested city contracts Lorain has with Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.

Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.

As you are or may be a custodian of such records please provide them as requested by Mr. Petty.

The response provided by the Law Department is not adequate as it should have been referred to the appropriate custodian of the appropriate records.

The service director and auditor should each be a repository of such public records, correct?

Please respond to Mr. Petty.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Date: January 28, 2025 at 3:38:00 PM EST
To: Lindsay Carr <Lindsay.Carr@ohioago.gov>, lcp@lcprosecutor.org,
NortheastRegion@ohioauditor.gov
Cc: "Harper, Anita" <Anita_Harper@cityoflorain.org>, "Andrew Geronimo, JD" <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>, Robert J Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>, Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>, Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>, Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>, Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>, Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>, Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>, VEK6173@aol.com, Natalio Rodriguez <natalio@centurytel.net>, Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>, Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>, Kirsten Hill <kirsten@kirstenhill.com>, "Monica D. Pluta" <Monica.Pluta@lcprosecutor.org>, Craig Snodgrass <auditor@loraincounty.com>, David J Moore <DMoore@loraincounty.us>, jriddell@loraincounty.us, mgallagher@loraincounty.us, Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>, Mike Doran <mikedoran@mikedoran.com>, Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank, Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>, Linda Rivera <nrivera25594@gmail.com>, Denise Wilms <denisewilms@aol.com>, Jim Renacci <jrenacci@gmail.com>, jeanne Petty <jeanne_810@yahoo.com>, sandemeilander@yahoo.com, David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>
Subject: Records Requests for contracts.

Hello Ms Carr, Lorain County Prosecutor and Northeast Region of Ohio Auditor,

I am now asking for an investigation why I cant get my records request fulfilled from the City of Lorain, Ohio?

Hello, please send me a list of all contracts the city of Lorain, Ohio has with the city of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.
Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.
Thank You
Garon Petty January 17, 2025

"Mr. Petty,

Please be informed that this office is not the keeper of any documents which constitute

"a list of all contracts the City of Lorain has with the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio and monetary contracts lists." You may wish to contact the Utilities Dept.

Law Director Riley" January 27, 2025

Help us in Lorain, Ohio please,
Garon Petty

Beko, Michele

From: Koziura, Joseph <Joe_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2025 10:18 AM
To: Robert J. Gargas; Kokoski, Lori; Carrion, Rey; Bradley, Jack; Riley, Patrick; Zaleski, Don; Arredondo, Joel; City Council Mail Group; Radeff, Rocky; Morris, Jacob; McCann, James - Chief
Cc: Harper, Anita; Andrew Geronimo JD; Aaron Knapp; Tom Niewulis; Mike Mason; Brad Dicken; Brian Ames; Carissa Woytach; VEK6173@aol.com; Natalio Rodriquez; Jackie Conrad; Kathryn Kennedy; Kirsten Hill; Monica D. Pluta; Craig Snodgrass; David J Moore; jriddell@loraincounty.us; mgallagher@loraincounty.us; Michael Scherach; Mike Doran; Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores; Linda Rivera; Denise Wilms; Jim Renacci; jeanne Petty; sandemeilander@yahoo.com; David Yost AG
Subject: RE: Records Requests for contracts.

To all concerned,

The following items are the only contracts that this office is aware of, at this time, concerning the cities of Lorain and Sheffield Lake.

Mutual Aide for Safety Forces

Water Pollution Control (Sewage Services)

Regards,

Joe

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Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 4:25 PM
To: Koziura, Joseph <Joe_Koziura@cityoflorain.org>; Kokoski, Lori <Lori_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org>; Carrion, Rey <Rey_Carrion@cityoflorain.org>; Bradley, Jack <Jack_Bradley@cityoflorain.org>; Riley, Patrick <Patrick_Riley@cityoflorain.org>; Zaleski, Don <Don_Zaleski@cityoflorain.org>; Arredondo, Joel <joel_arredondo@cityoflorain.org>; City Council Mail Group <CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org>; Radeff, Rocky <Rocky_Radeff@cityoflorain.org>; Morris, Jacob <Jacob_Morris@cityoflorain.org>; McCann, James - Chief <Jim_McCann@cityoflorain.org>
Cc: Harper, Anita <Anita_Harper@cityoflorain.org>; Andrew Geronimo JD <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>; Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>; Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>; Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>; Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>; Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>; Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>; Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>; VEK6173@aol.com; Natalio Rodriquez <natalio@centurytel.net>; Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>; Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>; Kirsten Hill <kirsten@kirstenhill.com>; Monica D. Pluta <Monica.Pluta@lcprosecutor.org>; Craig Snodgrass <auditor@loraincounty.com>; David J Moore <DMoore@loraincounty.us>; jriddell@loraincounty.us; mgallagher@loraincounty.us; Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>; Mike Doran <mikedoran@mikedoran.com>; Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank; Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>; Linda Rivera <nrivera25594@gmail.com>; Denise Wilms <denisewilms@aol.com>; Jim Renacci <jrenacci@gmail.com>; jeanne Petty <jeanne_810@yahoo.com>; sandemeilander@yahoo.com; David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Records Requests for contracts.

External sender <rjgargas@gmail.com>

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ALL

Garon had requested city contracts Lorain has with Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.

Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.

As you are or may be a custodian of such records please provide them as requested by Mr. Petty.

The response provided by the Law Department is not adequate as it should have been referred to the appropriate custodian of the appropriate records.

The service director and auditor should each be a repository of such public records, correct?

Please respond to Mr. Petty.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>

Date: January 28, 2025 at 3:38:00 PM EST

To: Lindsay Carr <Lindsay.Carr@ohioago.gov>, lcp@lcprosecutor.org,
NortheastRegion@ohioauditor.gov

Cc: "Harper, Anita" <Anita_Harper@cityoflorain.org>, "Andrew Geronimo, JD" <andrew.geronimo@case.edu>, Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>, Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>, Tom Niewulis <tniewulis@ncdcs.com>, Mike Mason <Mike.Mason@woio.com>, Brad Dicken <BDicken@chroniclet.com>, Brian Ames <bmames00@gmail.com>, Carissa Woytach <cwoytach@chroniclet.com>, VEK6173@aol.com, Natalio Rodriquez <natalio@centurytel.net>, Jackie Conrad <botanist62@hotmail.com>, Kathryn Kennedy <kathrynkennedy627@gmail.com>, Kirsten Hill <kirsten@kirstenhill.com>, "Monica D. Pluta" <Monica.Pluta@lcprosecutor.org>, Craig Snodgrass <auditor@loraincounty.com>, David J Moore <DMoore@loraincounty.us>, jriddell@loraincounty.us, mgallagher@loraincounty.us, Michael Scherach <mjscherach.law@centurytel.net>, Mike Doran <mikedoran@mikedoran.com>, Mike.Brosky@fflorain.bank, Dennis Flores <dennisforlorain@gmail.com>, Linda Rivera <nrivera25594@gmail.com>, Denise Wilms <denisewilms@aol.com>, Jim Renacci <jrenacci@gmail.com>, Jeanne Petty <jeanne_810@yahoo.com>, sandemeilander@yahoo.com, David Yost AG <AGOCARES@ohioago.gov>

Subject: Records Requests for contracts.

Hello Ms Carr, Lorain County Prosecutor and Northeast Region of Ohio Auditor,

I am now asking for an investigation why I cant get my records request fulfilled from the City of Lorain, Ohio?

Hello, please send me a list of all contracts the city of Lorain, Ohio has with the city of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.
Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.
Thank You
Garon Petty January 17, 2025

"Mr. Petty,

Please be informed that this office is not the keeper of any documents which constitute "a list of all contracts the City of Lorain has with the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio and monetary contracts lists." You may wish to contact the Utilities Dept.

Law Director Riley" January 27, 2025

Help us in Lorain, Ohio please,
Garon Petty

Beko, Michele

From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 5:55 PM
To: Garon Petty
Cc: Kokoski, Lori; Robert J Gargas; Tony Cillo; Lindsay Carr; CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org; Joseph LaVeck; Patrick Riley; Brad Dicken; Jack Bradley; David Yost AG
Subject: Re: Names of all police Officers who have left Lorain PD

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So you are refusing to give us the names of these officers, correct?

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Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p),BSSW

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Garon Petty

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Thanks,

Lori

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Best Regards,

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Beko, Michele

From: Kokoski, Lori <Lori_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 9:15 AM
To: 'Aaron Knapp'; Garon Petty
Cc: Robert J Gargas; Tony Cillo; Lindsay Carr; City Council Mail Group; LaVeck, Joseph; Riley, Patrick; Brad Dicken; Bradley, Jack; David Yost AG
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Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 9:54 AM
To: CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org; Tony Cillo; Robert J. Gargas; Carissa Woytach; David O'Brien; Brad Dicken; Garon Petty; Jack Bradley; Patrick Riley; Rey Carrion; Jackie Conrad; Joseph LaVeck; Ted Kalo; Sheriff Jack Hall; akory@sheffieldlake.net; cityofsheffieldlake@gmail.com; rradeff@sheffieldlake.net; Lawdepartment@sheffieldlake.net; citycouncil@sheffieldlake.net; rosso@sheffieldlake.net; lstark@sheffieldlake.net; cpetrucci@sheffieldlake.net; wwtulich@sheffieldlake.net; rdebottis@sheffieldlake.net; cizl@sheffieldlake.net
Cc: BCICommunications@OhioAGO.gov; David Yost AG; ethics@ethics.ohio.gov; Sarah.Ackman@governor.ohio.gov; Jennifer.Brown@governor.ohio.gov; LECorrectionsRequests@OhioAGO.gov; Electronic_Dispositions@OhioAGO.gov; CCH_Corrections@OhioAGO.gov; president@whitehouse.gov; watchdog@oig.ohio.gov; skovach@sheffieldlake.net; rgee@sheffieldlake.net
Subject: Subject: Urgent: Ethical Concerns and Legal Compliance

External sender <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>

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Dear Government Officials and To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally address several ongoing concerns that I have raised previously, which, despite my efforts, have not been adequately resolved. The issues at hand include the following:

- Baez - Hatch Act Violations
- Dimacchai - Conflict of Interest/Dual Roles (Lorain city Council/Communications Director Lorain City Schools)
- Baez/Radefff - Voting Integrity
- Lori K - Nepotism and Dereliction of Duty (McCanns SSI and Middlebrooks file)
- Police Chief James McCann - Retaliation and Abuse of Power
- Carrion - Conflict of Interest/Dual Roles (councilperson vs safety director/investigator)
- Petticord - Revolving Door/Dual Roles (APA/Whatever he is doing now with an agency he was the lawyer for)

These issues remain unaddressed, and the pattern of neglect is increasingly concerning.

In particular, I want to highlight a critical issue with Councilperson Baez. The Ohio Attorney General has issued compatibility reports stating that it is incompatible for a full-time police officer to serve as a partisan candidate. Despite this clear guidance, the City of Lorain, Lorain City Council, Lorain City Law, and Sheffield Lake's Mayor and Police Chief have continued to allow Baez to hold dual roles without any investigation. This is

troubling, particularly since he continues to vote on laws and policies while in violation of the Attorney General's report and the HATCH ACT. He has voted to give his Boss Radeff a Raise with Federal ARPPA funds even after being advised of the ethical position it would put him in.

If you are on the City Council of Lorain or Sheffield Lake, or work for either, you are now ethically mandated to report these allegations.

As I have not received a satisfactory response, I have escalated these matters to the Ethics Commission and will be meeting with an investigator today. After that, I will continue to escalate the issue to the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), if necessary.

As mandated reporters, I expect that all of you will report the concerns outlined in my prior communications.

To Councilperson Baez: As my elected representative, you have an obligation to respond to me as a constituent. Regardless of personal feelings, I live in your ward, and you are required to address whether you are in compliance with the law. Please provide a clear response regarding your adherence to legal and ethical standards, particularly in relation to your position as a law enforcement officer.

I anticipate your prompt response and appropriate action.

Sincerely,

Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p), BSSW

Phone: 216-659-9899

4220 Talbot Ln

Lorain, Ohio 44055

I can provide all reports, emails and proof of myself addressing these issues through the appropriate channels with 0 response.

As a Disabled Veteran who is Service Connected I expected better from my Government Representatives. Some of you are newly added to this so if the shoes doubt fit, please don't wear them, I'd like it if someone could take this seriously for once.

Thank you for your time and make it a wonderful day!

Aaron Christopher Knapp, LSW, CDCA(p),BSSW

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From: Robert J. Gargasz <rjgargasz@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 6:27 AM
To: David Yost AG; Anthony Giardini; Lindsay Carr; Major Jack Hall; Tony Cillo; Aaron Knapp; Garon Petty; Michael Scherach; Jeanne Petty; Robert Gargasz; Americans for Independent Leadership; Jon Morrow; Major Steven Scharschmidt; Patrick Riley; Rey Carrion; Jack Bradley
Subject: Intel Agencies Caught in Massive Voter Fraud – Dr. Jerome Corsi | Greg Hunter's USAWatchdog

External sender <rjgargasz@gmail.com>

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<https://usawatchdog.com/intel-agencies-caught-in-massive-voter-fraud-dr-jerome-corsi/>

Sent from my iPhone

Beko, Michele

From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 11:21 AM
To: Garon Petty; Joseph LaVeck; Patrick Riley; CityCouncilMailGroup@cityoflorain.org; Robert J. Gargas; Brad Dicken; Carissa Woytach; David O'Brien; Garon Petty; Tony Cillo; Jack Bradley; Jackie Conrad; Ted Kalo; Rey Carrion; Breanna Dull
Subject: Re: Public Records Request to Law Director Riley

Warning: Unusual link

This message contains an unusual link, which may lead to a malicious site. Confirm the message is safe before clicking any links.

You stated on the record:

Please find this correspondence to serve as Law Director Riley's response to your public records request. As you know from prior responses Law Director Riley, you are entitled to text messages which involve City business. You can be assured that any texting made by Law Director Riley during a public meetings, as evidenced by apparently a smiling face, did not involve City business. As such, there are no records responsive to your request.

Thank you.

Best Regards,

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200 W. Erie Avenue, 3rd Floor

This is untrue. Learn the law. Any texts sent during a public meeting automatically becomes a public record. That's why phones are to be shut off. If you text, type, or whisper anything to you change the "openness" of the meeting.

I found this online: (there is laws and case law to back this up but frankly I'm tired of doing free work)

So what this means is FORK OVER the TEXTS sent during public meetings as required by law and requested by a citizen. Period.

How do lawyers not understand the law? Unless you intended to decisive this citizen in his quest for public records?

Yes, even "private" text messages sent during open meetings by public officials can be considered public record, depending on the content and the state's public records laws; if

the texts pertain to public business discussed during the meeting, they are likely subject to disclosure under a public records request, even if sent on a personal device.

Key points to remember:

- **Public business discussion:**

The key factor is whether the text messages relate to public business being discussed during the meeting, not necessarily if the texts are sent on a personal device.

- **State laws vary:**

Specific rules regarding public records and text messages can differ by state, so it's important to consult your local laws.

- **Potential for legal issues:**

Deleting texts that relate to public business can be considered a violation of public records laws and could lead to legal repercussion

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On Feb 5, 2025, at 10:51, Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com> wrote:

LaVeck answered that email.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
Subject: Fwd: Public Records Request to Law Director Riley
Date: February 1, 2023 at 2:50:43 PM EST
To: Robert J Gargas <rjgargas@gmail.com>

Begin forwarded message:

From: "LaVeck, Joseph"
<Joseph.LaVeck@cityoflorain.org>
Subject: Public Records Request to Law Director Riley

Date: February 1, 2023 at 2:48:13 PM EST

To: "garonpetty@roadrunner.com"

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Subject: Re: Names of all police Officers who have left Lorain PD

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I'm not asking you to create anything. I'm asking for all officers who'd left. You don't have retention records. Ok back to the court of claims. You really are this ignorant?

Each officer has a record in his file showing he left. Provide each one of those for every officer who left and stop trying to argue. It's not your money that you are costing taxpayers.

Stop. You do t have the education to fight me on this.

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Subject: Baez resigned because of ORC/Ethics?

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To The Editor:

The reason Antonio Baez resigned from the sixth ward was because of possible ethics and ORC violations discovered by Aaron Knapp who is running as a Republican for the sixth ward in Lorain.

Baez was elected in a partisan election, then appointed by the Mayor of Sheffield Lake to a classified position in the government. Shouldn't Mayor Radeff have known the ethics/laws for classified employees? After all he is an Attorney and prosecutor of Lorain Municipal Court which has contracts with Lorain City?

More investigations need done by BCI, Lorain County Sheriff and Lorain County Prosecutor for possible violations of Laws and Ethics in Lorain City and Sheffield Lake?

Garon Petty
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Beko, Michele

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Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2025 8:49 AM
To: Kokoski, Lori
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Subject: Re: Names of all police Officers who have left Lorain PD

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So installed of compiling I want each individual record.

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On Feb 6, 2025, at 08:30, Kokoski, Lori <Lori_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org> wrote:

Here is the legal authority:

"A public office has no duty under R.C. 149.43 to create new records by searching for and compiling information from existing records."

Reinel v. Butler City. Auditor, 2018-Ohio-2914, 2018 Ohio Misc. LEXIS 63

From: Aaron Knapp <a4xbeaverman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 3, 2025 5:55 PM
To: Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com>
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So you are refusing to give us the names of these officers, correct?

I assume you have a "law" to reference?

Can't just say no. You guys like to play games. Let's just go back to the court of claims again. Stop stone walling.

Provide the law on which you are denying this request.

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On Feb 3, 2025, at 13:12, Garon Petty <garonpetty@roadrunner.com> wrote:

Thank you.

Garon Petty

On Feb 3, 2025, at 11:44 AM, Kokoski, Lori
<Lori_Kokoski@cityoflorain.org> wrote:

Mr. Petty,

Please see the response from the Law Department.

Thanks,

Lori

Lori,

Ohio law does not require you to produce a record in order to respond to a public records request.

Best Regards,

Joseph T. LaVeck, Esq
Chief Asst. Law Director & Police Legal Advisor
200 W. Erie Avenue, 3rd Floor
Lorain, Ohio 44052

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Subject: Names of all police Officers who have left Lorain PD

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Hello Lori, Please send me the names of all police officers who have resigned, retired, been disciplined for the years 2023, 2024, and 2025 per ORC 149.43.

Thank you,

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So then the Mayor has an automatic contract as the APA and can't do both? I'll include that in my Ethics Violation report. Thanks! That's what I thought.

Another illegal hire.

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The response provided by the Law Department is not adequate as it should have been referred to the appropriate custodian of the appropriate records.

The service director and auditor should each be a repository of such public records, correct?

Please respond to Mr. Petty.

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Hello Ms Carr, Lorain County Prosecutor and Northeast Region of Ohio Auditor,

I am now asking for an investigation why I cant get my records request fulfilled from the City of Lorain, Ohio?

Hello, please send me a list of all contracts the city of Lorain, Ohio has with the city of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service and monetary contracts lists.
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Thank You
Garon Petty January 17, 2025

"Mr. Petty,

Please be informed that this office is not the keeper of any documents which constitute "a list of all contracts the City of Lorain has with the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio and monetary contracts lists." You may wish to contact the Utilities Dept.

Law Director Riley" January 27, 2025

Help us in Lorain, Ohio please,
Garon Petty

Beko, Michele

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Cc: Jack Hall; Major Steven Scharschmidt; City Council Mail Group
Subject: Fwd: Rule 123:1-46-02 - Ohio Administrative Code | Ohio Laws

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The contracts being looked for are in relation to a violation of this rule. Sent herewith.

While the law you cite is accurate. A duty arises from this law and you are obligated to require lawful contracting and not just rubber stamp matters to process them.

You are required to exercise judgment and discretion involving the application of state laws to contracts and ethics. It appears you are attempting to side step your obligations in responding to those requests of a public citizen. Having been notified of the issue, your audit is now more than a mere records search. I have noticed the police captain and expect you to call him to discuss any illegal contracts you have participated in concerning these issues. Please note that covering up illegal behavior can be viewed as Obstruction of Justice. You are a steward of the taxpayers citizens treasury. Please take your obligation to follow the law seriously.

Your response to Mr. Petty and Mr. Knapp's records request should be reconsidered.

Gargasz, Robert J.

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So Radeff has unlawful interest in the contract as it provides his work. See how that works.

To understand this area of the law, it's important to understand what a public contract is. Essentially, a public contract is any time a public agency or public entity spends public money, regardless of the amount. Public contracts include both goods and services, such as office supplies, equipment, vehicles, consulting services, or construction work.

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Subject: Records Requests for contracts.

Hello Ms Carr, Lorain County Prosecutor and Northeast Region of Ohio Auditor,

I am now asking for an investigation why I cant get my records request fulfilled from the City of Lorain, Ohio?

Hello, please send me a list of all contracts the city of Lorain, Ohio has with the city of Sheffield Lake, Ohio, service

and monetary contracts lists.

Per 149.43 or any ORC that requires the public records to be made public when asked for.

Thank You

Garon Petty January 17, 2025

"Mr. Petty,

Please be informed that this office is not the keeper of any documents which constitute "a list of all contracts the City of Lorain has with the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio and monetary contracts lists." You may wish to contact the Utilities Dept.

Law Director Riley" January 27, 2025

Help us in Lorain, Ohio please,

Garon Petty

Beko, Michele

From: Loraine Ritchey <lritch7@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 6, 2025 10:16 AM
To: Michele Beko; Patrick Riley
Cc: James - Chief McCann
Subject: Sent an email with concerns

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Loraine Ritchey

From:lritch7@yahoo.com

To:Riley, Patrick,McCann, James - Chief,Morris, Jacob,Tony Cillo,Zaleski, Donand 18 more...

Cc:Marty Gallagher,Brad Dicken,Carissa Woytach,Darryl Tucker,Heather Chapinand 2 more...

Bcc:Lor Ritch

Thu, Feb 6 at 9:42 AM

As you may or not be aware I have been concerned as this verbal slugging off by (Attorney) Bob Gargas (**under the guise of "personal opinion"** is escalating and very concerning.

These emails and there are more than oneand posts on social media by Bob Gargas and Garon Petty for years, not weeks not months has been most worrying to me for more than two years .

ALL OF YOU SAW WHAT HAPPENED WITH OFFICER PALMER AND DIXIE THE DOG when those posts reached out to a community who believed the erroneous information, the life threats by strangers, conspiracy theorists , the socially challenged . The LPD and the officer faces death threats and terrible verbal retribution .. All because a fake name George Patton (aka Aaron Knapp) put up erroneous information on Lorain, Ohio. ... See LPD Police Investigation and also Part one of my own thoughts [Lorain, Oh - A DOG Succumbs As Does REASON/](#) Civilty on Oh Her again

I have reached out to the Law Dept on more than one occasion, Chief McCann and the Prosecutor at the time J.D. Tomlinson. I did so in order have a documented paper trail of my concerns . I still have concerns

I realize that Council At Large Springowski is a public figure and therefore open to criticism ... this is in my view **targeted harassment with "lawyer speak"** .

The Democratic party was too clever to see you are the local equivalent of Kamala Harris. Shame on those local hooded politicians (democrats founded the KKK)! Are you going to