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A MESSAGE FROM ERNIE CRIST;

I have requested that my motion "Request to Terminate unjustified Sanctions Against Councillor Crist" and which I previously e-mailed to you be put on a public agenda. It is being dealt with tonight. My rationale for this request is that inasmuch as the accusations by the Mayor with the help of Council were stated in public, I must insist that I am allowed to defend my actions including my expose of the "Northlands Cover-up" in public also.

The District Clerk, Ms Agnes Hilsen has denied me this right claiming that any such debate must be held in Camera since one of the Staff persons (not mentioned by name) could be identified and that this is contrary to section 242.2 of the Local Government Act.

In my response to the Clerk's posture, I pointed out that only in Banana Republic does an elected official who has been accused of any wrongdoing in public not have the right to defend himself in public also. I have requested of Ms Hilsen to either put this item on a public agenda and /or get a legal opinion confirming her right to deny my request. Ms Hilsen has failed to do so with the result that the item will be dealt with In Camera tonight.


Judging by the way in which "Democracy" works in the District there will be no seconder of my motion and the item will be dispensed with in short order without the public having any opportunity to hear my side of the story. In short I will be deprived of my right to defend my actions in public.

Any assistance is welcome.

Thank you,

Ernie Crist

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