

**Subject: Motion submitted by 3 new members of Council re Northlands;**

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A MESSAGE FROM ERNIE CRIST


Yesterday I sent you an e-mail re my "Northlands" Motion calling for a written statement from the Municipal Manager as to when it was known to him or his staff that the alleged embezzlement was \$ 25,000 or greater. In the meantime I have received a copy of a motion submitted by the three new Councillors calling for the setting up of a "Committee to review DNV policies as they relate to Northlands Golf Course". The motion will be dealt with Monday Jan 6 following my own motion.

For those of you who are interested in procedure, my motion which I submitted on Dec. 27 was not to come before Council until Jan 27, I was told. However the motion from the 3 new Councillors submitted on Dec. 28 is to be dealt with this coming Monday. I venture to say that my motion asking for clarification of this crucial question will be dispatched very quickly since there will be no seconder. All previous motions on that issue including one by the outgoing Council calling for an independent operational audit were either defeated or put on the shelve.

However, the motion submitted by the 3 new Councillors will not deal with the real issue whether there was any violation of the policy under which the Municipal manager or his staff was obliged to inform Council as to the exact date when it was known to him that the amount of the alleged embezzlement was \$ 25, 000 or greater thus effecting the possible outcome of the recent municipal election. The motion submitted by the 3 new Councillors can thus have no purpose other than to sidetrack this issue, to emasculate and render harmless any and all attempts by the public to find out whether there was any violation and do so in a timely fashion.

Ernie Crist

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