

Subject: FW: in camera proceedings - rationale

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to the DNV clerk, manager, acting mayor, and A Nixon who is a member of the panel

cc to Crist and the editor The Outlook

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How dumb do you people think the residents of the District are? How insulting can you all be to the democratic process, let alone the assault on the DNV taxpayers?

Hilsen gives the excuse the matter is in camera because of staff.

Nonsense: you were happy to discuss and pass resolutions in open council; happy to disclose details of "allegations" against Crist; happy to entertain the Nixon motion for an "alternative" process in public session.

And why did this farce ever get to first base? Because Don Bell got dubious advice from Lidstone [who is on record of even suggesting injunctions against Crist!], and took the matter to council. Then all of you [Crist excepted of course] went along for the ride, first approving the panel [which has never met], then the Nixon alternative [because surprise of surprises the Williams billings etc were expensive!]; all in open session.

I remind you that the PREVIOUS council dealt with the Burrows complaint by censuring Crist. None of you have legal training, but perhaps you might ask Lidstone about "res judicata".

Some of you have stated publicly that there is really no punishment that can be meted out in this matter. Crist has committed no crime, he was duly elected to represent residents, he must have access to staff to do so, and if complaints are laid [as with Burrows, then as you have done, deal with it]. You claim a breach of council code of ethics; I suggest all of you, senior staff and council, have breached Crist's ability to do his job, and certainly been happy to disclose HIS name publicly at any given moment.

I am putting you on notice; unless you abandon this process at next Monday's council meeting [whether in secret or in public], I will seek legal advice on what you have done to date, as to its legitimacy. I will be more than happy to pursue whatever is needed to stop this farce, and allow Ernie Crist to get on with his councillor duties. [and I remind you - I went to Provincial Court on the Northlands matter, and successfully swore out 5 counts against Hammond. When I say I will pursue legal recourse, I mean it. This is not intended as any threat, but a statement of reality.]

Over to you [clerk, manager, acting mayor, and I am sure Lidstone who no doubt will be contacted] - let me know your response.

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all of the above WITHOUT PREJUDICE



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