

Documentation of Mayor Waters discussion

October 16, 2018

The following statements are to the best of my recollection of the situation that occurred.

At approximately 1830 prior to the CERT meeting on Tuesday October 16, 2018 I was stopped in the hallway outside of the classroom at fire station 29. This conversation only involved myself and Mayor Waters.

Mayor Waters' first words to me were "Why was he at the meeting". My reply was who is he and what meeting? I was then told "You know who".

I clearly did not know what the Mayor was talking about. Mayor Waters then explained to me that Steve (Hirschfield) was at the council appraisal meeting the other night during the discussion of the City Manager appraisal and he stayed the entire time.

The Mayor informed me that he should not be there. "He is not a resident of Seminole" She also asked if I knew what he was up to. I was surprised and astonished that the Mayor was asking me about Steve's attendance and intensions.

The Mayor then stated to me "that you should do something about it".

It is at this point that I respectfully stated that I do not feel comfortable with this conversation and I would like Heather (Chief Burford) to be present to continue this discussion. The Mayor then indicated to me that she did not want me to inform the Fire Chief of the conversation.

Feeling that this conversation was not proper and that I felt uncomfortable about what had occurred, I did go to my supervisor who is Fire Chief Burford to extend my concerns over the conversation that had taken place.

I did feel that I was being coerced in a veiled attempt to discipline and or direct a CERT member over something that was not a CERT matter. I also feel that whatever issue that Mayor Waters has with Steve Hirschfield should be discussed directly with Mr. Hirschfield and not brought up for the CERT Program Manager to address.

Respectfully submitted October 17, 2018



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