

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.
2200 Camp Branch Road
Waynesville, NC 28786
October 9, 2021

Subject: Amy Murphy-Nugen has not been paid by Rob Hites /Gary Caldwell, i.e., Town of Waynesville.

Amy Murphy-Nugen (a.k.a. Down Home NC hack) signed a contract with Gary Caldwell, Mayor of the Town of Waynesville, as Taskforce on Homelessness Program Director on 11/13/2020. Based on Requests for Public Information, Amy Murphy-Nugen (a.k.a. Down Home NC hack) has never asked for payment, and consequently has never been paid a dime.

See: <https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/211007Murphy-NugenSignedContract.pdf>

or

[Signed Contract \(AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT AS HOMELESSNESS TASKFORCE PROGRAM DIRECTOR\) between Amy Murphy-Nugen \(a.k.a. Down Home NC hack\) and the Town of Waynesville, signed on 11/13/2020 by Mayor Gary Caldwell, for an amount not to exceed \\$49,000. This amount to be pay from Waynesville Taxpayer Dollars. 10/7/2021... On www.haywoodtp.net](#)

I requested payment information from Rob Hites, City Manager, but as of late, all responses to public officials have been channeled through their new City Attorney, Martha Sharpe Bradley.

<https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/211007Murphy-NugenSignedContract.pdf>

or

[Lawyered Up. Responses to any Request for Public Information from the following people, Elizabeth Teague, Byron Hickox, Rob Hites, Jesse Fowler and Eddie Ward, will be responded to by Martha Sharpe Bradley, the new City Attorney. 10/8/2021... On www.haywoodtp.net](#)

During the dialog, to Rob Hites, from Martha Sharpe Bradley, she:

- disclosed that Amy Murphy-Nugen (a.k.a. Down Home NC hack) had never invoiced or received payments from the Town of Waynesville, and
- Attempted to re-write history by claiming that **“Reviewing Mr. Fowler’s email from 9/30/21, there are no statements denying that the Town applied for the grant.”**

WTF?

There was a statement from Jesse Fowler that “The City of Waynesville never applied to Dogwood Health Trust for a grant for Amy Murphy-Nugen! Consequently, they have never received funds from Dogwood.”

Martha Sharpe Bradley is attempting to re-write history, and got called out for it.

If and when Amy Murphy-Nugen (a.k.a. Down Home NC hack) ever gets paid, the money will come from the Town of Waynesville General Fund, not from any grant from Dogwood Health Trust, a grant that was applied for but denied.

Here we go...

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Compensation Payments to Amy Murphy-Nugen
Date: Thu, 7 Oct 2021 12:11:09 -0400
From: Monroe Miller
To: Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>
CC: Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Amy Murphy-Nugen <abmurphynugen@wcu.edu>, Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Eddie Ward <eward@waynesvillenc.gov>

Mr. Hites,

I received the signed copy of the contract between Amy Murphy-Nugen and the Town of Waynesville this morning, signed by Gary Caldwell, engaging her as a Taskforce on Homelessness Program Director, for an amount not to exceed \$49,000. Jesse Fowler indicated she has not submitted any monthly invoice (nothing in the contract stipulates she has to submit an invoice), and the Town has not paid Amy Murphy-Nugen any compensation, but he also indicated no grant application was ever made to Dogwood Health Trust.

Please provide a listing of any and all monies paid to Amy Murphy-Nugen by the Town of Waynesville for work done under this contract, and also the financial account from which she was paid.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Compensation Payments to Amy Murphy-Nugen
Date: Thu, 7 Oct 2021 16:38:15 +0000
From: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>
To: Monroe Miller, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>
CC: Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Amy Murphy-Nugen <abmurphynugen@wcu.edu>

Mr. Miller – Reviewing Mr. Fowler’s email from 9/30/21, there are no statements denying that the Town applied for the grant. He states that the grant application was denied by the Dogwood Health Trust, and the record substantiating that denial was produced to you as an attachment.

In response to your request dated today, the Town has no records related to any invoices from or payments to Ms. Murphy-Nugen.

Best,
Martha

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Compensation Payments to Amy Murphy-Nugen
Date: Thu, 7 Oct 2021 13:09:24 -0400
From: Monroe Miller
To: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>
CC: Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Amy Murphy-Nugen <abmurphynugen@wcu.edu>, Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Ms. Bradley,

I refer you to the attached -210925DogwoodTrust-AmyMurphy-Nugen.pdf- second page, when I was invited into Jesse Fowler's office on 9/24/2021, and the following transpired:

"Subsequently, I visited with Jesse Fowler later in the afternoon, and he indicated he had a meeting with you on how to respond to this request. He informed me that:

- He had been hired by the Town about a year ago.
- The City of Waynesville never applied to Dogwood Health Trust for a grant for Amy Murphy-Nugen! Consequently, they have never received funds from Dogwood.
- Amy signed a contract with the city over a year ago, to be paid when she submits an invoice. Money to pay her will most likely come from the General Fund, i.e. Waynesville taxpayers. She has not submitted any invoice yet.
- He expected to get me a copy of her contract late today or early next week."

Where do you get off fabricating history?

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Compensation Payments to Amy Murphy-Nugen
Date: Thu, 7 Oct 2021 17:29:12 +0000
From: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>
To: Monroe Miller
CC: Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Amy Murphy-Nugen <abmurphynugen@wcu.edu>, Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Mr. Miller – Regardless of whether Mr. Fowler made the statements outlined in your email on 9/24/21, the fact remains that the Town has no records related to any invoices from or payments to Ms. Murphy-Nugen.

Best,
Martha

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Compensation Payments to Amy Murphy-Nugen
Date: Thu, 7 Oct 2021 13:39:20 -0400
From: Monroe Miller
To: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>
CC: Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Amy Murphy-Nugen <abmurphynugen@wcu.edu>, Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Ms. Bradley,

Thank you for indicating that the Town has no records related to any invoices from or payments to Amy Murphy-Nugen. That correlates with what Jesse Fowler indicated. The problem was with your previous first sentence - " ... there are no statements denying that the Town applied for the grant. ...". The email I'm referring to was dated 9/25/2021, not 9/24/2021. Let's keep our facts straight.

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