Monroe A. Miller, Jr. 2200 Camp Branch Road Waynesville, NC 28786 November 22, 2021

Subject: Email dialog with Hites/Teague/Bradley, re: extracting emails out of Elizabeth Teague.

Three years ago, during the Browning Branch, LLC., development, there was considerable communication (fortunately recorded by various emails) between **Elizabeth Teague** and **Byron Hickox** with the developers of the Browning Branch, LLC, development (a.k.a. Lake Buchanan). After the smoke cleared, I made a Request for Public Information for all of **Elizabeth Teague's** email during that time, and received them from Amie Owens, then Town Clerk. These are all posted on www.haywoodtp.net, eight (8) part series.

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Then, the Queen Subdivision (a.k.a. Sunny Side Development) popped up, and the Town of Waynesville, and everyone else, is refusing to disclose who this new developer is. Based on past history, **Elizabeth Teague** probably has or had contact with this new developer.

[**Editor's Note:** I don't like the idea of having these secret people doing business under the shield of public officials refusing to disclose their identities.]

I initiated a Request for Public Information from **Elizabeth Teague**, still a little late in the game, but made the request nevertheless. The following is an email dialog dealing with the powers that be in the Town of Waynesville. As of this date, I don't have the emails from **Elizabeth Teague** or **Byron Hickox**. (Frowny face).

During this email dialog, you will see that my request gets passed off to anonymous unaccountable entities, "... to electronic office ...", someone I can't get hold of, someone that has no accountability, and who knows if he/she/they/them/it will even understand what my request is even all about, let alone when I will finally get it.

The Town lawyer, Martha Sharpe Bradley, stepped in to add additional interference.

It was during a separate Request, that the email address for this mysterious entity appeared. It is "Support@Electronic Office <support@electronicoffice.net>". Who the [expletive deleted] is this?

These people have a website, https://www.electronicoffice.net/ and their address is:

1400 Sweeten Creek Road Asheville, North Carolina 28803 (828) 274-1196

Evidently, the county offloaded their email handling to this company, who knows when, but it would appear that my Request for Public Information lies at the whim of a private company. How does that work? Evidently, not very well... A good shield for **Elizabeth Teague**.

Monroe A. Miller, Jr. Haywood County Taxpayer.

Let's go Brandon

Date: Wed, 10 Nov 2021 08:50:08 -0500

From: Monroe Miller

To: Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>,

Byron Hickox bhickox@waynesvillenc.gov, Martha Bradley martha@sosharpe.com, Ron

Sneed <ronsneed@bellsouth.net>, Stephen Swanger

Mr. Hites,

During the period of time when Browning Branch LLC was going through the approval stages with the Waynesville Planning Board, Teague's email correspondence, provided by Amie Owens, showed complicity that Teague knew full well who the actual developer was going to be. Not Greg Wishart, but Marek Hevier. See my publication of those emails on my website, beginning with Part 1 going through Part 8.

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I am requesting any and all email correspondence to and from Teague with anyone associated with the so called Queen Subdivision or Sunnyside Development, and specifically including emails with the actual developer and who is purchasing the Queen Property. This also extends to emails to and from Byron Hickox.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Date: Wed, 10 Nov 2021 14:23:03 +0000 From: Rob Hites rhites@waynesvillenc.gov

To: 'Monroe Miller'

I will refer it to Development Services.

Date: Wed, 10 Nov 2021 09:25:07 -0500

From: Monroe Miller

To: Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>,

Byron Hickox

 Shickox@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Ron

Sneed <ronsneed@bellsouth.net>, Stephen Swanger

Thank you.

Date: Wed, 10 Nov 2021 14:52:57 +0000

From: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>

To: 'Monroe Miller', Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Jesse Fowler < jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Byron Hickox < bhickox@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha

Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Ron Sneed <ronsneed@bellsouth.net>, Stephen Swanger

I have put in a call to electronic office to define and run the requested email search.

Elizabeth Teague, AICP, CTP, CFM | Development Services Director Town of Waynesville, NC 9 S. Main Street | PO Box 100 | Waynesville, NC 28786 (o) 828.456.2004 | (f) 828.452.1492 eteague@waynesvillenc.gov | www.waynesvillenc.gov

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Date: Wed, 10 Nov 2021 09:55:55 -0500

From: Monroe Miller

To: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Jesse Fowler < jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>, Byron Hickox < bhickox@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha

Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Ron Sneed <ronsneed@bellsouth.net>, Stephen Swanger

Thank you.

Date: Wed, 17 Nov 2021 12:00:06 -0500

From: Monroe Miller

To: Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>,

Byron Hickox

 Shickox@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Ron

Sneed <ronsneed@bellsouth.net>, Stephen Swanger

Mr. Hites,

Still waiting...

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Date: Thu, 18 Nov 2021 16:09:41 +0000

From: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>

To: Monroe Miller, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>,

Byron Hickox

 Shickox@waynesvillenc.gov>, Ron Sneed <ronsneed@bellsouth.net>, Stephen

Swanger

Mr. Miller – As Ms. Teague advised you on November 10, a request for these emails was submitted to the Town's tech support contractor to run a search of the Town's emails. That process remains ongoing, and you will receive these documents once that process and our review are complete.

Best,

Martha

Date: Thu, 18 Nov 2021 13:03:29 -0500

From: Monroe Miller

To: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Swanger

Ms. Bradley,

I am well aware that Hites passed this on to Teague, and Teague passed it on to some unknown individual, who may be unaware that responses to Requests for Public Information is generally conceded to be ten (10) days. By you sending this email, you all are confirming that this unknown individual is the Custodian of this Public Information. The email to Hites was a reminder that the time period is getting close.

Please send me the name of this unknown individual, and I will start dealing with him/her/they instead of Hites, but until then, I will direct everything regarding this Request for Public Information to Hites.

By the way, since I only trust information coming directly from two people, at this point, from the Town of Waynesville, Ward and Fowler, asking Teague for this information is like asking the fox to guard the hen house. By your responding to this email, you are assuming the responsibility that I am getting all I am requesting.

Also, you're welcome. Your involvement in responding to my emails surely has provided enough income to pay at least a month's office rent. (Smiley face).

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Date: Thu, 18 Nov 2021 19:22:12 +0000

From: Martha Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>

To: Monroe Miller, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Elizabeth Teague <eteague@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>,

Byron Hickox bhickox@waynesvillenc.gov, Ron Sneed shickox@waynesvillenc.gov, Ron Sneed shickox@waynesvillenc.gov, Ron Sneed shickox@waynesvillenc.gov, Ron Sneed shickox@waynesvillenc.gov, Ron Sneed shickox@bellsouth.net, Stephen

Swanger

The statute requires that records be provided within a reasonable time and as promptly as possible, which we will do. There are no specific time requirements. More complex requests, such as all emails associated with a particular project, are not simple, and therefore, will likely require a longer period of time than the 10 day timeframe that you indicated.

Also, I do not agree with your conclusion that our tech support contractor qualifies as a custodian under chapter 132. If you are aware of any case law or statutes which contradict me, you are welcome to forward them to me, and I will review them.

Best,

Martha

[**Editor's Note:** This email is from a different Request, but it contains the reference to "Support@Electronic Office <support@electronicoffice.net>"].

Subject: Media Contact List

Date: Mon, 22 Nov 2021 15:35:40 +0000

From: Byron Hickox bhickox@waynesvillenc.gov
To: Eddie Ward eward@waynesvillenc.gov

CC: Martha Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>,

'monroemiller'

Mr. Miller,

As indicated in the email below, Town Clerk Eddie Ward has requested that you be added to the Media Contact list.

Byron Hickox
Byron Hickox | Land Use Administrator
Town of Waynesville, NC
9 South Main Street, Suite 110 | Waynesville, NC 28786
828-452-0401 (O) | 828-734-3946 (C)
bhickox@waynesvillenc.gov | www.waynesvillenc.gov

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From: Eddie Ward <eward@waynesvillenc.gov> Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 10:07 AM

To: Support@Electronic Office <support@electronicoffice.net>

Cc: Byron Hickox

 Shickox@waynesvillenc.gov>; Martha Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>;

Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Subject: Media Contact List

Please add Mr. Miller to the Media Contact email list.

Monroe Miller

Thank you,

Eddie Ward | Town Clerk, MMC, NCCMC Town of Waynesville 16 S. Main Street - PO Box 100 Waynesville, NC 28786 (o) 828.452.2491 | (f) 828.456.2000 eward@waynesvillenc.gov | www.waynesvillenc.gov

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