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Subject: Chink in Swanger's Armor - Kevin Ensley can't hold it together, County Commission Meeting.

It was interesting to see a complete meltdown at the last county commission meeting on 9/19/2022. Having attended more county commission meetings than most, I can see changing trends, and certainly identify turning points. Last meeting was one of those.

History.

Mark Swanger, ex-FBI guy, ran meetings with an iron fist. There was never a meeting when all commissioners did not come in lock-step with each other. Most votes were unanimous, unless when **Kevin "Adjudication" Ensley** [RINO] objected on some religious grounds or something. Certainly, there was never any public open debating issues among commissioners during a meeting.

Well, guess what?

Kevin "Adjudication" Ensley [RINO] could not hold it together at the last meeting. **Mark Swanger** must be having palpitations.

There were fourteen (14) public speakers that had signed up for public comment at this meeting.

- 11 related to needle exchanges, harm reduction, picking up used needles, etc., etc., etc.
- 3 related to veterans affairs.

This was reminiscent of several previous meetings when concerned citizens came in mass to address issues with county commissioners. The interesting portion came under the agenda item "Constituent Concerns".

Kevin "Adjudication" Ensley [RINO] was the first to jump in, although he is normally the last. It was a riot. Remember, **Kevin "Adjudication" Ensley** [RINO] is a RINO, which means Republican In Name Only, so this is a democrat/socialist/marxist speaking at the chair of the county commission. In past meetings, in a feeble attempt to justify his stance on harm reduction and free needle give-away's, he has cited more than once "The State Legislature when Republicans had control, voted for harm reduction", implying why were Republicans complaining about all this? This is a typical stance a democrat/socialist/marxist would take.

During his tirade, **Kevin "Adjudication" Ensley** [RINO] not only cited the State Legislature again, he pulled in prior Waynesville retired Police Chief, Bill Hollingsed, and retired State Legislative Senator **Jim Davis**, they were both in favor of harm reduction. It went on and on...

Then came other commissioners turn to speak -

- **James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III**
- Jennifer Best
- **Brandon Rogers**

All three continued unwavering support to develop some type of ordinance that would prevent not only **Ira Dove's DSS Megan Hauser** from providing phone numbers directing drug addicts towards free needles, but aimed at other organizations from needle give-away's.

[**Editor's Note:** We had better get this ordinance created and passed before the election, as I feel that **James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III** will suddenly loose interest in moving this thing through after the election.]

This is when it happened.

Brandon Rogers challenged **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] about his obnoxious references to the State Legislature about passing harm reduction legislation, when he asked **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] - “How would those people vote now?”

How would Bill Hollingsed vote now?

How would Jim Davis vote now?

Brandon Rogers continuously hammered at **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO], indicating that the two were clearly in disagreement about this issue, but since **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] is not on the ballot this time, he gets a free ticket to say what he wants, and attempted to salvage harm reduction and needle give-away’s.

At one point, **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] gave a short story about someone he knew who had a son who was an addict. The family spent \$40,000 sending the son to rehabilitation, and it didn’t work, so the family spent another \$60,000, and it wasn’t clear that worked. So, the moral of the story, according to **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO], is that it costs a lot to rehabilitate with dubious results. Well, isn’t the county going to get a big bunch of money (\$8M) to deal with this. According to **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO]’s logic, this could provide rehabilitation for about 80 people.

Another issue **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] was when a public speaker addressed that there was no one to call, except the Waynesville Police, to come and get dirty, used needles. **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] solution was to suggest the proper way to pick up a used dirty needle was with tongs. Is **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] going to provide each man, woman and child with tongs?

Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley [RINO] then suggested to the group of concerned citizens that they should invite Bill Hollingsed and **Jim Davis** to speak before their group. (One member of the audience suggested - “why don’t we ask **George Soros**?”) This is hysterical, since **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO] was scheduled to speak before this group, but cancelled out due to he was going to have health concerns that week.

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It was a sight to behold.

[**Editor’s Note:** When it came time for **Tommy Long** to speak, he began with a folksy family tall tail, which I was in no mood for, so I left.]

Prior Week at the Buttered Biscuit.

The invited speaker was **Brandon Rogers**.

[**Editor’s Note:** Most of the current commissioners and candidates have now spoken at the Buttered Biscuit, excepting Terry Ramey, and the bail-out by **Kevin “Adjudication” Ensley** [RINO].]

Brandon Rogers spoke for 1.5 hours. The first hour was consumed by questions and concerns dealing mainly with the drug addiction issues. The last half hour was consumed by me, regarding the county’s refusal to provide the information I have made through a Request for Public Information, regarding the real and true expenses the county has poured into the **James Weaver “Kirk” Kirkpatrick the III** super-duper sports complex, a.k.a. the Jonathan Creek property the county purchase in 2008.

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Brandon Rogers was appraised that I had been in contact with Lt. Governor Mark Robinson's Chief of Staff / General Counsel, and were developing how to move forward extracting information out of **Kristian Owen**, the Financial Director. His knee-jerk reaction was to advise me that it only takes \$200 to file a lawsuit against the county. So there are multiple directions this can be taken from here.

Terry Ramey peppered **Brandon Rogers**, reminding him of various expenses over the course of the property ownership, complementing what I was asking for.

Brandon Rogers assured everyone at the meeting that he would arrange a meeting with Terry Ramey, me and **Kristian Owen**, which he would like to sit in on.

Yet, at the county commission meeting, did **Brandon Rogers** say anything about this? It was certainly the time and place to comment, yet there were crickets.

Moving forward with the complaint.

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