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Waynesville, NC 28786
July 25, 2023

Subject: Response to My Request for Public Information, slammed by **Martha Sharpe Bradley**.

I made a Request for Public Information to Waynesville Police Chief David Adams, re: Locker Room Use at the Waynesville Recreation Center. This initiated a wild chain of events, ultimately leading to a memo addressed to me and **Cory Vaillancourt**, by **Martha Sharpe Bradley**, Waynesville Town Attorney.

Hang on..., here we go.

Subject: Request for Public Information - Incident Reports.

Date: Sat, 22 Jul 2023 11:07:34 -0400

From: Monroe Miller

To: Chief David Adams <dadams@waynesvillenc.gov>

CC: Luke Kinsland <lukekinsland@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Gary Caldwell <gcaldwell@waynesvillenc.gov>, Julia Freeman <jfreeman@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jon Feichter <jfeichter@waynesvillenc.gov>, Chuck Dickson <cdickson@waynesvillenc.gov>, Anthony Sutton <asutton@waynesvillenc.gov>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Chief Adams,

Two incidents have occurred at the Waynesville Rec Center this past week, including a gang of kids beating up on two other juveniles.

https://www.themountaineer.com/news/violent-beating-by-gang-of-teenage-boys-under-investigation/article_cc55e294-27c7-11ee-b5f5-eb8c9323dc51.html

This is a Request for Public Information on these two incidents, and specifically the name of the he/him/her/she/they/them/it/whatever who invaded the women's locker room. Please provide the Waynesville Police Department Incident Reports.

[HaywoodHappenings.org. "BEWARE! Waynesville Rec Center allowing Trans Men to disrobe in front of children in the Women's Locker Room!" WTF? 7/19/2023...](https://www.haywoodhappenings.org/BEWARE!WaynesvilleRecCenterallowingTransMentodisrobeinfrontofchildrenintheWomen'sLockerRoom!WTF?7/19/2023...)

[WLOS. "Waynesville police launch investigation into reported inappropriate behavior at rec center." by Denise Pridgen. "At this time, \(Waynesville\) police have released few details about the investigation, including when the incident occurred or the nature of the incident." 7/19/2023...](https://www.wlos.com/story/news/local/2023/07/19/waynesville-police-launch-investigation-into-reported-inappropriate-behavior-at-rec-center/701111700270001)

I expect that all minor's names will have been redacted.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Incident Reports. #2.
Date: Sun, 23 Jul 2023 18:58:41 -0400
From: Monroe Miller
To: Chief David Adams <dadams@waynesvillenc.gov>
CC: Luke Kinsland <lukekinsland@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>, Gary Caldwell <gcaldwell@waynesvillenc.gov>, Julia Freeman <jfreeman@waynesvillenc.gov>, Jon Feichter <jfeichter@waynesvillenc.gov>, Chuck Dickson <cdickson@waynesvillenc.gov>, Anthony Sutton <asutton@waynesvillenc.gov>, Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>

Chief Adams,

Please see the media release by Rob Hites, issued by Martha Sharpe Bradley, attached.

My request stands.

This is a Request for Public Information on these two incidents, and specifically the name of the he/him/her/she/they/them/it/whatever who invaded the women's locker room. Please provide the Waynesville Police Department Incident Reports.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

[**Editor's Note:** On www.haywoodtp.net, see:

["Locker Room Use at the Waynesville Recreation Center". Memo by a lawyer, Martha Sharpe Bradley, Town Attorney, not the Waynesville Police Chief David Adams. Why is a lawyer putting this out? 7/23/2023. 7/25/2023...](#)

<https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/230723-20230723MemoToBoard.pdf>]

Then, out of the blue, I received the following email from Jesse Fowler. WTF?

Subject: Requested Video Footage Review
Date: Mon, 24 Jul 2023 18:21:16 +0000
From: Jesse Fowler <jfowler@waynesvillenc.gov>
To: Monroe Miller
CC: Rob Hites <rhites@waynesvillenc.gov>, Martha Sharpe Bradley <martha@sosharpe.com>

Good afternoon,

In response to your public information request for the video footage of the events at the recreation center involving a transgender person, I am available to review the footage with you in person and I have availability this afternoon. Please call me at 828-452-2491.

Thank you,

Jesse Fowler - Assistant Town Manager

Obviously, I had never requested to view the video footage of the events at the recreation center involving a transgender person.

A Bear Trap?, I thought to myself. Why not, accept the invitation and take a look...

I set out for the Waynesville Rec Center, to be joined by both **Jesse Fowler** and **Martha Sharpe Bradley**. There were rules, and so I made the following observations.

- I was not allowed to request/receive any copy's of the security footage.
- I was not allowed to take any photos of screen shots of the alleged perpetrator.
- The identity of the alleged perpetrator would not be revealed, although both **Fowler** and **Bradley** knew the identity.

- The alleged perpetrator was recorded both entering and exiting the Family Changing Area, supposedly gender neutral.
- The alleged perpetrator was dressed in a tiny bikini.
- The alleged perpetrator, to me, was a male, because he did not have nice shapely hips.
- The alleged perpetrator did have nice boobs.
- The alleged perpetrator appeared to have long black hair.
- On 7/12, the alleged perpetrator never entered the women's changing room.
- There was another incident on 7/18, where the alleged perpetrator entered the Sauna, again in the tiny bikini, which triggered a complaint to the Waynesville Police Department.
- The alleged perpetrator is continuing to make regular visits to the Waynesville Rec Center, after the events on 7/12 and 7/18.

During the review of the Rec Center video footage, I can only leave it to your imagination the conversation I had with **Martha Sharpe Bradley**.

I was informed that **Cory Vaillancourt** of the smn tabloid was sitting where I was reviewing the video footage prior to my invitation to view the same footage.

So both of us got the special invite. **Martha Sharpe Bradley** informed me that I would be getting a letter about this little set-up, and sure enough, she followed up.



Gary Caldwell, Mayor
Julia Freeman, Mayor Pro Tem
Jon Feichter, Town Council
Anthony Sutton, Town Council
Chuck Dickson, Town Council

Robert W. Hites, Jr. Town Manager
Martha Bradley, Town Attorney

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RE: Request for Public Records

Dear Mr. Miller and Mr. Vallaincourt:

You have both submitted requests for personally identifying information for the person whose actions were described in my memorandum to the Town Council dated July 23, 2023. After careful consideration, the Town of Waynesville must deny your request for these records.

As you know, General Statute section 132-1 *et seq.* requires the production of any public record requested by any person within a reasonable time. The records maintained by the Waynesville Recreation Center (WRC), with the exception of records which constitute Public Enterprise Billing Information, are public record and, under ordinary circumstances, would be produced in response to your request.

The circumstances under which your requests have been made, however, are not ordinary. As referenced in my memorandum, numerous threats of physical violence have been made against the particular individual in question and against all persons who identify as transgender. The Town of Waynesville takes the safety of all patrons to the WRC seriously, and for that reason, we believe that any person identified to the public would be at risk as a direct result.

Our decision is consistent with the holdings of the North Carolina Court of Appeals. In *S.E.T.A. UNC-CH, Inc. v. Huffines*, 107 N.C. App. 440, 420 S.E.2d 674 (1992), animal rights activists filed suit against a university research laboratory after it denied a public records request for numerous federal research grant applications and the names and contact information for all of the researchers working on the project.

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The court determined that, although not expressly stated within the statute, there is a public policy exception which may entitle government agencies to withhold information or records to protect the privacy of individuals. Specifically, the court stated: "... we are sensitive to the needs of researchers to protect their privacy and the privacy of their staffs. We conclude that public policy does require that any information contained in the applications relating to the names of the researcher and staff members, their telephone numbers, addresses, their experience and the department name be redacted from the ... applications." As I hope you will agree, public safety is a compelling public policy interest similar to the individual privacy interest cited by the court.

In light of the *S.E.T.A.* case and threats of physical violence, it is the position of the Town of Waynesville that a risk to public safety is a sufficient public policy interest upon which to base our decision to deny your request.

Sincerely,



Martha Sharpe Bradley
Town Attorney

A final email to Waynesville Police Chief David Adams...

Subject: Re: Request for Public Information - Incident Reports. #3.

Date: Mon, 24 Jul 2023 20:09:52 -0400

From: Monroe Miller

To: Chief David Adams <dadams@waynesvillenc.gov>

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Chief Adams,

I am in receipt of Martha Sharpe Bradley's letter/email to me, "20230724 LT SMN & Miller re public records request.pdf", indicating that she/you are not going to provide the name of the he/him/her/she/they/them/it/whatever who is making the Rec Center he/him/her/she/they/them/it/whatever new home. After a special preview of the security recordings for 7/12, I was advised that there was a separate incident on 7/18, in the woman's sauna.

Please now provide three (3) incident reports -

7/12 incident

7/18 incident

Gang incident which put to juveniles in the hospital.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Don't forget to read **Cory Vaillancourt's** article, "A rush to judgement: The mere existence of trans people is not a crime" Written by **Cory Vaillancourt**, Monday, July 24, 2023

<https://smokymountainnews.com/news/item/36046-a-rush-to-judgement-the-mere-existence-of-trans-people-is-not-a-crime>

where he provides cover to the alleged perpetrator by calling him "Jane Doe", and crucifying everyone in the rest of the free world who does not agree with him.

I have not received the first incident report on any of these events from the Waynesville Police Department.

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Haywood County Taxpayer.