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Mr. Robert Morris  
Humboldt County Planning Commission Chairperson  
c/o Board of Supervisor Chambers  
825 5th Street  
Eureka, Ca. 95501

Re: Planning Commission Meeting of 4/18/2019

Dear Mr. Morris,

I attended the Planning Commission meeting held April 18, 2019 with one of my clients.

At the beginning of the meeting, during the "Public Comments" agenda item, a man identifying himself as Rick French from Hydesville spoke to the Commission. While it was hard to follow his comments I eventually realized he was accusing the County of creating a video reenactment of a prior meeting. He was obviously angry about an action taken at that time and his ramblings were, in my opinion, nonsensical.

I am writing you because in the midst of his comments this lunatic took a dangerous turn when he turned and looked at Trevor Estlow, a County Planner in attendance, and stated "every time I see Trevor Estlow I just want to take him out".

I think all in attendance were in shock at this personal threat to a County employee, yet you did nothing. Why did the gavel not come out? Why was security not summoned to escort this man out of the building? Is it okay to threaten the life of a County employee? I don't think so. It is your job as Chair of the Commission to run the meeting. Allowing such behavior is a failure on your part.

I have reported this to the County Sherriff's Department. It's not hard to prove as its all on the video of the meeting. I think there should be a restraining order placed on Mr. French to prevent any contact with County Planning Staff, specifically Mr. Trevor Estlow, or attending another Planning Commission Meeting based on his threatening behavior.

Sincerely,

David A. Crivelli, PLS

Cc: Planning Commissioners, John Ford, Planning Director  
And Board of Supervisors by email