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have several other charges as a previous Bd member & now a Private Citizen

Bd of Supervisors

Re: Non agenda public comments for your regular meeting on 6-23-20 at 9 AM. I am furious with the Grand Jury report 2018-2019 final report summary. Furios they didn't interview me!

Last March at the regular Sottum school Bd. meeting I presented them, the school Board of Don Boyd with charges against 4 board members, Don Boyd, 1 school employee, Gary Eagles, & Chris Hartley. To this date I haven't heard from them since. I am not allowed to call or go to their district office, even when I was a board member, I couldn't call or go there.

The last several years they were having meetings while I had appointments at the V.A. Doctors. Also these extra meetings they went from 7 Board members to 5. Also the selling of the Ettersburg school to the Ettersburg fire dept. I voted no. This should have triggered a public sale. Corruption? Nepotism was a big problem for years. Leadership was a joke. Management = Take. Openness of public meetings? Brown Act = Take. It amazes me what goes on in closed session meetings. Decline in enrollment + the loss of Agness Johnson school will bankrupt S#USD this year. Maybe some covid money will help? Curriculum = No money for it. Also none for advanced placement courses. My charges as a Private citizen have been ignored long enough. In my request of charges I said I would drop the charges if the...

From: Caroline Griffith
To: COB
Subject: public comment on non-agenda item 6/23
Date: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:28:58 AM

Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to add my voice to the chorus of people who are concerned about the Sheriff Department's use of the for-profit company Lexipol for its Use Of Force policy. The ACLU of Northern California has recently brought it to our attention that this policy is not in compliance with AB 392, which went into effect on January 1, 2020 and changes the legal standard of deadly force allowable by law enforcement. One of the main issues with the Lexipol policy and the training associated with it is the assertion by Lexipol that the legal standard for the police use of force is "the exact same thing we've had for the last 50 years." This is entirely untrue, as the law changed 6 months ago to create a higher legal standard for use of force. The policy fails to instruct officers on the statutory duty to use alternatives to deadly force. This is concerning because Lexipol claims to craft its policy language not to protect the community, but to protect officers and agencies from liability, and this use of force policy appears to do neither of those things. At a time when law enforcement agencies around the country are under increased scrutiny for their use of force, we need to look closely at the policies that are being used by our sheriff's department. According to the ACLU of Northern California, Lexipol has placed litigation risks above what a wide range of policy experts have declared is good policy to reduce police killings. I am opposed to our public funds being used to shield law enforcement from liability rather than protect the public.

I ask the Board of Supervisors to please:

Examine the Sheriff Department's Use of Force Policy, end our involvement with Lexipol and craft a use of force policy that is in compliance with the law and fits our community.

Ban chokeholds and strangleholds.

Require and enforce a use of force continuum.

Require implicit bias testing for all new hires.

End qualified immunity.

Make officer misconduct records available to the public and a citizen oversight committee.

Now is the time to examine what our law enforcement can do better and how we can better allocate funds to serve the community. I understand that the budget for 2021 is already on its way to approval, but there are many of us who will be coming back throughout the year and working to craft a budget for 2022 that serves the community by broadening our definition of "public safety" by reallocating funds from Law Enforcement to Community Services.

Thank you,

Caroline Griffith

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