

Larry Romanelli

From: Larry Romanelli
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 11:48 AM
To: Election Board
Cc: Israel Stone (israels@lrcr.com); Mary Thomas
Subject: Accusations of Election Fraud

Good morning Election Board Members:

As you are aware, Tribal Councilor Shannon Crampton made remarks indicating he believed election fraud may have been committed by the Ogema and Israel Stone who was appointed to fill the very short-term seat vacated by an election board member. Councilor Crampton also indicated that he believed the FBI should be called in to investigate the matter. It is my understanding that Tribal Council has taken no action even though I as Tribal Ogema and at least one Election Board Member asked to have the matter looked into and exonerate our names from the issue. I also suggested that the Council contact the FBI since it has been brought up one of their councilors. The Tribal Council Speaker has stated that no action has been taken as Councilor Crampton is an individual councilor and doesn't speak for the Tribal Council as a whole. ←

The fact that this Councilor made the remarks in an open session of a Tribal Council Meeting and while acting in his capacity as councilor, to me, makes it the problem for all of Council to address. The fact that at subsequent open meetings of Council both an Election Board Member and I requested action from council, does in fact, include the council to take actions to clear up the matter. Again, last weekend, during another meeting of tribal council held in Wisconsin, Councilor Crampton disagreed with me that I have nothing to do with the elections and the Tribal Council Speaker did nothing to correct his statements.

Since the meeting where Election Board Member Karen Love made her request, I have made contact with Jeff Davis of the US Department of Justice who suggested that the matter be sent to our Tribal Prosecutor, which I also did. I received a response from the Prosecutor which indicates that nothing has come forward to support the claim of the crime and if so should be given to the Public Safety Department as a criminal matter.

At this time, I am asking for a retraction of those statements from Councilor Crampton and an apology from our Tribal Council to clear our names and the Election Board. If you have any questions, please let me know.

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From: Larry Romanelli
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Joseph Riley II
Cc: Sandy M. Lewis
Subject: RE: C-Store Issues

Thanks Joe. I did send a request to the former prosecutor about the statement of fraud, but I don't want it lingering out there for Face Book fodder. Yes, please do ask the Prosecutor to investigate or show there is nothing to pursue. Thanks

From: Joseph Riley II
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2017 10:53 AM
To: Larry Romanelli <lromanelli@lrboi-nsn.gov>
Cc: Sandy M. Lewis <smlewis@lrboi-nsn.gov>
Subject: RE: C-Store Issues

Good Morning Larry,

I think the court case in this particular issue speaks to all potential issues that took place within the election. If there were anything further of substance it would have been brought out in the case. The FBI/OIG isn't interested in getting involved in Tribal Election disputes so that is where this remains. If you would like we can get together and possibly speak with the TPS and the prosecuting attorney and see if they can do an investigation into any potential allegations.

The C-Store issue I'm just hearing about but since Israel Stone is involved I'm assuming that's the source of Councilor Crampton's displeasure. I believe Mr. Stone has in the past had to file grievances and take other steps due to feelings of being harassed by Councilor Crampton, I will speak with him and try to emphasize the importance of carrying himself in good way.

Thanks,

Joe

From: Larry Romanelli
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2017 10:18 AM
To: Joseph Riley II <jriley@lrboi-nsn.gov>
Cc: Sandy M. Lewis <smlewis@lrboi-nsn.gov>
Subject: C-Store Issues

Good morning Joe,

I just received communication that Shannon Crampton was at the C-Store yesterday making derogatory remarks about some Resort staff.

I am looking into this further. We both know how moving this under the Resort makes sense and not sure why a councilor would make remarks about the Resort staff once again. I am passing this on.

Also while we are on the subject, has Tribal Council or Shannon made contact with the FBI over the remarks Shannon made about me and the election fraud? I believe it needs to be pursued and cleared up or an apology made from Councilor Crampton.

If Tribal Council does not plan to pursue, please let me know. Thank you.