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Subject: Re: Desperate Times

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The officers learned that the Chief worked with Stewart in the law department to get the comments removed, shut down the poster, attempt to identify the poster, and shut down comments on all following posts. Abusing gov't resources and powers to silence and investigate a private citizen for 1st amendment comments.

Hastings so far has a previous suspension from Cleveland for ignoring a theft in office fire department scheme. Fighting the clearly illegal GPD issue. Now this. Three instances of condoning illegal activity, and bending over to find legal loopholes or justifications. Instead of properly guiding the city on what is legal and preventing illegal actions. I hope you make progress with these issues.

Good luck

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On Sep 19, 2022, at 8:17 PM, Miss Marples
<MissMarples21@proton.me> wrote:

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The cops working for BPD have been suffering for too long. Losing awful chiefs who are shockingly replaced by even worse ones.

The current Police Chief first met officers and shared her great leadership style with quotes like-

- I'm not here to make friends with any of you
- Morale starts at the bottom
- Im here to clean up this shitshow
- You have to treat officers like children
- I don't need your input

What leader speaks to people like this? Would YOU want this as your superior?

Don't you wonder why there are more grievances and arbitrations just from the police in the past 2 years than the past 20?

The Chief orders officers to not speak with council members without her consent.

The Chief takes credit for awarded grants someone else writes and throws the author back to patrol when they dare ask to be paid fairly.

The Deputy Chief orders an officer to fire a TASER for demonstration during a community event and throws a temper tantrum when the officer and others refuse due to safety.

Why are officers threatened with losing 12 hour shifts whenever they voice a concern? What kind of 'speak up' culture does that create?

Why couldn't BPD find enough lateral applicants to make a certified list when we pay so well?

Officers have left, are leaving, and more will follow. BPDs reputation is out for all to see and can't attract replacements

Someone posts critical-yet-true Facebook posts about the Chief and her furniture-flinging Deputy Chief..... then she deletes the comments and blocks comments from anyone on a government page.

This is ILLEGAL and violates the US CONSTITUTION. Look it up yourselves.

When the Chief of Police BREAKS THE LAW and VIOLATES CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS..... and has no consequences, what message are you sending to the officers???

This is just a tip of the iceberg of trauma brought on by the current 'leaders'

This. Cycle. Must. Stop. Please quit blindly letting this continue to get worse. Stop giving people easy reasons to sue Beachwood. Stop giving reasons for the city to look idiotic.

Lawsuits
Settlements
Grievances
Arbitrations
PR and Legal fees

These all cost TAXPAYER MONEY. If this kind of money was coming out of your bank account would you continue tolerating this train wreck?

PLEASE finally do something to give BPD hope, some reason to risk their lives for a city that continues to ignore how bad things are and how much worse they keep getting. Please start trying to actually turn this sinking ship around for the sake of EVERYONE

Imagine if your spouse / your brother / your sister / your son / your daughter were an officer... what would you do?

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