

Select Board
Windham Town Office
Town of Windham
Windham, VT 05359

May 3rd 2017

Dear Select Board,

I wish response to ^{the} false ~~the~~ allegations brought against me in a letter address to you from Jo-Jo Chlebogiannis ^{is} on April 17th 2017.

I did not and have not in any way tried ^{to} convince Mrs. Chlebogiannis to state that Claudia Voight was not working out and not doing well and that she should put a good word in for me instead at the next select board meeting. She also stated in her letter that I basically told her that Kord Scott had groomed me to attend the next board meeting and voiced me on what to say. I am deeply appalled by this false accusation.


On April 4th 2017 I was approached by a member of the community who stated that Mrs. Chlebogiannis had officially handed in her letter of resignation. I was very excited about the news because I had taken interest in the Town Clerks position and ran against Mrs. Chlebogiannis back in the 2016 election. The outcome was that she had won and I was the runner up. I had assumed that because of her official letter of resignation that I was to be given the first opportunity to fill the open position as Town Clerk. I called the town office on or around April 4th to speak directly to Mrs. Chlebogiannis but unfortunately I had gotten an answering machine recording that she was out of the office. I left a brief message stating I was interested in the position and that I would appreciate a call back. She did return my call. We spoke briefly about her decision of resignation and I had asked her if I was able to have the opportunity to fill the position of Town Clerk and if she was going to train me. She said, "I have already started training Claudia Voight for the position for the last two weeks". I respond by saying "Ok, then I do not want to step on anyone's toes". Mrs. Chlebogiannis replied by saying, (and I quote!) "I have my doubts about Claudia filling the position". I responded back to her comment asking her, "ok then what should I do next?" Her response to me was, "I am not sure, I will have to contact the VSLA to find out what my legal rights on the situation is about appointing a new Town Clerk". She then asked me, "what is your personal relationship with Kord?" I was completely taken off guard with the question, because I was not sure what that had to do with my interest in the Town Clerks position but, I did in fact answer her question by saying, "I have not personal relationship with Kord or his wife Kathrine. I only know that my son and his grandson are best friends and that is how I know Kord, and my husband and I have never gotten together with them."

In response to her allegation that she had approach me at least four times to reach out to me to ask me to ask me if I had interest in the Town clerks position, once again this is a false written statement by Mrs.

Chlebogiannis.

Around the beginning of her starting the position of Town Clerck she came in to my place of employment, (Clarks IGA, Londonderry, Vt.) and had stated the job is overwhelming and sarcastically and jokingly ask me if I still wanted to be Town Clerk. I responded by saying, "no" because I found it to be very unprofessional for her to come into my place of employment in front of my manager, that at that time was at the customer service desk and ask me such a question. I was uncomfortable about answering her back in front of my co-workers and answered no. I had assumed that she was just joking anyway. Then around the middle of winter, January or February 2017 she once again came through my line at my register with a girlfriend at my place of employment, (Clark's IGA) and started talking about her personal fall out with Mr. Scott and once again, in a jokingly and sarcastic way ask me if I still wanted the position. I once again did not take her offer serious. I was upset because of her unprofessional approach. She has all of my personal contact information and if she expecting to be taken seriously by me with her offer of the Town Clerks position. She should have approach me and conducted her self in a more professional manner.

Sincerely,
Teresa Farace

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