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Please see the following text of public comments I made during the City Council meeting on 2-28-23. Please include the comments verbatim in the minutes of the meeting. Also please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Best regards,
Kiernan McManus

Thank you Mayor Hardy and members of the Council.

I am speaking on item #2 of the agenda regarding a payout to former City Clerk Lorene Krumm in the amount of \$165,000.

This payment would be in addition to the severance pay issued to Ms. Krumm following the termination of her employment contract.

All severance provisions contained in the contract were paid to Ms. Krumm including 3 months salary and all vacation and sick leave that existed.

I can only speak to the reasons I had for moving to terminate the contract of Ms. Krumm when I was Mayor. Other Council members expressed their views when the possible change in employment was discussed.

The vote of the Council in February of 2021 was 4 to 1 to terminate the employment of Ms. Krumm.

When a person becomes a public official and public servant, the duty should be to serve the interests of the public and not place that duty behind the desire to maintain life time employment.

Ms. Krumm failed to serve the public interests first. She repeatedly provided false and misleading information to me.

She sought direction in conducting City business from lawyers suing the City rather than from duly appointed outside counsel representing the City.

The accusations Ms. Krumm made against me were rejected as there was no basis to the allegations. Ms. Krumm worked with other appointed officials to insure their employment rather than serve this community.

The taxpayers do not owe Ms. Krumm additional money.

Additionally on item #12 plans for a replacement pool complex I would note that Parks and Recreation Director Roger Hall attempted to replace and ignore the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee that had been formed to discuss alternatives.

It appears he has succeeded. It is unfortunate that Mr. Hall views his role as the economic development director utilizing taxpayer funds to accomplish his goals rather than providing facilities that are focused on the needs of residents.

There are many promises Mr. Hall has made on how millions of dollars in taxpayer money will bring untold wealth to the community.

That has never happened and the wealth always seem to go into the pockets of a few.

A municipal pool has been a real asset to this community for nearly 50 years at a reasonable cost. This project should first serve the community and not Mr. Hall's aspirations.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak. I ask that my comments be included verbatim in the minutes of the meeting. I will provide the text to the office of the City Clerk.