
RE: Greg Fawkes

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Jon, John and Dee,

I propose I send this out on Monday. Since Fawkes clearly attacked Jon in his official capacity I have no problem issuing the letter on his behalf. Jon you should think about it and we can discuss later.

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From: jonfetherston@comcast.net [mailto:jonfetherston@comcast.net]
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To:

Mr. John Petrin Ashland Town Manager
Ms. Lisa Mead Ashland Town Counsel
Mr. Scott Rohmer Ashland Chief of Police

Please see my summary of a phone conversation on Friday March 2, 2011 with Sgt. Greg Fawkes of the Ashland Police Department.

At 6:40 p.m. on Friday March 2, 2012 from phone number 508-586-8911 Sgt. Greg Fawkes of the Ashland Police department called me. He introduced himself and then immediately started yelling at me that "I was seen drinking heavy at Trackside Grille bad mouthing him and his family. He stated that people told him that I was "drunk". He stated that I was seen "throwing them back" and stating that I was trying to "bury him" and "end his police career". I told him that did not happen. I also told him I was not drunk and that I was not bad mouthing him". I told him that he was out of line to even say something to that affect. He also stated that the fact that I stood on an island, as the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, in the middle of town holding a sign supporting the Chief was "bullshit" and that I am aware of the "facts" that the "Chief has committed unlawful acts and how can I support him"? I told him that it is public record that I supported the Chief. I stated, Greg we both know I was on the front page of the new paper doing so, why are we discussing this? He then replied that we are discussing it because I have been quoted in the paper saying I want to

make the Chief a Strong Chief so that I can get him (Sgt. Fawkes) fired. I told him that was false and grossly out of line. Sgt. Fawkes then stated that "it is clear that I am out to get him". I told him that was not fair, not true and not the case. Sgt. Fawkes brought up the issue that I am running for higher elected office and "that is not going to work out", because "he is going to do what he has to do". Sgt. Fawkes continued yelling at me stating that is obvious that I am trying to ruin his career and his family. I, once again, told him that he did not have his facts straight and that he was way out of line and needed to stop yelling at me. I reminded him that I always take his calls, set up the meeting with the Union and the Town at his request a few weeks ago. I also told him that it was inappropriate to call me and make such false statements. Sgt. Fawkes then stated that he had sworn testimony from people that I was bad mouthing him and discussing him in public. I asked him why he had testimony from people, about me. Was I being investigated? He replied that he is "saving his career". I asked him to end this baseless conversation, but he continued to yell at me that I was biased towards the Chief and that he "was going to do what he has to do" and then he abruptly hung up. Sgt. Fawkes used inappropriate and foul language throughout the phone call with me.

I feel very threatened and attacked by Sgt. Fawkes. I feel his call to me was inappropriate and that he was trying to intimidate me with his position as a police officer. I am now very concerned about the safety of myself and my family. The Ashland Police Department has come by my house several times of the years, uninvited, to discuss police issues and this phone call and attack now has me deeply concerned about my family's safety. This is not the first time Sgt. Fawkes has used threatening or inappropriate language with me, but this incident was filled with such rage and misinformation that I am now very concerned about his state of mind and how he is acting in his role as an Ashland Police Officer. I request that this issue be looked into and investigated in a timely fashion. Please know that this e-mail is a formal complaint against Sgt. Fawkes and his behavior as a Police Officer. Any questions, concerns or if further information is needed, please contact me.

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