

10 October 2018

Statement made by Patricia Murphy

I'm with the Town Council speaking on behalf of the Town Council and the citizens of Fayette. I would first like to thank the court for the opportunity to make a statement as the victim of these crimes involving our former town clerk.

This incident has had a major impact on this small community, and in trying to recover, we feel that the following items need to be addressed:

- Restitution of funds – As a town we feel that the full restitution of funds should be required by the courts and paid in a timely manner. Since the amount requested is only a fraction of what was taken.
- So much of the towns money was taken, we ask to know where the money went for possible liquidation.
- Upon quitting former clerk kept a good majority of town documents, maps, tools and equipment at her residence. She also has confidential files and information on her personal computer that should be returned and deleted. She should not have confidential citizen records. It will be fiscally difficult and time consuming to recreate most of the recent items and the loss of historical records will be impossible to recover.
- This incident has caused a division amid residents of our small community. We as Town council believe that the former clerk should issue a letter of apology to the town, something that can be sent out in the town newsletter, confessing her guilt, stating why she did it, what happened to the money and that she is truly remorseful. This would provide closure and eliminate the inaccurate statements being spread.
- If the former clerk can comply with these requests we ask that prison time be waved and minimum jail time required.

Thank you again to the court for allowing us to make this statement and on behalf of the Town of Fayette we would also like to thank the law enforcement officers and the county attorney's office for all the hard work they have done.

Thank-you.

**Turn the time to Council Member's to report on their own assignments. Brandon shared some pictures for the Park for an idea for a shaded area by the Horseshoe pit. It**

**was brought to our attention that 6 sheep were killed. One sheep was eaten and 5 killed. Maybe dogs, but most likely coyote's, especially little cubs.**

**Patricia brought up the idea of an In and Out box for Non-perishables. The Council said it would be a good Idea, but what about the Post Office? Are they agreeable with it being in there? Patricia made a motion and the Council passed it.**

**The Expenditures were then addressed. They were discussed and then Patricia made the motion to except the Expenditures and Joan 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the Council passed the motion.**

**Adjournment at 8:47pm**