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Ben Johnson, Sheriff
Volusia County
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Dear Sheriff Johnson:

My name is Jeff "Gus" Ensminger, resident of Central Florida for nearly three decades. I am a business owner, married father, and I stay active in my community of Deltona. As the owner of a popular community-based website, I regularly receive feedback from other members of the community. I also attend and film city commission meetings so other citizens can be informed of City business. I feel I have a fairly accurate understanding of the current political climate in Deltona and the current climate is volatile at best, as an allegedly felonious Mayor regularly gives cause to question the honesty of City government.

As you may or not be aware, Deltona is a City in turmoil (or as one newspaper referred to it – *City of Chaos*), a city where more and more citizens are becoming distrustful of their government. From shady land dealings to private meetings, Mayor Mulder is creating uproar in Deltona with his *unofficially strong-Mayor* style of government. You don't have to take my word for it - attend next month's commission meetings or watch videos of past meetings to see for yourself the cause of the brewing citizen unrest.

I have incontrovertible official documents that I feel show Mayor Dennis Mulder, in two instances, committed *perjury under oath during the course of an official proceeding – both felonies*. A quick review of the accompanying documents will clearly show that Mayor Mulder made contradictory statements under oath while he was being investigated by the Florida Elections Commission, who later found him guilty of 89 *willful* violations of campaign finance laws.

According to the Florida Election Commission ruling, Mayor Mulder was given a *light* fine for his 89 *willful* violations of law, and the Elections Commissioners' documented comments suggest that the light penalty was given as a result of Mulder's contradictory statements – the statements that they thought Mulder made in *good faith* instead appear to be *untruths*.

I am concerned that because Mayor Mulder's contradictory statements appear to have helped him to receive a *light* fine for his 89 *willful* violations of campaign finance law, he has become more emboldened to disregard the law as Mayor, gradually leading to the undeniable citizen unrest that we have here now.

I have discussed this matter with State Attorney John Tanner, who suggested his was not the department with which to file this formal complaint.

In the interest of the public trust, I ask you to please uphold and protect the laws of our great State of Florida by investigating the accompanying (2) formal complaints as necessary to determine if Mayor Dennis Mulder has committed any *felonious* acts. 86,000 Deltona citizens deserve to have *lawful* leadership, but who will be the one to take a stand and make a difference?

Sincerely,

Jeff "Gus" Ensminger

Enclosures

Cc: John L. Mica
R.J. Larizza, Esq.
Governor Charlie Crist
Albert Massey, III
Frank Bruno, Jr.
John Bonnevier

On ACCOUNTABILITY Dennis Mulder wrote:

"I have a great many platform issues that I will be addressing in my campaign, but leading them all will be ACCOUNTABILITY. The commission must hold City Management, staff, and most importantly other commissioners accountable for actions and decisions."

"The City IS a business, and in a business people are held accountable."

"Accountability is a requirement in any successful business."

The City is a business of the most serious kind, not a farce.

A perfect example is the situation with Mr. Nix. There should be an investigation. If he told a lie in the chambers of the P & Z meeting, he should be disciplined. If not, no problem.

If he was directed to lie or bend the truth, the individual giving the directive as well as Mr. Nix should suffer consequences."

"I hold the commission accountable to the residents."