So sad to see this wonderfully qualified woman lose her position

So many volunteers step up to serve our community simply because they care and they can use their skills and abilities to make our community a better place. The vast majority serve on citizen boards without any pay.

A token per diem of $75 per day is provided to members who meet for multiple hours on one 3-member board called the Board of Equalization. These citizens help individual taxpayers who believe their property valuation is too high.

That board researches the County Assessor’s documents, the citizen’s justifications, and market info, and then decide on that taxpayer’s valuation that determines their property tax.

Board members ideally would have ample experience as assessors, realtors, and faithful citizen leadership so they are well qualified to make informed knowledgeable decisions helpful and fair to citizens.

These Board members, and several alternates who fill in as needed, are appointed to three year terms by the County Councilors who should base their decisions on qualifications, not on partisan differences.

Yet, today, the trio of Marc Boldt, Jeanne Stewart, and Julie Olson, voted to remove one of the best qualified candidates in our history who is already serving as an excellent existing alternate Board member. They chose to go advertise again for someone else more acceptable.

Her background includes working as an assessor in our own assessor’s office in prior years, holding a current real estate license in Oregon and Washington and currently working as a broker, being a highly respected Oregon Representative and Senator with a great track record faithfully representing citizens in prior years, a business owner, an active community volunteer in multiple capacities, college honors, was recommended by staff and colleagues, and much more.

But there’s one problem for the trio. She’s a conservative Republican and a county council candidate who voted for Alternative 4, the rural citizen private property rights plan on the Planning Commission.

They claim she has a conflict of interest. Not so. If any person sitting on any board has a conflict of interest, they simply recuse themselves from that decision. http://www.realtor.org/.../R_Coe-Pledge-Of-Performance.pdf

Her name is Eileen Quiring. It is an injustice for the trio to discriminate against this proven friend of citizens.

The same pattern is unfolding in this election as the last. Our deputy county manager is contributing $500 to staff surrogates the same way that he contributed to Julie Olson to elect staff representatives in the place of citizen representatives.

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Margaret Tweet Clark County citizens still have the opportunity to consider the qualifications of Eileen Quiring for County Council
Like Reply 4 10 hrs

Jim Mains Madore didn't explain that it's a conflict of interest. She's a realtor
Like Reply 9 hrs

Margaret Tweet From the post above about Eileen Quiring for County Council her professional status is mentioned "holding a current real estate license in Oregon and Washington and currently working as a broker," That does not appear to have prevented her from serving thus far. Her experience could bring missing perspective to the county council
Like Reply 9 hrs

Anna Miller Right Margaret!
http://www.electeneenq.org/
Like Reply 1 10 hrs

Anna Miller And
https://www.facebook.com/Eileen-Quiring-for-County/
Like Reply 1 10 hrs

Don Railsback I can assure all those who hate the corrupt tro on the county council that next week will not be pleasant for them
Like Reply 1 9 hrs

Philip Johnson Oh my goodness there is a smell of politics in the air down at the county building. I would assume this is not the first time that, that smell has permeated the building. I also assume that the previous two years you were the chair, that nothing reeked of politics ever. Nope, no sir the last two years was like attending an Eagle Scout convention, helping little old ladies cross the street, saying the oath, etc. Ms Quiring is a big girl, I am sure she took the news with grace, and continued her quest to be a county councilor. As for the deputy county manager giving his money to whomever he wishes, how is that any business of yours? You probably have noticed that Mr. and Mrs. Mielke have given $500.00 to Ms Quiring, in what way is that right? How can one participate in picking their own replacement? Oh yeah, that's right it's none of my business what the Mielke's do with their money, good for them for participating. Sir, you play the political game quite cunningly, your feigning dismay that others are playing that same game is an insult to any citizen in the county that is paying attention
Like Reply 1 9 hrs

David Madore Philip Johnson, decency and integrity are not a partisan virtues. They are human decency basics. Rather than excusing such corrupt behavior, we ought to stand against bullying and defend those that are unfairly harmed.
Like Reply 2 6 hrs Edited

Anna Miller Yes Tom Mielke endorsed and contributed to Eileen's campaign. However, Tom Mielke will no longer be serving on the Council when the winner is seated. So there is no conflict of interest. Marc and Julie have endorsed Eileen's opponent which is their right. But here we have two seated Councilors who have endorsed Quirings opponent making a decision to remove her from a board that she has been serving on.

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without incident for sometime now Why now? What has changed? Nothing, except she entered the race to run against the person they want to serve with
Like  Reply  4 7 hrs  Edited

Steven Wallace Thanks, this explains a lot
Like  Reply  1 9 hrs

David Knight We aren't giving Jeanie Stewart a pass here are we? Boldt was no suprprise, and Julie hadn't really been vetted But Jeanie was a disaster She makes some noise about David Evans and jumps on the conservative rehab train? She is a closet enabler
Like  Reply