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To: City Manager Mike Housewright
From: Grady White
Reference: Resignation Letter

I am writing this letter to inform you of my intent to resign as the Mount Carmel Chief of Police. I will not be able to continue my employment with this town or police department, due to questionable actions by some of the alderman.

I have had to endure verbal attacks at the Board of Mayor and Alderman meetings from an alderman. This particular alderman also threatened to do so again at future meetings, while speaking with him on the telephone.

This same alderman has also stated the police department would not get any vehicles repaired or any new vehicles until his demands were met. The changes he has demanded are in reference to daily operations of the police department which are in compliance with police department policy and procedure.

Also on 03/04/2019 I made the decision not allow an individual to participate in our department in-service training, in an attempt to insulate the Town of Mount Carmel from any legal liability due to questionable actions on their part which could have negative consequences to the town as well as the police department. This decision was overturned due to demands from at least one alderman.

I am not willing to compromise my integrity, values, or my Oath of Office (to protect the citizens of this town) due to the irrational ideas of some alderman.

At the last BMA meeting certain board members discussed, and made a motion to pass an ordinance which contradicts state law, this ordinance change would jeopardize the safety of the citizens of Mount Carmel. If our police officers comply with these type of ordinances it would require them to abandon the oath they swore to, which is uphold City, State and Federal Law as well as the Constitution of the United States of America.

As Chief of Police I continual face uncertainty of my position for performing my job, which is to protect all of our citizens and keep my officers safe, which displeased certain board members.

It is very evident that my dedication for this calling as a Law Enforcement Officer is not shared by some board members. These are not acceptable conditions that I am willing to work under. I feel that due to all of these situation that I cannot be effective in the position of Chief of Police for the Town of Mount Carmel.

For these reasons my last day at the Mount Carmel Police Department as the Chief of Police will be April 5, 2019.

Sincerely:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Grady White'.

Grady White

03/27/2019