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Re: OMA Request for Review - 2017 PAC 49874

Dear Mr. Jones:

I am the City Attorney for the City of Carlinville, Illinois, and am responding on behalf of the City to the above. Enclosed herein are copies of the emailed notice of the meeting, Agenda, yet unapproved Meeting Minutes and Meeting Attendance sheet.

The meeting on September 25, 2017, was not held or called by the City of Carlinville. It was a regional water meeting held for the purpose of eventually establishing a regional water entity that will provide water to its members. The ground floor members are the City of Carlinville, FWD (Fosterburg Water District) and JCRWC (Jersey County Rural Water Company).

Cindy Campbell, who is an alderman of the City of Carlinville, attended this September 25 meeting as the representative for the City. She had previously been approved and voted to be the City's representative by the Carlinville City Council at one of its regular meetings. Prior thereto at one of its regular meetings, the City Council voted to move forward with the regional water concept. Beth Toon, who is an alderman for the City of Carlinville, attended this September 25 meeting as an observer (a guest) and I believe did speak at the meeting by offering comments and/or propounding questions to the group conducting the meeting. **The City of Carlinville's Mayor, Deanna Demuzio, was also present at the meeting as an observer and did not speak or in any other way participate in the meeting.**

Yes. She did. Six times.

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A video of the September 25, 2017, meeting being complained of by John Kraft can be viewed at the link indicated towards the end of his allegations of Open Meeting Act violations.

Very truly yours,



Rick Bertinetti  
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Enclosures

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