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STATE OF ILLINOIS

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March 29, 2019

*Via electronic mail*  
The Honorable Andrew Gasser  
Commissioner  
Algonguin Township Highway Department  
3702 U.S. Highway 14  
Crystal Lake, Illinois 60014  
agasser@algonquin township.com

RE: FOIA Request for Review – 2019 PAC 57279  
Requester: Ms. Anna May Miller  
Date of FOIA Request: January 29, 2019

Dear Mr. Gasser:

The Public Access Bureau has received the enclosed Request for Review of the response by the Algonquin Township Highway Department (Department) to a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted by Ms. Anna May Miller. We have determined that further action is warranted.

On January 29, 2019, Ms. Miller submitted a FOIA request to the Department seeking copies of her time sheets from January 1, 2017, through May 12, 2017. On February 1, 2019, the Department responded that it had no responsive records. In her Request for Review, Ms. Miller disputes the Department's response.

As required under section 9.5(c) of FOIA (5 ILCS 140/9.5(c) (West 2016)), please provide this office with a detailed written response to the allegations in the Request for Review. In your response, please include a detailed description of the measures taken to search for the records Ms. Miller is seeking, including a description of the specific files, databases, or other recordkeeping systems that were searched, and the specific departments and individuals that were consulted. Additionally, please state whether the Department employed Ms. Miller during the above-referenced time period, and if so, how the Department maintains records of the time she worked. Please also explain how the Department concluded that it does not possess these records.

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**This information must be submitted to our office within seven (7) business days after receipt of this letter.** Under FOIA, "[t]he Public Access Counselor shall forward a copy of the answer to the person submitting the request for review, with any alleged confidential information to which the request pertains redacted from the copy. The requester may, but is not required to, respond in writing[.]" 5 ILCS 140/9.5(d) (West 2016). **If you claim that any portion of your written response is confidential, please send two versions of your response letter: a complete copy for this office's confidential review and a redacted version suitable for this office to forward to the requester.**

Please contact me at (312) 814-5201 if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours, *A*



*Edie Steinberg*  
EDIE STEINBERG  
Assistant Attorney General  
Public Access Bureau *2*

Enclosure

cc: *Via electronic mail*  
Ms. Anna May Miller



March 14, 2019

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Sarah Pratt  
Public Access Counselor  
Office of the Attorney General  
500 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62701

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Dear Ms. Pratt:

I am contacting you as directed by Mr. Andrew Gasser, Algonquin Township Highway Commissioner, as a result of his response to my FOIA's dated January 29, 2019 and February 11, 2019 regarding copies of my time cards.


I was employed by the Algonquin Township Road District from August 1998 until retiring May 12, 2017. I acted as secretary for the Road District, Administrative Assistant to the then Highway Commissioner, Accounts Receivable/Accounts Payable Clerk, Senior Bus Scheduler/Dispatcher and FOIA officer.

During my years of employment no one ever requested copies of anyone's time card. There were FOIA's regarding salaries for various employees but again never a request for time cards. Within the last several weeks two bloggers referring to themselves as the Edgar County Watchdogs have published what they purport to be copies of my time cards. They are attacking my character and integrity based on their interpretation of documents that I am unable to access.

As you can see by Mr. Gasser's response he claims to have no time cards to provide me. As the incoming Highway Commissioner (May 15, 2017), he was the individual with direct access to all these time cards. If he denied the Edgar County Bloggers then where would they have received them and if he provided the Edgar County Bloggers copies of these documents why is he denying me access to these same documents?


Thank you for your assistance in this matter. I await your response.

Sincerely,

  
Anna May Miller

1415 E. Main Street Road

Cary, IL 60013

847-639-5112  


Enclosures

# Open a New Ticket

Please fill in the form below to open a new ticket.

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## Contact Information

Email Address \*

[REDACTED]

Full Name \*

Anna May Miller

Phone Number

[REDACTED]

Ext:

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## Help Topic

FOIA Request ▾ \*

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## FOIA Request

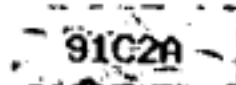
REQUEST FOR RECORDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Request Summary \*

Time Cards

I am requesting copies of time sheets for Anna May Miller from January 1, 2017 through May 12, 2017. Thank you for your assistance.  
Anna May Miller

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Enter the text shown on the image. \*

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**From:** Andrew Gasser <agasser@algonquintownship.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 01, 2019 10:30 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Charles Lutzow; Karen Lukasik  
**Subject:** FOIA Request

Ms. Anna May:

We are in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act request dated 11/29/2018.

As we understand your request, you are seeking:

I am requesting copies of time sheets for Anna May Miller from January 1, 2017 through May 12, 2017.

There are no responsive records.

In the event you find this response to be a denial of your request, which it is not, you may request the Attorney General PAC office review your request by contacting them at the provided address below. You also have the right to judicial review under Section 11 of the Freedom of Information Act.

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Springfield, Illinois 62701  
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Sincerely

Andrew Gasser, Highway Commissioner

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