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SENT VIA CERTIFIED MAIL AND FAX (BPL)

Dear Dr. Brophy,

I would like to have freedom of speech to address your board, but due to the fact that your library director wishes to not follow the Bitterroot Public Library (BPL) policies, mission statement, or Montana Law, I am forced to write you to at a public address.

It was interesting to read the minutes from Ms. Langstaff: the only threat I pose is that I know the truth about the policies and actions of your director. I am highly educated, hold a national security clearance due to working as a federal officer for the US Homeland Security- FEMA for two years. I have never been arrested, but was amused by the staff needing protection from my words. They seemed to have no problem scurrying the sidewalks to get a view of me on Thursday August 20, 2009. I had witnesses, and film.

This letter will discuss Montana Library guidance documents, my sworn statement of no improper conduct in the library, the fact that your district serves more than 25, 000 residents. This requires Ms. Langstaff to have a masters degree in library science. I do not believe she has this degree due to your library posting the district as 24,000.

Ms. Regina Plettenberg is the clerk and recorder for Ravalli County, Montana. She also acts as Election Administrator. She gave me these figures as electors in the areas excluded from the district that is not taxed for the BPL:

Stevensville: 4235  
Lone Rock: 2048  
Florence: 2758

Due to adolescents using your library and not being included in this count, Ms. Plettenberg suggested a 40% increase for those children. I have also tabulated a 25% increase due to the ratio 3:4 which seems to match actual population to the registered voters in Ravalli County (40,000 to 30,000) respectively.

Here is how the numbers come out:

BPL Library district with 25% add for children and non-registered: 28,698  
BPL Library district with 40% add for children and non-registered: 27,979

*Notice that both of these figures are above the criteria of 25,000 in district.*

In the guidance document (150 pages) for Montana Libraries, it states that the Director must have an advanced degree if the District is larger than 25,000. It would require you to remove Ms. Langstaff as Director. A suggestion is to appoint the assistant, Nansu since she has the proper credentials.

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In Montana Law, a taxpayer may use the library:

**22-1-311. Use of library -- privileges.** Every library established under the provisions of this part shall be free to the use of the inhabitants of the city or the county supporting such library. The board may exclude from the use of the library any and all persons who shall willfully violate the rules of the library. The board may extend the privileges and use of the library to persons residing outside of the city or county upon such terms and conditions as it may prescribe by its regulations.

History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 260, L. 1967; R.C.M. 1947, 44-224.

Since the July Board minutes state that the BPL employees are "threatened" and wish to have an order of protection, this constitutes a criminal relationship with the police force (who have tried to arrest my person four (4) times since July 9, 2009). They have not been successful. Please control your staff from further criminal behavior.

A sworn affidavit was composed on June 12, 2009 which states that no violations of BPL policy was conducted, and most importantly, that **Michael Spreadbury has never been asked to leave the library due to misconduct.** The Hamilton Police (all of them) were given a copy of this document, and an interaction with an Officer Sneveley is recorded on film discussing these documents (with a witness).

Dr. Brophy, for your library to refuse privileges is against MCA 22-1-311 as described above. To write a letter to a person banning them from a library and sending it to a police force is false information to a police officer (MCA 45-7-205). To send a police officer to a location to arrest a patron on trespassing is a second count of false information to police, and criminal conspiracy to take civil rights (42 US Code S.1983).

As a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, I would hope that you can see the public service aspect of your service as chairman of the BPL. How is the current director serving the community if she is removing patrons for asking for information, to include a book in a reserve collection, and many other circumstances. The board conducts the overall business, the director does the day to day operation. This does **NOT** include removing taxpayers from their library. It is the director who needs to be removed, not patrons. The library can be sued, as per the same guidance document I refer. Since August 20, 2009 I have an option to bring this issue to Federal Court. Thank you for that option.

As I have told the Hamilton Police, and now you: **I have no desire to enter a public library (BPL) that exhibits such criminal, and non-public service behavior.** I do ask that you control, investigate, and improve the conditions that you have acquired as chairman of the BPL. Please improve its function, and violation of its mission, and policies. Criminalizing patrons will do nothing but stack up more concerns, and liabilities.

On order of protection needs proof of credible threat, and secondly I am not a family member, and Ravalli County seems to require that for these actions.

Michael Spreadbury

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