

ALTA-AURELIA CITIZENS FOR PROGRESS



Town Hall Meeting 9AM June 15, 2024 Lake Creek Golf Course

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Residents and Friends of Alta & Aurelia,

We are the recently formed Alta-Aurelia Citizens for Progress Committee. We are writing again to give you a quick summary and update, and to invite you to our meeting.

As you may have read in the "Call the Sheriff" flier: We brought concerns to School Board President Tom Hinkeldey first in a private email on March 14th, but he said that our request that he call the Sheriff was "unreasonable". We then informed the public about our concerns through the flier, and Hinkeldey again said in a voicemail to us that he does not intend to call the Sheriff and that our requests are ridiculous.

Per Hinkeldey's request, we came to the school board meeting on May 13th. Our consultant, Paul Dorr, spoke on our behalf, letting the audience know that the rules at school board meetings do not allow for productive, fair discussion between guests and the school board. We left after the "community comment" portion of the meeting.

Later on during the May 13th school board meeting, though it was not on the agenda, Superintendent Olhausen chose to bring up an error that we made and correct that error during the meeting, and then posted that on Facebook. We asked Olhausen, though he did not tell us: **Why didn't Olhausen come to us directly any time in the last 2 months with our error? Why did he wait until we were gone, and then bring up this matter to the public?** Olhausen said that his purpose was "reassuring confidence for our patrons in our school board and administrative team, and to hopefully restore damages done to our district and communities due to the content of this flier". **But did correcting our error diminish the need for investigation at all?** We don't see how it would, as many questions remain unanswered.

Olhausen said that the documents listed in his Facebook post are now in the hands of the Sheriff. **But did Olhausen ask the Sheriff for a full investigation?** If he has, we certainly have not heard about it.

We do apologize to you for our error, that we did not realize that the boiler at the Former High School did pass inspection after repairs last fall. **However, this does NOT change the need for explanations of details surrounding the Former High School's flooding in**

January.

Olhausen says that it would be petty for him to go into details of documented events in the flier, but we do not think so. Here are some events that need further explanation:

- Who left a water faucet on, overnight behind locked doors in December? And why?
- **Why did Olhausen tell Ready, Set, GROW Learning Center that he wanted them out of the Former High School by 2025?**
- **Who opened valves on 3rd floor around January 17th, resulting in significant water damage to the building?**
- Who cracked open 3rd floor windows on the coldest days of the year when the boiler was off?
- Why did Superintendent Olhausen have this work done in the bitter cold January, when he knew the boiler would need to be **shut off** for these repairs?
- **Why was there no adequate alternative heat source provided when the boiler was off?**
- Why was the original estimate for records request \$2,200?

We are now planning to hold a community meeting at the Lake Creek Golf Course 9AM on June 15th, and you are all invited. We have invited Superintendent Olhausen and the Alta-Aurelia School Board as well. We would like to also have a civil engineer walk through the Former High School building and tell us what he sees.

Three times we asked Superintendent Olhausen permission for the engineer to tour the building, but he has not granted it. You can read this email on our site.

You can read the initial letter to Tom Hinkeldey, the "Call The Sheriff?" flier, see documents that came from some of our records requests, read communications between Alta-Aurelia Citizens For Progress and school administration, and **sign the petition** asking for an investigation, all at our website: www.Alta-AureliaCFP.com.

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