From: Gary Jackson <GJackson@ashevillenc.gov>
Sent: 10/18/2013 1:15:33 PM
To: Kelley Dickens
Cc: Jaime Matthews, councilgroup, 'Gwen Wisler', 'John Miall', 'Jonathan Wainscott', 'Mike Lanning'
Subject: RE: Information Requested

Kelley – Just to clarify, what was the actual cause of action? Was the lawsuit to reinstate a benefit that was taken away? Or, was this a settlement of a dispute over how payroll calculations of sick leave should be made. My recall of this is dated, but seems like there was a civil service board ruling that influenced how the sick leave was calculated. Was this the case, and how long ago was that? Please verify if you can whether this was a difference of interpretation about how sick leave should be recorded for employees working atypical hours and schedules? Gary

From: Jaime Matthews
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2013 8:35 AM
To: councilgroup; 'Gwen Wisler'; 'John Miall'; 'Jonathan Wainscott'; 'Mike Lanning'
Cc: Gary Jackson
Subject: RE: Information Requested

Mayor, Council and Council Candidates,
Please see responses to a request for information below.
Thank you,
Jaime

Could you please provide the group with the following information.

There was a Federal Law suite filed by members of the Asheville Police Department a couple of years ago reference to the city taking away a benefit (earned sick time).

1. Provide the name of law firm the City of Asheville used to represent the city. McGuire Wood & Bissette, PA. File then transferred to Ward & Smith, PA when primary attorney changed firms.

2. The cost to hire the law firm including any fee and or payment associated with the law firm ? Total legal expenses $124,604.11.

3. The cost and or any fees the City of Asheville had to pay the attorney representing the Asheville Police Officers ? $32,500

From: Mike Lanning [mailto:electmikelanning@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2013 11:56 AM
To: Jaime Matthews
Subject: Information Requested

Hey Jamie,

Could you please provide the group with the following information.

There was a Federal Law suite filed by members of the Asheville Police Department a couple of years ago reference to the city taking away a benefit (earned sick time).

Could you please provide the group with the following.

1. Provide the name of law firm the City of Asheville used to represent the city.

2. The cost to hire the law firm including any fee and or payment associated with the law firm ?

3. The cost and or any fees the City of Asheville had to pay the attorney representing the Asheville Police Officers ?

Thanks

Mike Lanning