

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Nikki McCullough [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, July 10, 2020 1:14 AM

To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>

Subject: Chief of Police

My family and I support Chief Cummins and the entire Prineville police department 100 percent. Please do not let Josie Stanfield ruin this good man's life. Please do not give in to her demands, or settle a lawsuit. I hope you make sure he has excellent legal counsel. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, The McCullough family

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On Jul 8, 2020 22:32, [REDACTED] wrote:

City Council Members,

I am a resident of Prineville, I was born and raised in this amazing town. I appreciate Prineville and it's way of life for the most part, which leads into my question.

How is Chief Cummings' facebook video from the Prineville Police Department page being handled and why has nothing been done?

While I don't approve of how many things have been handled lately, mask and social distancing requirements or the BLM movement, Chief Cummings' video has gone too far. I've watched the initial video from Josie that was incredibly harsh, I've also watched and read Tierra Bilbruck confirm the things said in Josie's video. No one knows what was said except the people in that room, so it's been confusing. When has it ever been acceptable for a police Chief to use their position to attack a person on social media or in the press? It is incredibly unprofessional and completely out of line. Not only has he put an entire family in danger and refused to protect them, he has created an environment in Prineville that allows the people to act upon their dislike of people of color and feel there will be no consequence.

I understand Prineville is not a diverse town and already has a resistance to diversifying Crook County, Chief Cummings has used that to his advantage and it's appalling. As a public servant you don't get to pick and choose who you protect, you don't get to police according to the loudest majority. The families of color and the multiracial families in this town deserve to feel safe and protected just like every other family and that is no longer in place. I hope the council members can read this with an open mind, realize this is coming from a mother who lives and works in this community while raising a biracial child, a mother who no longer feels safe and has experienced the brazen comments from this community after Chief Cummings' video was posted.

I appreciate your time.

Amanda Kamaunu

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

-----Original Message-----

From: Elaine [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, July 9, 2020 2:31 PM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: For City Council Meeting

I'm putting my two cents in...

I'm for the Police Dept, and I hope the Mayor and City Council is also, a lot of people will be tuning in to the upcoming meeting. I

Elaine Taaffe

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, July 9, 2020 3:00 PM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: City Council meeting - Firing of Chief Cummins

Prineville City Council

Regarding the protest, demanding the firing of Prineville Police Chief Cummins, because he refused to "take a knee" and other accusations, sound exactly like a child who does not get her way and gathers friends in hopes of success with demands.

(Frankly, I'm tired of hearing the "F" word the protestors use and call anyone who does not agree with them ignorant).

I've not had a lot of interaction with the Prineville Police Department or officers, and have never heard any negative remarks. Their presence is greatly appreciated as is the County Sheriff's Office. Prineville is a lovely town that is rapidly growing, and the residents nor Police Dept. must not be held responsible for happenings from the beginning history of Prineville, or what happens in other cities and states.

It would be a tragic loss if City Council were to fire Police Chief Cummins on the demands of a person who did not get their way.

Thank you,
Barbara Kwiatkowski

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: REGINA BISHOP [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 8:41 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Chief Cummins and Officer Gray

Just thought I would drop a note to let you know how awesome I think our police force is. In watching the videos that I have I must say both have handled themselves with the utmost respect that a person could. For someone to get right in your face and antagonize you as much as that person did to officer Gray, I give Mr Gray a big pat on the back for the way he handled the situation and thank you for not giving in to their requests by taking down that video. Seems they had to go in search of anguish and discontent beings they had no counter protesters shouting back at them, but they turn the table and say we are the angry prejudice ones. With all that being said, when will it all end? Our small town should not have to continually put up with the slander that is happening to us. It is unbelievable that this Josie girl has set up a GOFUNDME account on facebook slandering our police department! So far she has gathered 2600.00 to go for what.....her personal use?? I wish it would all end they need to go away and not come back, leave our police force alone and our town alone. Seems to me they are trying their best to call in the rioter forces as they keep posting that they have been threatened saying "This is the THIRD Central Oregon civil rights activist and person of color to receive death threats out of Prineville, and the third to be dismissed by PPD." This needs to come to a stop. I know answers are hard to come by and only so much can be done, but I hope this stops and don't escalate into anything that they want it to.

Thank You
Thank You PPD
Regina Bishop

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Barbara Gadotti [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 9:37 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Police Chief Support

I am writing this email to show support of our Police Chief. I am not in favor of any one person or an organization claiming special privileges because of their race or political convictions. My late husband and I moved here over 20 years ago. This is a welcoming community and not a bit racist. We all have experienced issues throughout life that may not seem fair etc but just because this occurs does not mean "racism". No one or their minions have the "right" to push their ideas or agenda on our community. If they presented their issue(s) in a respectful way and did not make DEMANDS because of their race or other ideas then issues could be discussed and resolved.

I am asking the City Council to support Chief Cummins. He has done so much for the community and runs a smooth police dept. Our police are all great and I am very proud of the work they do in their policing and community involvement.

DO NOT ALLOW CHIEF CUMMINS TO RESIGN.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gadotti
[REDACTED]

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: paul snyder [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 11:31 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Chief Cummins

We have been taxpayers of Prineville for over 40 years. We are proud of our community and the support we have for one another.

We support Chief Cummins. He has OUR backs.

It's very sad the way the world has succumbed to the violet ways of the present. We do not need that in our community and we need to keep these folks at bay. Do they even have any idea what they're protesting? Just a way to cause trouble and get attention.

Please give your whole support to our Chief. He's a good man and what Prineville needs

Thank you
Paul and Cathy Snyder

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Mrs. Sorensen [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 8:16 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: PPD Chief Dale Cummins

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in regards to the recent protests and calls for the removal of Chief Dale Cummins of the Prineville Police Department. It is my strong opinion that it would be most decidedly against the best interest of our community to remove Chief Cummins from his position as PPD's Chief. Chief Cummins

has repeatedly displayed how dedicated he is to doing his best to make our community the best that it can be. The lies and slander from one angry woman should not be allowed to tarnish the name, reputation, and position Chief Cummins represents nor our good town. Chief Cummins and everyone under him have shown that they care for every member of our community, regardless of the color of their skin, just as they should.

Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

Regards,

Ali Sorensen

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

-----Original Message-----

From: Aaron Mapes [redacted]
Sent: Sunday, July 5, 2020 11:18 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Support for Prineville First Responders

Just want to add our family's voice to the chorus of support for the Prineville Police Department, Crook County Sheriff's Office, and all of our other first responders who serve and protect our community well. We reject the calls for leadership of any of those agencies to resign, and we request our city and county leaders to strongly consider looking past those emotional and unwarranted calls to action and focus on the character, record and integrity of those who continue to serve and care for our community. Thank you for your support of our law enforcement agencies which continue to endure unwarranted slander and libel due to the emotional politics going on nationally.

At the same time, we strongly support the freedom of expression for those groups and the protection of First Amendment rights for them to assemble regardless of how misguided and wrong they might be of those they are demonstrating against.

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: will campo [mailto:[redacted]]
Sent: Sunday, July 5, 2020 11:20 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Our Police

I am writing this to voice my support for our Police Chief and the entire police department. They have done an amazing job in the handling of the protests here. I have watched the video of the person who has made complaints about her meeting with the Chief. I believe the video she made in response to the Chief's video says all I need to know. Her language and hostility tell me she is a trouble maker looking for attention. I love our Police.

Sincerely

[redacted]

(541) 260-0799

Address submitted: Crook County (Outside City Limits)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, July 5, 2020 11:22 AM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Supporting our city

I support Prineville and our police.

Prineville citizens care about others, will stop and help others regardless of beliefs, economic or racial differences.

My mixed race grand children are always welcomed and safe here.

We have a wonderful community here. Outreach programs abound and are privately supported.

I am a vet, member of the VFW, and Prineville Band of Brothers.

And I stand for our flag. Kneel if you want. It's freedom.

Bob Stephens
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Prineville Oregon

Address Submitted: Outside Crook County

From: Elizabeth Martin [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, July 5, 2020 1:09 PM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Protests

As an owner of property in Prineville, though I now reside in Bend, I am tired of the hatred and commotion not just in prineville, but all over America. I feel it's time, despite Covid, to have a community town hall meeting. Let's let both sides and those of us who see all sides, come together and try to discuss reasonable and equitable changes. Yes it's going to be hard. Yes there is going to be screaming. Yes this is going to take months if not years to completely iron out. But it is a conversation that needs to happen with the elected officials of the city and county. This "protest" does nothing but set hackles up on all sides. The word peaceful does not exist on either side any more. The upheaval happening every time BLM announces their

intentions is far from productive. It's costing valuable money that we all know we do not have to spend and it keeps funding that could be spent in discussion of actual change, from where it truly needs to be.

If the city/county needs help to facilitate these discussions, please do not hesitate to ask. I for one have done work with the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension on community development and as an Independent I am willing to plan and moderate if needed.

We all agree the current "protests" with threats of violence are not doing a damn bit of good and for the most part are falling on deaf ears. Please. Let's end this nightmare and start productive discussions that can actually lead to changes that we can all grudgingly agree on.

Thank you!
Elizabeth Batterson

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Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Phyllis Bitner [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 1:15 PM
To: _COPR-City-Council <COPR-City-Council@cityofprineville.com>
Subject:

Mr. Mayor,

I am writing this in support of our local police department. I feel our police chief has done nothing wrong by sharing the item in question on social media.

I truly hope and pray that our city leaders stand behind our officers in this matter.

I think it is time to put a stop to these outside trouble makers from coming in to our town and trying to tell us how we are to run our city. This is going to continue until someone gets hurt if it isn't stopped.

I have lived in this town since 1958 and never once have I ever considered Prineville to be a racist community. I feel all people have been welcomed into Prineville. After all it is the small town atmosphere that most people enjoy about our community. And, I for one wish to keep it that way.

sincerely
Mrs. Phyllis Bitner

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: David Kennel [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 12:16 PM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: Support our Police Chief

Prineville City Counsel;

I'm writing to you as a show of support for our local police department and Chief Cummins. Please do not give in to the few vocal anti-police protesters. I know they have been receiving funds from anti-police supporters and have free attorneys on hand to bring false lawsuits in the hope that you'll pay off or give in to their demands. Please don't do this. Stand firm. If the City needs funds to fight this lawsuit start a go fund me page. I know there are organizations that will help cities fight frivolous lawsuits. You might want to try the Heritage Foundation to see if they can refer you to any law firms that can help if this is needed.

I'm sure the majority of Prineville and Crook County residences support our law enforcement community and I urge you to support them.

Respectfully:

David Kennel
[REDACTED]

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Nikki McCullough [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, July 4, 2020 3:19 PM
To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>
Subject: BLM protests

Hello, is there any way to stop having these ongoing protests every weekend? In addition to the cost for our town, it is causing the citizens a great deal of anxiety and anger. We get it, really we do. Black lives matter, changes need to be made, but holy cats this is ridiculous. Can we limit these protests to once a year? Thanks! Sincerely, Nikki Mccullough

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Deb Hicks [REDACTED]

Subject: Supporting cheif Cummins and all the other officers

Just want to say you guys are doing a awesome job here in Prineville and appreciate all you guys have to deal with all this unnecessary protests. Thank you for protecting our town.

Address Submitted: Within City Limits

From: Donna Bates [REDACTED]

Sent: Saturday, July 4, 2020 3:26 PM

To: City hall email - group <cityhall@cityofprineville.com>

Subject: PPD deserve a raise!

Chief Dale Cummins and our local law enforcement DESERVE an income increase/bonus for protecting our community during this mess and for NOT taking a knee.

I have other suggestions for the protesters but I do not know the law, so I will leave that to you.

Thank you to each and every one of our law enforcement team.

Donna Bates and Wayne Breese

6 July 2020

City of Prineville Mayor and Council;

I have sat in my home day after day trying to be a good citizen and not stir up trouble. I have had enough. My cup is overflowing. All lives matter. Mine matters and everyday I see my way of life slipping away, the pandemic, the rioting and burning of our buildings, the tearing down and removing the history that has made us who we are today. Yes, some of our history is sad, but it is still history. Do I quietly sit by and let a small group of individuals take over my country? Absolutely not!

I have quarantined myself, washed my food purchased from the grocery stores, stayed away from my grandchildren and their families. I wear a mask in public, I stay 6 feet apart, wash my hands multiple times a day, try hard to be a good citizen. But really???? I cannot sit still and not express my opinion about the protesting that is tearing apart our community. The community I love and am proud of. I have spent some time online looking at both sides of this issue. Each side has good points and each side are just nasty to each other.

I personally feel that Ms. Stanfield needs to be thankful she lives here in Prineville. I am sorry that she is worried, but I feel that is pretty much self-inflicted.

I grew up in Prineville since 1951. We have changed a lot over the years. We are more accepting of people that might be different than the majority of residents than we were so many years ago.

I have always been color blind to the color of anyone's skin. I love what is in their heart and soul. We as Americans should be able to look past the color we are, white, black and mixed.

I am standing behind MY Police Chief Mr. Cummins. I did not see or hear the first sit down with him and Ms. Stanfield. I watched his recording he had, calling her out for twisting what he said. I was satisfied with it.

I do not have time to worry myself over him and Josie and you should not either.

I know most of you and I know where you think this is going. I implore you to think what is the best for all. Can we make changes, yes. Can we improve, yes. This crazy world is out of control.

General Flynn recently stated, and I quote "if we don't act, 2% of the people are about to control the other 98%, unquote. He was also quoted with the following,"

The more I've thought about this phrase, the more I believe it. There is now a small group of passionate people working hard to destroy our American way of life. Treason and treachery are rampant and our rule of law and those law enforcement professionals who uphold our laws are under the gun more than at any time in our nation's history. These passionate 2 percent appear to be winning.

I do not want our town nor our country to scrape so low, that we give in to every individual that thinks they have a right to have what they want. Maybe I should go and throw a fit on the street corner and see if the police come and see what I was proving.

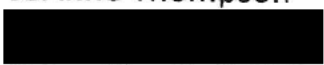
Yes, they have a right to protest.

No, they do not have a right to keep our police chief, Mr. Cummins, from doing his duty of protecting the people of this city.

Remember, you might want to be re elected and I have a pen.

Sincerely,


JoAnne Thompson


Prineville, Or 97754