

Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury)

From: Workman, Wayne (TREASURY)
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 3:32 PM
To: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury)
Cc: Saxton, Thomas (Treasury)
Subject: Re: pastor harris

They are trying to make a complicated subject very simple needs a longer conversation

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On Feb 5, 2015, at 3:17 PM, Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury) <StantonT@michigan.gov> wrote:

Since you two weren't on this...thought I'd since DM is being pretty direct. That said, I'm fairly certain the \$2m grant funds can only be used for what the application described...but I will leave sharing that nugget to one of you guys...above my pay grade ;)

From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 3:11 PM
To: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury); Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Murray, David (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
Subject: RE: pastor harris

Only problem with that is that the citizens of Flint say they are paying more now than they did when they were connected with DWSD. The city, after all, is not giving the water away free right now, so there is some kind of equalization that comes into play here. Additionally, we just gave them \$2M so if we need to use it for a reconnect that's probably a good use of the money as opposed to people refusing to use city water. Since we're in charge, we can hardly ignore the people of Flint. After all, if GM refuses to use the water in their plant and our own agencies are warning people not to drink it, another expressing continuing concern over quality, and the differential between what we now collect and what we would pay DWSD is not significant, we look pretty stupid hiding behind some financial statement.

From: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury)
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 2:19 PM
To: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ); Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
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Would add that the city (Earley, Ambrose, etc.) have been unequivocal that doing so would cost at least \$1m per month...per the DWSD "offer" ...and the city simply cannot afford that.

I have also heard that the city no longer owns a section of pipeline that would have to be used in making any re-connection...making that more difficult and expensive.

From: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2015 2:15 PM
To: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV); Murray, David (GOV); Wurfel, Sara (GOV)
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Thoughts on this? Who responds? How?

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Subject: pastor harris

Brad:

I just spoke with Pastor Harris, the president of the Concerned Pastors for Social Action. He said the group asked that Flint be immediately re-connected to Lake Huron water during yesterday's meeting and is expecting a response of some kind by the beginning of next week.

Would you or Dave Murray want to comment on whether that's under consideration?

I just wanted you guys to know what he's saying – without equivocation – in the story.

Thanks,

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