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H-22-156 Referral Information**Hotline ID:** H-22-156**Date of Submission:** 5/2/2022**Entity Type:** Local**Entity Category Type:** City/Town**Entity:** Lind, Town of**Sub Entity Name:**

Category: Budget Compliance
Conflict of Interest/Ethic Laws
Danger to the Public Health and Safety
Grants (Federal)
Grants (State/Local)
Misappropriation of Assets
Misuse of Staff
Open Public Meetings and Records

1-2 sentence description of concern: Town money isn't being handled properly by mayor of Lind. Mayor Paula bell treats community members rudely unprofessional and doesn't follow ordinance or RCW. Paula is trying to use covid funds and town money on pavement of roads when the towns water is un-drinkable, and our sewer lines are broken

Report Issued: No**Reporting Type:** Verbal Resolution**Report Number:****Investigation Contracted:** No**Contract Number:****Contract Name:****Billing Time Code:****Costs:****Public Records Request:** No**Flag For Annual Report:** No**Substantiated:** No**ARRA:** No**Action:** Referred to Audit Team - Consider Next Audit**Audit Team:** Tri-Cities**Audit Team Contact:** waltmang@sao.wa.gov**cc:****Referral Date:** 5/3/2022**Action Taken:** No**Response Date:****Report Date:****Follow Up Date:****Date Closed:** 5/12/2022

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Hotline ID: H-22-156

Date of Submission: 5/2/2022

Submission Method: Web

Submission Type: Citizen

Staff:

Author(Last, First): Briana

Address: Osborn

City: Lind

State: WA **Zip:** 99341

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

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Can Contact: Yes

Contact: Mobile Phone

Preference: Email

Anonymous: No

Waived Confidentiality: Yes

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What state or local organization is involved?

Please identify the specific concerns you are hoping the audit will address.

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Please provide a detailed description of the assertion or outstanding achievement, including who, when, where, what, how and how much.

Town money isn't being handled properly by mayor of Lind. Mayor Paula bell treats community members rudely unprofessional and doesn't follow ordinance or RCW. Paula is trying to use covid funds (town fund improperly) and town money on pavement of roads when the towns water is un-drinkable, and our sewer lines are deteriorating, she and other council members are cussing, shouting, treating citizens of Lind at town meetings horrible! Listen to the town recordings and ask for Ritzville journals opinion especially on the Osborn meter issue that happend! She has also made decisions without council approval or knowledge. Leading to my meter/house situation.

How did this issue come to your attention?

When Paula Bell trided to steal over \$5000 from me and my family, then treated me as if i wasnt a human being. Harassment of myself and my family.

**What employee(s), contractors, etc., were involved in the assertion or achievement?
Please include employee titles if possible.**

Mayor of Lind Paula Bell Council members Jim Dorshak and Myra Horton

Please provide the names of any witnesses to the assertion or achievement, if possible.

Ritzville Journal, over 100 members of the town of Lind, as well as members of Ritzville. Marianne Lazenby Michael Lazenby, Cameron Osborn, Jamie Schmunk, Denise snead, the list goes on and on.

Please provide any additional details or comments that would help us understand your assertion or achievement.

I want the misuse of power to stop, the mistreatment, the destruction of our town, the feeling afraid to go into thr town office alone or without recording. I want to trust and feel safe with my elected officials not harassed and bullied by them! Paula Bell after 10 years in an office should know better and do better... she is treating people so badly locals are leaving and ready to sell there long lines of family homes!!

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Activity
Log
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Entry Date ▼	Log Entry
05/12/2022	Referral updated by 'JEANA Gillis (gillisj)'.
05/12/2022	– Citizen did not answer phone. Concern is also about use of COVID funds being used for paving roads rather than clean water. Town asserts no funds have been spent and project has not yet been decided on. Paving or re-paving roads could be allowable under the “clean water – other sewer infrastructure category. We reviewed expenditure reports in FAP and did not identify any 2021 expenditures related to this. We do not have 2022 data. This hotline is similar to H-22-152. This hotline is closed. We are unable to review expenditures because none have occurred yet. --waltmang
05/11/2022	Called citizen - no answer --olearyd
05/03/2022	Referral updated by 'JEANA Gillis (gillisj)'. Action changed from (not set) to Referred to Audit Team - Consider Next Audit.