

To: The Hoonah City Council Members

26 January 198

From: Lisa D. Luse

On the eighth of January, 1988 there was a meeting at City Hall with Trooper Clemons, Lt. Carson, VPSO Coodinator Brent Moody, Gerald Mayeda and Mike Taveliero present. Mayor Liv Gray was originally supposed to attend, but was not called when the meeting was in session, though she was awaiting the call at the Cultural Center. VPSO Luse was called after the meeting had been in session after an hour and a half. I accompanied VPSO Jeff Luse to City Hall, but I was excluded from the meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting I was admitted into the Council Room and I informed Trooper Clemons that I had a grievance letter to submit to the City Council.

It was to my understanding that the Troopers had re-clarified with Gerald Mayeda that the VPSO is to work no more than 37.5 hrs. weekly. Jeff decided at this time he would type memos to all his supervisors describing the call outs that he performed proving his overtime is valid. Another point was made concerning whether or not the VPSO could call the Troopers when having supervisory problems with Mayeda or Roger Purcell. It was then made clear to VPSO Luse that under no circumstance could Mayeda fire or have gotten the VPSO fired even if Mayeda had threatened to do so. At which Mayeda had admitted to saying that at one time he told VPSO Luse that he could have him fired. VPSO Luse had been threatened more than once.

VPSO LUse had been in the Public Safety Building sometime between 9p.m. and midnight of the eighth of January to get a copy of the work schedule. On the way home, Jeff and I saw Officer Steve Rousculp performing building checks, so Jeff stopped to show Steve the incorrect schedule. Jeff informed Steve that there had been a meeting today with the Troopers and Mayeda had been instructed to conform to the regulation concerning the VPSO work hours. According to Steve, there were no instructions left to him regarding the present schedule, so it would remain the way it was written. Officer Rousculp was to be the Officer in charge when Mayeda and Purcell went to Chicago.

Jeff reported to work the next day at 8:00a.m. on Saturday the 9th of Jan. as the schedule indicated. Since the first week of

January was already over, the second week on the schedule showed 49 hrs., the third week showed 49 hrs., and the fourth week showed 42 hrs., with the first week of February shown as 41 hrs. The Alaska State Troopers Academy started the first week of Feb. and Jeff would have attended it at this time. Jeff called Trooper Clemons to inform him that the schedule was indicating more hours than allowed. Trooper Clemons requested from Jeff to send a copy of the schedule immediately.

To my understanding, Mayeda and Purcell were to be on the 8:00a.m. flight to Juneau on the 9th of Jan. If they had not missed their flight and come into the station, Jeff would not have had the opportunity to inform his supervisor that the schedule had to be changed or a copy of the schedule would be sent to Trooper Clemons in suspicion of violation of the VPSO regulation.

Since Mayeda was informed that 37.5 hrs. are the maximum work hours that could be performed by the VPSO unless comp. time was resumed within the next couple of days, the schedule should have been changed before Mayeda and Purcell even attempted to board a plane to Juneau, destination, Chicago. By chance they missed the first plane which gave VPSO LUse the opportunity to inform him of the schedule, otherwise they would have gone on to Juneau and left Jeff to work overtime again disregarding what Trooper Clemons had re-emphasized just the day before.

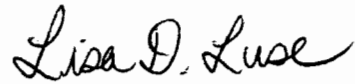
The schedule was changed again, but neither the old or the new revised one take into consideration the extra call out for EMS, Fire, and SAR. For example, after midnight, early morning of the 24th of Jan., Jeff assisted Officer Bolton with a call to the residence of Mona Brown in regards to a possible patient transport, proceeding this was a call to the Huna Totem Lodge for a disturbance, then suspicious people in front of L. Kane's, and finally a return to the residence of Mona Brown which resulted in a patient transport to Sitka. The case with the patient transport to Sitka required 12 hours on the ferry and a overnight stay which occurred on the 24th of Jan. The day Jeff was to return to Hoonah, Trooper Clemons called Jeff at the hotel in Sitka and informed him that Roger Purcell was going to sue the Alaska State Troopers.

As I have stated before, The Hoonah Public Safety Department has been so overwhelmed with Administrative problems in the few

months that I have been a resident, a total of 4 months. I am convinced that these problems will continue unless an investigation is conducted and action is taken towards those directly responsible. Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,

Lisa D. Luse

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa D. Luse".

cc: Mayor Liv Gray