



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Villages at Mt. Hood Board of Directors
PO Box 142
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Dear Board members:

Thank you for your work on behalf of the mountain community. The Board of Commissioners recognizes that part of the hard work of participating in the Villages is that there are times when the BCC and the communities cannot agree on all matters, despite thoughtful and diligent efforts by all involved. The Sandra Palmer case is such a time.

Regarding the issue of payment to Sandra Palmer for her Visitor Information Center, the enclosed letter of August 26, 2010 from Scott Ciecko, Assistant County Counsel, states the County's position on the matter:

"In addition, I am writing to inform you that Clackamas County will not be offering any payment to Ms. Palmer in response to either of her claims. After discussing this matter with County employees who were involved with Ms. Palmer, I can find no legal basis for her demands"

As Ms. Palmer's attorney has threatened litigation, pursuant to County policy, we will not comment any further on the matter.

This letter is intended to clarify and bring closure to the issue for all parties and allow both the Villages Board and the Board of County Commissioners to continue to work together on future matters.

Thank you again for your time and efforts on behalf of your community. Please continue your work with the community and continue to communicate the results of that work to us.

Sincerely,

Lynn Peterson, Chair
On Behalf of the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners

Enclosure

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