Name--Buzz Caverly

I've been a resident and taxpayer of Corinth since 1977. I have assisted and supported the town whenever I could.

I have never attended a selectperson's board meeting with concerns until now. I am here today with these concerns.

About 2 weeks ago, an individual stopped by my house to drop off a town report book also mentioning a petition that was being circulated that was critical of our town manager and was signed by 200 people, with the purpose of firing him. I had not heard of the petition, so decided to go to the selectperson's meeting on the 14th. On the 16th I received a call from a selectperson asking me why I had come to the meeting. I responded that I had heard of a petition and thought I would see if there would be a discussion on the matter. The person then started to complain that the town manager was mean to person at meetings. That he lied to this person and lied to others about said person. I responded that it should be between the two of them to work out and didn't want to be in the middle of it without hearing both sides.

ABOUT THE PETITION

I have not seen and do not know what specific concerns were expressed on the petition. I have heard from other individuals since about grievances that are being expressed. Grievances such as:

1. Town manager is not a residence of Corinth.  [NOTE-He was

3. Lobbied for specific candidates to be voted for at town election.

4. Improper taxing of heatpumps in homes.

5. He should be receiving out of town bids for road maintenance contracts.

6. Firemen suggested using Hammond Lumber plans for construction of new fire house and was upset with Travis when selectboard preferred using an architech to do the planning to ensure all things were up to code.

7. Dismissed and replaced code officer. [note town report recorded subject resigned]

PETITIONS

There are 2 types of petition.

1. Well written and factual and placed at proper locations around town for all residence of town to see. Locations such as town office or local businesses where acceptable to the management.

2. And there is the back door approach where a few individuals walk the petition around on a selective basis and ask for individual they feel would agree to sign it. Case in point, on the McCard Rd. one individual was asked to sigh it, while 3
individuals in close proximity was not aware of it's existence. Myself included.

FINELY

Petitions should not be acted on until reviewed and investigated for accuracy.

I personally, as of this time, am of the belief that this petition could be nothing more than a witch hunt from a few individuals who are vindictive and want the town manager gone. I have heard that one member of the board wants a relative who works for the town to become town manager. If this is true, this is nepotism, and is wrong.

I have no reason not to support Travis 100% at this time. From what I have observed during his time as town manager, he is efficient, honest, smart, and dedicated to his job.

The town staff and contractors are top notch and provide exceptional serves for the town. For example, the town office staff, Fire Department, Recreation Department, and Waste Disposal area. I often say to my friends if you want a good time, take a ride to the dump. Allen and his staff have a nasty job dealing with all our trash. But they stay positive and have patience with us, and alway greets us with a smile and a jolly goodbye.

A good staff is a reflection of a good manager. Travis is a good manager and Corinth is a good town we all love living in. Let's work out any issues we may have and support him and keep our
town moving forward for the benefit of everyone.

Thanks for allowing me the opportunity to speak and hearing me out.