Respondent Name

Abraham Meyer

Complainant Name

Conner Edwards

Complaint Description

Conner Edwards reported via the portal (Tue, 20 Feb 2024 at 4:16 PM)

Description of Complaint

This candidate failed to timely file the required 21-day pre-primary C4 report, the required 7-day pre-primary C4 report, and the required post-primary C4 report.

By any objective measure, it is unacceptable that the PDC would take no action to help bring this filer into compliance now that the statute of limitations is rapidly approaching. The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of candidates and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the candidates themselves.

I have tried many different times to get the PDC to take action on this type of issue with no tangible results whatsoever. At one point, I believe the agency discussed the possibility of internally flagging non-filers in the PDC's system and proactively reaching out to them to bring them into compliance, but it appears this is not happening.

Having exhausted all of my other options to pursue reform, the only remaining option available to me to compel the agency to take action here is to file PDC complaints against these noncompliant filers in an effort to force the agency to take action.

By highlighting the agency's failure to meaningfully enforce current reporting deadlines, my hope is that the agency will look to improve its own enforcement procedures and help candidates and treasurers comply with the law.

Notice to Respondents:

I apologize to you for any inconvenience caused by this complaint; it is not my intention.

No campaign treasurer or campaign/committee is perfect. Trying to comply with the myriad of requirements and deadlines the PDC enforces can be extremely difficult, even for those who have been doing this for years. The agency could adopt any number of strategies to help filers "get it right" when it comes to deadlines and other requirements. Some of these strategies might include: a) automated electronic filing reminders to a filer when they have missed a deadline, b) mandatory attendance in a PDC training course before a person is allowed to serve as treasurer, c) giving filers 48 hours to file 21- & 7-day pre-election reports as opposed to the 24 hours candidates currently get, and d) improvements to the ORCA online campaign finance filing system to improve useability.

In my opinion, the agency has failed to provide many filers with the knowledge and tools that they need to file reports on time and be compliant.

If you are confused by the filing requirements that the agency enforces or are experiencing technical difficulties and/or usability issues with the ORCA system, please be sure to indicate this in your response to the PDC: your comments will provide valuable feedback for the agency.

What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?

Because this candidate has not timely filed one or more required reports, members of the public are unable to view up to date financial information, significantly reducing transparency available to voters.

The PDC has an obligation to provide transparency to the voters by enforcing filing requirements. The agency's failure to actively monitor the filings of candidates and enforce filing requirements damages both the public and the candidates themselves.

It is imperative that PDC staff reach out to this candidate immediately to bring them into compliance.

List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found PDC Website.

List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them

See respondent contact info on PDC website.

Certification (Complainant)

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that information provided with this complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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Abraham Meyer - 2023

Candidate Information

Office: FIRE COMMISSIONER

Jurisdiction: LEWIS FIRE PROT DIST 06

Registration: May 26, 2023

Address: po box 371 CHEHALIS, WA 98532

Email: abemeyer2004@yahoo.com

Phone: 3607702526

Financial Information

No data available.



Reports

Candidate's Personal Financial Affairs disclosure

Candidate's surplus funds account

Spending for and against this candidate Independent Expenditures

Independent expenditures are made by third parties that are not part of a candidate's campaign.

No Independent Expenditures reported.

Campaign Finance Reports

See the reports filed by the candidate. Reports with a strikethrough were amended by another report.

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Abraham Meyer

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Registration Filed

Candidate Full Reporting Submitted date: 05/26/2023 Certified by abemeyer2004@yahoo.com 2023 MEYEA--777

Candidacy

Abraham Meyer Lewis Fire Prot Dist 06 Fire Commissioner Position Fire Commissioner Position 2 abemeyer360@gmail.com

Bank Information

Umpqua Bank 534 Nw Chehalis Ave Chehalis, WA 98532 To schedule books review contact abemeyer360@gmail.com

Officers

Abraham Meyer

Candidate Treasurer Po Box 371 Chehalis, WA 98532 abemeyer360@gmail.com 3607702526

Attachments

Name

Description

Lewis County Auditor | Elections | August 1, 2023 Primary

The "Estimated Ballots Left to Count" does not include ballots postmarked on or before Election Day that may continue to arrive through the mail, ballots with signature issues that must be corrected before they can be counted, or ballots picked up at drop boxes on Election Day.

A write-in candidate might not appear in election results if the total number of write-in votes is too small to affect the outcome of the election. (RCW 29A.60.021)

August 1, 2023 Primary

Last updated on 08/14/2023 4:26 PM

| Number of Precincts | 72 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Number of Registered Voters | 35,132 |
| Total Ballots Counted | 8,957 |
| Estimated Ballots Left to Count | |
| Next Ballot Count On | FINAL |
| Last Tabulated | 08/14/2023 4:26 PM |
| Voter Turnout | 25.5% |
| Certification Date | 08/15/2023 |
| Export Results | CSV · XML Precincts CSV |

City/Town

| CENTRALIA CITY Council Position 1 | At-Large | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % |
| Steven Hubbard | 480 | 21.54% |
| Chris Brewer | 1,084 | 48.65% |
| Russell Barr | 632 | 28.37% |
| WRITE-IN | 32 | 1.44% |
| Total Votes | 2,228 | |
| Precinct Results » | · · · · · | |

| CENTRALIA CITY Council Position 2 At-Large | | | |
|--|-------|--------|--|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % | |
| Kelly Smith Johnston | 1,229 | 54.14% | |
| Leah Daarud | 218 | 9.6% | |

| Joyce Barnes | 601 | 26.48% |
|--------------------|-------|--------|
| Anthony Ahrens | 204 | 8.99% |
| WRITE-IN | 18 | 0.79% |
| Total Votes | 2,270 | |
| Precinct Results » | | |

| MORTON CITY Council Position 1 | | |
|--------------------------------|------|--------|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % |
| Jason Sawyer | 96 | 44.24% |
| Dennis Morningstar | 60 | 27.65% |
| Aubrey Grantham | 53 | 24.42% |
| WRITE-IN | 8 | 3.69% |
| Total Votes | 217 | |
| Precinct Results » | | |

| WINLOCK CITY Council Position 3 | | |
|---------------------------------|------|--------|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % |
| Shelly Allen | 17 | 7.87% |
| Eric Contreras | 62 | 28.7% |
| Jodie Curtis | 134 | 62.04% |
| WRITE-IN | 3 | 1.39% |
| Total Votes | 216 | |
| Precinct Results » | | |

| CASTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401 Director District At Large (4) *Multi-county race. Results include only Lewis County. | | | |
|---|------|--------|--|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % | |
| Levi Godinho | 79 | 30.62% | |
| Gary Stoner | 105 | 40.7% | |
| Tracy Morgan | 68 | 26.36% | |
| WRITE-IN | 6 | 2.33% | |
| Total Votes | 258 | | |
| Multi-county Results » Precinct Results » | | | |

CHEHALIS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 302 Director District 5 At-Large

| Candidate | Vote | Vote % |
|---------------------|-------|--------|
| J. Vanderstoep | 1,636 | 61.02% |
| Julie Balmelli-Powe | 446 | 16.64% |
| Matt Fagerness | 400 | 14.92% |
| Anthony Mixer | 174 | 6.49% |
| WRITE-IN | 25 | 0.93% |
| Total Votes | 2,681 | |
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| EATONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 404 Director at Large Pos. 4 *Multi-county race. Results include only Lewis County. | | | | |
|--|----|--------|--|--|
| Candidate Vote Vote % | | | | |
| Corey Ackerman | 11 | 28.95% | | |

| Karen Carr | 8 | 21.05% |
|---|----|--------|
| Kim Williams | 18 | 47.37% |
| WRITE-IN | 1 | 2.63% |
| Total Votes | 38 | |
| Multi-county Results » Precinct Results » | | 1 |

| TOLEDO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 237 Director District 2 | | | |
|--|------|--------|--|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % | |
| Monique Norberg | 304 | 35.72% | |
| Heather Garman | 133 | 15.63% | |
| Adam Hutchinson Sr. | 408 | 47.94% | |
| WRITE-IN | 6 | 0.71% | |
| Total Votes | 851 | | |
| Precinct Results » | | | |

Fire

| FIRE DISTRICT 3 - MOSSYROCK Multiple Year Permanent Lid Lift | | | |
|--|------|--------|--|
| Measure | Vote | Vote % | |
| Approved | 286 | 47.99% | |
| Rejected | 310 | 52.01% | |
| Total Votes | 596 | 100% | |
| Precinct Results » | | | |

| FIRE DISTRICT 5 - NAPAVINE Levy Lid Lift | | |
|--|------|--------|
| Measure | Vote | Vote % |

| Approved | 1,097 | 57.52% |
|--------------------|-------|--------|
| Rejected | 810 | 42.48% |
| Total Votes | 1,907 | 100% |
| Precinct Results » | | |

| FIRE DISTRICT 6 - CHEHALIS Comr | nissioner Position 3 | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Candidate | Vote | Vote % |
| Gregory Greene | 510 | 35.61% |
| Ken Cardinale | 766 | 53.49% |
| Abraham Meyer | 144 | 10.06% |
| WRITE-IN | 12 | 0.84% |
| Total Votes | 1,432 | |
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