Tammy Hodgman

From: Tammy Hodgman

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2024 7:16 AM

To: Justin Whynot

Subject: RE: Ballot Box Video Surveillance Footage FOAA

Dear Mr. Whynot,

Thank you for your payment. Our I.T. Department has completed the download of the video footage, and the external drive is ready to be picked up.

Thank you,

Tammy Hodgman

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From: Justin Whynot <jwhynot82@icloud.com> Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 12:20 PM

To: Tammy Hodgman <tahodgman@windhammaine.us>

Cc: Linda Morrell <lsmorrell@windhammaine.us>; Barry A. Tibbetts <batibbetts@windhammaine.us>

Subject: Re: Ballot Box Video Surveillance Footage FOAA

Dear Ms. Hodgman,

Thank you so much for your prompt and thorough attention to this matter. I truly appreciate the care and detail you've put into coordinating with your I.T. Manager and for providing the cost breakdown, including the purchase of the drive.

I will be in either the end of this week or the beginning of next week to make the payment for the FOAA requests, and sincerely appreciate your time and effort in facilitating this process.

Thank you again for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

On Oct 16, 2024, at 10:49 AM, Tammy Hodgman < tahodgman@windhammaine.us > wrote:

Dear Mr. Whynot,

Upon consultation with our I.T. Manager, he would be more comfortable purchasing the drive(s) as needed for this ongoing request. We can purchase the drives tax-free through our vendors and he estimates the cost to be \$69.

To continue this process, please prepay the estimated total of \$231.50, to include the cost of the drive.

Thank you,

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Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2024 5:13 PM **To:** Justin Whynot < jwhynot82@icloud.com>

Cc: Linda Morrell < !smorrell@windhammaine.us; Barry A. Tibbetts < batibbetts@windhammaine.us>

Subject: RE: Ballot Box Video Surveillance Footage FOAA

Dear Mr. Whynot,

This email serves as the statutory 5-day acknowledgement of your information request as well as informing the requestor, per 1 M.R.S.A. § 408-A(9), with an estimate of the total cost (research, compilation time, review, copy charges, etc.).

You are requesting "video surveillance footage from Windham Town Hall...specifically seeking any recordings that capture the ballot drop box(s) area between [12:00 am October 6, 2024, through 11:59 pm October 13, 2024]." The October 6th date is a duplication of one of your previously requested dates within "the period from [12:00 am September 29, 2024, through 11:59 pm October 6, 2024]."

This request is an obvious continuation of your previous request for surveillance recordings, the estimated cost to compile this data is \$25/hr. Each of the 7 days of video export requires an approximate of 30 minutes per day, a total of 3.5 hours. Note that this is only an estimate as some days may have more video footage than others. The total cost for the first week is \$75 and the additional week is \$87.50. We are requiring a prepayment of this estimated total of \$162.50. We will reconcile the cost of actual time expended upon your willingness to prepay for our continued fulfillment of the expanded original request, per 1. M.R.S.A. \$408-A(10).

Additionally, due to the large file sizes, we are requesting that you provide us with an additional external hard drive (new, in the package) with the capacity for a minimum of 1 terabyte of data or larger.

Please let us know if you would like us to proceed or have any questions.

Thank you,

Tammy Hodgman

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From: Justin Whynot < jwhynot82@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2024 3:54 PM

To: Linda Morrell < lsmorrell@windhammaine.us>

Cc: Barry A. Tibbetts <batibbetts@windhammaine.us>; Tammy Hodgman

<tahodgman@windhammaine.us>; Mark Morrison <markmorrison@windhammaine.us>; Nicholas

Kalogerakis < nicholaskalogerakis@windhammaine.us> **Subject:** Ballot Box Video Surveillance Footage FOAA

Dear Linda,

I hope you're doing well. Under the Maine Freedom of Access Act (1 M.R.S. § 400 et seq.), I am requesting access to video surveillance footage from Windham Town Hall. I am specifically seeking any recordings that capture the ballot drop box(s) area between [12:00 am October 6, 2024, through 11:59 pm October 13, 2024].

If available, I would prefer the footage in digital format, but I'm open to other options if that's more convenient. Please let me know if there are any costs associated with this request before processing.

If there are any reasons why this request cannot be fulfilled, I would appreciate a detailed explanation.

Thank you for your time and assistance. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards,

Justin Whynot