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I just received bank records yesterday and went through them to jog my memory. Attached to this email is a spreadsheet of the bank account for the last six months it was in existence. The account was closed in March of 2018.

As I indicated in my previous reply, sent earlier today, I am afraid that the ORCA reports may have been inaccurate or incomplete. It is hard to say definitively whether this is so, because I am unable to access the ORCA records. I did not myself enter the data into the ORCA system, and I did not independently verify the reports that were filed by the treasurer. I believe I still have the ORCA files, but they are in a format I do not know how to read or load (e.g., log17.dat, c1a40.dat, and cash. properties?).

According to C4 report sent to me as part of the complaint, for the period ending 11/30/17, the campaign reported a balance of \$540.32. At this juncture, I could not swear that this number is accurate and reflects all reportable transactions.

The actual disposition of the campaign funds is, I believe, best reflected in the bank account records, for WECU checking account 318187 for "Lilliquist for City Council." The bank account shows different numbers, not surprisingly, based on timing of when check cleared. As the attached spreadsheet shows, at the end of November, the account held \$256.23, and after a final \$250 check cleared on 12/01/17, the account held a balance of \$6.32. See attached bank statements.

At this point in 2017-18, I did not realize that the account would incur a \$5/month "minimum balance fee," for falling below \$500 total. As a result, the account was charge \$5.00 on 12/31/17, 1/31/18, and on 2/28/18, which left the account with a negative balance of -\$8.77. I paid off the debt myself, and closed the account. Again, see attached bank statements.

So, contrary to Mr. Morgan's allegation that I "took" campaign money," and made it "disappear" between campaigns, the account was drawn down to near zero with legitimate expenses, and then I actually had to pay to close the account properly, after incurring additional bank fees.

I will take this opportunity to say that I am embarrassed by the poor reporting, and I have learned a good lesson about trusting the job of reporting to a treasurer without understanding the reporting requirements myself. I did not know, and still cannot say for sure, what sort of reporting errors might

have occurred. At this point, it may be difficult to file an amended report, if such a thing is even possible.

I ask for your understanding and leniency.

Respectfully,

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