

# FW: Request for Guidance & Meeting re: Ongoing Disruptions at Etna Township Resident Forum (video attached)

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Sat 8/23/2025 10:09 PM

To: Beaudoin, Joshua <JBeaudoin@LickingCounty.gov>;

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[REDACTED] Statement 250823.pdf;

Deputy Beaudoin,

It was a pleasure meeting you today.

I have forwarded the email I sent to the Sheriff and Prosecutor which contains links to all video and the audio. I have also included by attachment my statement. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

I apologize for getting this to you later in the day. I was sidetracked by a vehicle repair. Enjoy the rest of your weekend.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

*Committed to Serving the Residents and Restoring Proper Leadership and Integrity to the Township*

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**From:** [REDACTED] On Behalf Of [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Saturday, August 23, 2025 8:01 PM

**To:** Jenny Wells <JennyWells@lickingcounty.gov>; rthorp@lickingcountry.gov

**Subject:** Request for Guidance & Meeting re: Ongoing Disruptions at Etna Township Resident Forum (video attached)

Sheriff Thorpe and Prosecutor Wells,

I'm writing to request guidance and a brief joint meeting regarding recurring disruptions at Etna Township's monthly Resident Forum/Open Office Hours that I host to meet with constituents. I have

brought this concern up previously and it is escalating. One of them is going to cross a serious line soon.

This morning (Saturday, August 23, 2025), I called for Licking County Sheriff's deputies due to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] continued disruptive behavior. After the deputies departed, the situation escalated again. I ended the forum and closed my open office hours, but [REDACTED] refused to leave. He then began manipulating the light switches; when I turned them off, he physically attempted to turn them back on while my hand was still on the switches. Pushing up into my hand while I kept them off. He lunged towards me at one point, and I thought he may take a swing.

Then when I attempted to close and lock the doors, [REDACTED] blocked the area which made it difficult to release the bungee cord holding the door open. The cord brushed him when it slipped out of my hand and he then took a delayed flop like an acting soccer or NBA player injured. A short video taken after the deputies left is attached.

[REDACTED] bizarre behavior continued outside as he continued to harass me and then placed his hand on my driver's side mirror to prevent me from leaving.

The responding deputies indicated there was "nothing they could do" with a disruptive individual in this context. Respectfully, I find that difficult to reconcile with what would occur if a similarly disruptive person were to enter the Board of Elections, the Prosecutor's Office, or the Sheriff's Office and loudly interfere with staff conducting public business. In such circumstances I would expect removal for disorderly conduct or related offenses. I've also received multiple threats in the past, and I am concerned these incidents could escalate into violence if unaddressed.

I'm asking for:

- Written guidance for deputies and myself on the appropriate enforcement options during township business hours and public meetings/office hours (e.g., disorderly conduct, obstructing official business, criminal trespass once notice to leave is given, and any other applicable provisions).
- Whether—and how—LCISO may issue a trespass warning or other notice when a person refuses to leave after a forum or office hours are officially concluded.
- Recommended documentation standards for potential charging (e.g., deputy observations, body cam, third-party statements, and citizen video like the attached).
- A brief joint meeting to align on a safety and enforcement plan for future forums/open office hours so residents, and I can engage safely and without unlawful interference.

I can provide additional details about behavior that occurred prior to the attached video, including dates of past incidents and witness information.

Thank you for your time and attention. Please let me know your earliest availability for a 20–30 minute meeting, and whether you prefer in-person in Newark or virtual. I appreciate your help in ensuring we can conduct public business safely and within the law.

The following are the links to the relevant videos and audio.

Inside hall video of [REDACTED] refusing to leave when I ended the resident forum/open office hours preventing me from locking up and then trying to push the lights back on as I had my hand on the switches [REDACTED]

Behavior of [REDACTED] outside the hall. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] after he had his hand on my mirror preventing me from leaving.  
[REDACTED]

Respectfully,

Sincerely,



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