



City of Portsmouth, Public Service Department

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Christopher L. Murphy
Public Service Director

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Councilman Bob Mollette
3rd Ward Council Person
1705 Franklin Blvd.
Portsmouth, OH 45662

Re: Visit to Transfer Station

Dear Councilman:

It has come to my attention you made a visit to the Elm Street Transfer Station as recently as last week. After you made your dump, you introduced yourself as Councilman Mollette and spoke to the Pike Sanitation employees about the transfer station operation and problems and informed them that I had the funds to fix whatever needed repaired; they just needed to let me know. Your answer to them was not accurate. I do not have ample funds to make all the needed repairs. Council only authorized me \$50,000 in the CIP for this facility. The Sanitation Fund itself has been in the red more than it has been in the black during 2005,

In the future, I respectfully request that if you want to visit any operation concerning this department, you show some professional courtesy by addressing any questions, concerns or guided visits through me. I am your point of contact for issues in this department.

Should you have further questions concerning this issue, contact me at (740) 353-5419.

Sincerely,

Christopher L. Murphy
Director of Public Service
City of Portsmouth

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Mayor Kalb