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Subject:	FOIA to Gales Ferry District. + Request for Advisory Ethics Opinion, AG opinion, or Town Attorney Opinion

Gales Ferry District: Please provide all correspondence (emails, letters, text messages, minutes) related to decision to and process of hiring of attorney to represent Gales Ferry District in regards to matters GFI.

Wilson Carroll is representing both the Gales Ferry District and LeAnne Anderson (as in individual)? How is there not a conflict of interest? If district money is being used to pay an attorney that the District President is using as her own attorney? Is that really what's happening? If so, how does Carroll track and break down the costs of who gets billed for what? Further potential conflict of interest could be Anderson's personal opposition to the project, resultant, in part, from location of her residence and a desire to maximize its value. In part, acting to protect her own property value. If even the appearance of district money being used for personal gain exists- there is a problem- that must be addressed.

It appears the below minutes from the Gales Ferry meeting show many GF District members voted to spend district money on a cause that they have a personal financial stake in? I thought government officials weren't allowed to use their position of power or government for their own personal gain. Isn't that the foundation of ethics laws? Property values central issue in GFI Debate. **GF District Board members decision to** spend district money was almost certainly based in part- I'd argue large- on personal financial interest of some board members.

LeAnne Anderson- personally opposed to project Todd Rice- personally opposed to project Jen Zeronsa- personally opposed to project Charles Duzy- strong personal opposition to project. Angela Cassidy- personally opposed to project.

It has the appearance of using district money for personal gain.

Sepeately Peter Gardner stated in Public comment tonight that the actions of the Gales Ferry District may have violated their charter under State Law. Will someone please request an advisory opinion from OSE, AG, or one of the Town's Attorneys?

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Sincerely, Kevin Blacker

P.S.- Song for the neighbors

Big Smo & Alexander King - Jay Cashman's Neighbors

