

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Attn: Mayor Fred Eisenberger and Members of Council
City of Hamilton
71 Main St W
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Mayor Fred Eisenberger and Members of Council,

Re: Joe-Anne Priel

I am really very troubled at the negativity that has been directed towards Joe-Anne Priel, General Manager - Community and Emergency Services for which seems to me to be a simple over-sight in judgement.

Ms. Priel is one of the nicest, kindest human beings I know. And, to tarnish her like a common thief by some is not only regrettable, but irresponsible and reprehensible.

This is a woman who has done a lot of good for this community. I for one am very proud of her and the other women who went down to Washington to get information on various community hubs – and even more so, that they attended the March on Washington.

I know that hindsight is 20/20 and likely in a perfect world, Ms. Priel would have dotted the i's and crossed the t's on whatever written permission was required to use City property – in this case a van.

But, the barrage of vitriol and vindictiveness in the accusations is way over the top. If you ask me – it's a form of bullying. People who are doing this need to stop picking on her.

Yours very sincerely,


Marsha Duncan
