## Ethics Matter!

#### **James Freed**

City Manager, City of Port Huron

## Ben Swayze

Township Manager, Cascade Township

### **James Wickman**

Township Manager, Hartland Township

# City of Port Huron

## Times Herald

# No charges in threat allegations against drain commissioner

Jackie Smith, Local Government Reporter – May 22, 2018

## Wiley case should have gone to trial

Editorial Board – May 22, 2018

## Cascade Township







Cascade firefighter, former clerk charged with sex crimes with teen

Second Cascade Township firefighter charged in teen sex case

Cascade Township fire chief, deputy chief on leave after sex scandal in department

Fire chief resigns, deputy fire chief fired in Cascade Township

# Former Troy City Manager Allegations

- Scheduled to plead guilty to federal bribery charge
- Pled no contest to domestic violence
  - Dated his assistant
- Approved vehicle purchase for his use, while receiving a vehicle allowance
- Caused an accident in city vehicle, did not report and approved repairs of other vehicle at city expense
- Questionable city expenses:
  - Personal meals
  - Pricey mobile phone accessories for employee gifts
  - Rec facility passes given to nonresidents & families

# ICMA Code of Ethics

# Tenet 7 and Guidelines

 Refrain from all political activities which undermine public confidence in professional administrators.
 Refrain from participation in the election of the members of the employing legislative body.

#### **Guidelines** (excerpts)

- ...shall not run for elected office or become involved in political activities related to running for elected office...
- ...shall not seek political endorsements, financial contributions or engage in other campaign activities...
- ...shall not participate in political activities to support the candidacy of individuals running for any...
- ...shall not endorse candidates, make financial contributions, sign or circulate petitions, or participate in fund-raising activities...