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Each Council member undoubtedly had their own reasons for wanting to serve on County Council. Unfortunately, most members have consistently proven that they are obviously *unqualified* to serve the citizens of this County. Besides the unconscionable lack of regard for the mismanaged November 2022 midterm elections, allowing former County Manager Robertson to resign rather than be fired, an understaffed DA to complicate receiving timely answers for what transpired in that election, the unnecessary tax hike for citizens during unprecedented inflationary times, you have wasted \$300,000 by unnecessarily hiring Booth to administer the ARP funds.

We, the taxpayers of Luzerne County, were told it was *necessary* to hire Booth to *fairly and impartially* award the ARP funds and now you have undone exactly that and put our County at risk for receiving future federal dollars. You obviously have no regard for wasting our *hard earned* tax dollars. All of these poor decisions speak volumes of your incapability to properly represent Luzerne County residents. We will not forget your incompetence which mirrors that which we have witnessed through numerous other County departments. .

Your obligation, as elected representatives in our County, was to award ARP funds to **the people** impacted financially by Covid which is not what you are proposing. You have not met that obligation, nor other duties of this Council which include *servng the public* with accountability, responsibility and transparency. Awarding ARP money should be placed on hold until 2024 since Council, as it currently stands, is incapable of properly doing so. If you cannot adequately do the job, please finally do the right thing and resign because you are not representing the best interests of Luzerne County people.

Sincerely,

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