

Vanessa Conway (Temporary)

From: Lisa Cyriacks [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 9:13 AM
To: Suzanne Staiert; Vanessa Conway (Temporary)
Subject: Abandonment of the Town of Bonanza

Hi Suzanne,

It seems there has developed a difficulty as to where the records are and who has custody. Mr. Gibbons indicates that he does not have them. I am still waiting to hear back from Clerk Gomez who agreed to look into what her office might have in the way of records.

I am assuming that I can tell people to keep asking and searching since the SOS office is not quite ready to make a determination just yet. Mr. Gibbons is aware that we are still trying to search the records out.

Thank you.

Lisa Cyriacks
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On Saturday, January 18, 2014 12:10 PM, Lisa Cyriacks [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Suzanne,

According to CRS 31-10-507 indicates that there is no requirement to publish a notification of cancellation of election should there not be more candidates than offices to be filled. People have been trying to track down the town records in order to verify the date of the last election and that it was by acclamation.

As of Friday, Jan 17th, we were informed that Betty Ashley, the last known custodian, and her family had turned them over to Ben Gibbons, the county attorney, in 2012. As of yesterday, close of business, Ben had not returned phone calls to verify his receipt of the records and requests to review the records. I also contacted Carla Gomez, the county clerk, who responded that she was unaware of the clerk's office holding these records but would investigate and get to back to me.

It seems the people who are interested in saving the town from abandonment will need some more time to retrieve the documents from the county and review them.

Is a further extension a possibility? I am not sure how much time to ask for since it is really incumbent on the county as to how much time they will need to produce the records for public review.

Thank you.

Lisa Cyriacks
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