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It saddens me to see that the drama in Gladstone continues.

Mayor Stempel could very easily stop all the drama. Her leadership continues to spiral down. The bullying, intimidation continues from one councilor to the next. The MO from the Mayor, Garlington, Alexander does not stop. Garlington wrote very demeaning comments about me on NEXTDOOR, Osburn did the same and took it a step further by contacting my friends and organizations outside of Gladstone and tried to tarnish my reputation. Mayor Stempel was aware of what was happening and elected not to do anything other than approve of what her minions were doing. Alexander has gone so far as to follow people around and take pictures of them. Very creepy and concerning behavior from Mayor Stempel's chief minion and partner in a private business.

Here we are with the same tarnished comments about Councilor Matt Tracy, all because he doesn't go along with the Mayor Stempel's gang. The situation between him and the City Administrator was resolved and it should have been let go, but no, the mayor couldn't let the opportunity to attack a fellow councilmember go.

I totally understand why Councilor Tracy said what he did at the last meeting, you get pushed, your reputation gets tarnished, and you wonder why you are doing this. But your heart is in it, and you want what is best for the community you live in. You can call me biased but I know that Councilors Todd, Hartman, Tracy are in it for the community. Councilor Tracy should not step down. The people of Gladstone voted for him. He looks at the business at hand and how to move forward, he does his research and reviews what is at hand.

Where is the follow through from the Mayor and her minions on the commitment they made as elected leaders to respect one another, city staff, community members and to encourage collaboration? Or does their goal continue to be to dominate and to destroy any voice that objects to them?

Mayor Stempel, who is next on your endless string of attacks? Kim, Steve, me, Matt. Who will you attack next? I'm glad that you've announced that you won't be running again. I don't think Gladstone can survive another term with you as mayor.

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Sent from my iPhone

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