



Office of the Town Manager

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June 24, 2026

Dear Marina –

You have appealed a decision I made concerning a public records request to the Williston Police Department on June 19, 2026.

Your request sought non-lethal munitions inventories before and after March 11, 2026 and crowd control equipment for the same time. Your request also sought copies of purchase order/acquisition records for these items.

The Town is withholding the following responsive records:

- An inventory listing any munition and crowd control equipment items the Police Department has in its possession.
- Purchase order from March 5, 2026 with a cost of \$2,225.30.

The records request was denied under 1 V.S.A. § 317(c)(25) of Vermont Statute which exempts from public inspection and copying “passwords, access codes, user identifications, security procedures, and similar information, the disclosure of which would threaten the safety of persons or the security of public property.” The munitions inventories and inventories of crowd control equipment in the possession of the Williston Police Department would disclose information that could aid in planning violent or destructive activity and/or aid in circumventing efforts and capabilities related to protecting persons and public property.

Your appeal of my decision in this matter after review is denied.

Under Vermont Statute you may appeal further to Vermont Superior Court per 1 V.S.A. § 319.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Erik Wells".

Erik Wells
Town Manager
Williston, VT