
NOV Appeal Earl Clayton-Soliciting

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On 2/26/21, at approximately 6:32 pm, a Belle Isle resident, who is an OCSO deputy, John Ramsey, called for Belle Isle officers to respond because a solicitor was at his door asking for a donation. The [REDACTED]-year-old solicitor, [REDACTED], was carrying a plastic tub with an assortment of items. Officer Gargano responded, and his body-worn camera was on. **The solicitor clearly admitted on the camera that he was asking for donations.** Yolanda was given a copy of this video as a record.

The solicitor had in his possession misleading documents that appear to show that Yolanda Quiceno and Jackie Stewart approved this organization to solicit in the City of Belle Isle. Jackie nor Yolanda have the authority, nor did they approve this organization to solicit in Belle Isle. There were similar documents for other cities. Based upon the witness and the body-worn camera video of [REDACTED] admitting he asked for a donation, he was issued an NOV by Officer Gargano for violation of City Ordinance 20-2 Solicitation Without a Permit. Deputy Ramsey said [REDACTED] told him that he asked for a donation from a neighbor, and the neighbor did not give him money but gave him a speaker.

The next day, a man called and said he was the leader of Central Florida's Youth Club of America and called himself "Johnny." He said their organization does not solicit but was only expressing their first amendment rights to tell people about their program. He aggressively argued that his organization does not have to have a permit to go door to door since they do not solicit.

Yolanda received a request to appeal this NOV from Johnny Carrasquillo, not from [REDACTED]. I have requested Deputy John Ramsey, Officer Jon Gargano, and Jackie Stewart appear as witnesses at this appeal.

Please note that Johnny Carrasquillo has been arrested and/or charged numerous times for similar crimes or violations in many jurisdictions.

The appeal for this hearing is scheduled for **April 6, 2021, at 6:30 pm**, at the City Council meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

****See attachments.**

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