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October 8, 2014

Ms. Debra L. Williams  
Clerk  
Sauk Village Housing Commission  
21801 Torrence Avenue  
Sauk Village, Illinois 60411

RE: Open Meetings Act Request for Review – 2014 PAC 31575

Dear Ms. Williams:

We have received a Request for Review under section 3.5(a) of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) (5 ILCS 120/3.5(a) (West 2012)) from Mr. Joseph Wiszowaty, on behalf of the *Sauk Villager News*, alleging that the Sauk Village Housing Commission (Commission) violated the provisions of OMA by improperly entering closed session during the September 28, 2014, Commission meeting to discuss personnel matters and pending reports. The Request for Review is enclosed for your reference.

This office has determined that further inquiry is warranted. In order to further evaluate this matter, we ask the Commission or its representative to provide a written response to such OMA allegations made by Mr. Wiszowaty in the Request for Review. Also, please provide a copy of the agenda, notice, recording, and both open and closed meeting minutes for the September 28, 2014, Commission meeting.

As required by OMA, this information must be provided to our office within 7 working days after receipt of this letter. 5 ILCS 120/3.5(b) (West 2012). As we conduct our review of this matter, we will notify you if we require additional records or information. If the Commission believes that other documents or information would be helpful to us as we review the issues, it may submit additional records or affidavits. Please provide the requested materials and all additional information within 7 working days of receipt of this letter.

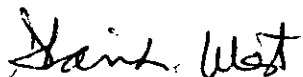
Please note that under OMA, we are required to forward a copy of any answer from a public body to the requester and provide the requester an opportunity to reply. 5 ILCS 120/3.5(c) (West 2012). OMA also provides, however, that "[r]ecords that are obtained by the Public Access Counselor from a public body for purposes of addressing a request for review

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under this Section 3.5 may not be disclosed to the public, including the requester, by the Public Access Counselor. Those records, while in the possession of the Public Access Counselor, shall be exempt from disclosure by the Public Access Counselor under the Freedom of Information Act." 5 ILCS 120/3.5(g) (West 2012). **If your response or documents provided to this office contains information you believe is confidential, you must clearly identify that specific information in your response and state "CONFIDENTIAL" at the top of each page containing confidential information.**

Please contact me at (217) 524-7958 if you have questions or would like to discuss this matter.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure

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