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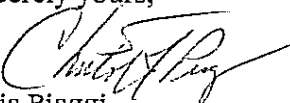
Dear Councilmembers,

I would like to open this letter by stating that, until very recently, it was never my intention to resign my position as town justice. For the greater part of a month, I remained confident that reason would prevail in the end, compelling the Town of Portville to make an offer that was substantially fair.

Regrettably, that has not been the case. Even the most recent proposal, which was made by the town during the July 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, and which is far more generous than the strange plan suggested at the beginning of the month, still falls far short of equitable. Offering to pay me approximately 60% of the recently retired justice's salary to perform the same duties he performed indicates, to my mind, a determination to avoid fair compensation.

It is a great privilege to serve the people of the Town of Portville. However, since my confidence that an agreement can be reached has been undermined, and since it would be foolish to continue to perform all the duties of town justice at the current \$100 per month salary, I must resign the position of Portville Town Justice effective 3:00 PM on August 3, 2011.

Sincerely yours,

  
Chris Piaggi

