

To whom it may concern:

RE: Assistant Police Chief Tom Dresner retirement:

Dresner carried on a multi year illicit affair with a fellow female officer whom he supervised in direct violation of department policy.

Chief Burton was recently notified of this situation by Dresner's wife.

Chief Burton interviewed Dresner who admitted to the multi year affair.

Chief Burton personally typed up Dresner's retirement announcement and ordered Dresner to resign.

Chief Burton in effect attempted to cover up the wrong doing of one of his police officers.

The proper course of action by Chief Burton should have been to investigate the situation and fire Dresner for violating policy. The firing details although sensitive should have been released to the public via normal channels.

The "burying" of the facts of police wrongdoing foments distrust of the police by the citizens they serve and should never be condoned.

CC: Chief Burton, Tribune, Missourian, KOMU TV, KCRG TV, KMIZ TV,
KMCQ, KOPN, KFRU,