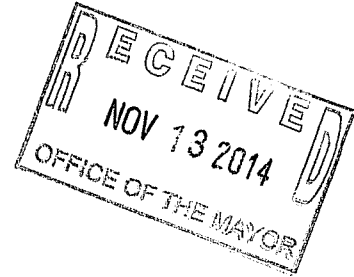


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Mr. Justin Nickels - Mayor  
Manitowoc Common Council  
Manitowoc, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Mayor

This is a difficult letter to write and I do so with great unhappiness. Effective December 1, 2014, I will be resigning my commission as Alderperson for the 5<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District, City of Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

The reason(s) for my resignation are based on two issues; The first being the recent resignation of Mrs. Marcia Flaherty – Superintendent of Schools for the Manitowoc Public School District (MPSD), and the second is my inability to live up to the commitment I personally made to the residence of the 5<sup>th</sup> District to be a full time representative and serve them on a full time basis.

Due to the resignation of Mrs. Flaherty, I have been selected as the MPSD- Board of Education coordinator to head the search for a new superintendent. This will require an extensive amount of time, associated with meetings both day and night, interviews, and travel.

When I ran for the District 5 Aldermanic position, I promised the residence of this District full time representation, attendance at meetings and a commitment to knowledge of city issues. As a result of this unforeseen situation with the MPSD and my service to the School Board, I will not be able to live up to my promise to the citizens of District 5. Last year, while running for office, I often said, "that if for any reason I could not represent them well, I would step down". As this new responsibility will consume a great deal of my time, I will not be able to live up to my promise to the residence of District #5. They will be better served by my replacement than by a no-show for a lengthy period of time.

Please express my sincere thanks and appreciation to Alder McMeans-President, all of the city hall employees, directors, department heads, and the other Alders. Mostly a tremendous thanks to the citizens of District #5, whom I have gotten to know and work with over the past year. It has truly been my pleasure!

With Great Sincerity

  
Keith W. Shaw