

In my platform, I have a plank that says I will repair, replace or remove broken equipment in the Deeds office.

I know how to do this from 27 years' experience leading staffs and managing office space in the US Army, to include during combat.

Ms. McKenna takes exception to this and, in her own words, shows the voter why she is unfit to lead a staff, to keep a clean and well-functioning office area.

Ms. McKenna worked in government for 27 years before being elected to Kent County Recorder of Deeds. She has served as an elected official for almost two decades.

Yet, she does not know how to write a work order to fix something or how to find the money to buy a new piece of equipment.

--Eugenia Thornton, candidate

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

“Clearing the record

“This letter is in response to statements made by Eugenia Thornton in her press release, Facebook page but most of all comments contained in her paid advertisements in this very newspaper....

“Fix or Remove Broken Equipment in the Professional Area: The gate in front of the deeds office has been out of commission for a few weeks. It is not part of deeds office and is the responsibility of the building maintenance. If a computer terminal should go down, the IT department is called and they come and fix it as soon as they have someone available. They serve every office in the county government and may not get to us the day we call....

“Mrs. Thornton recently mentioned on Facebook that I have a dinosaur microfiche machine that is broken. Yes, there is one and it is broken but it is not on our inventory, it belongs to the Register of Wills who needed space. We allowed them to utilize a small area for the machine and a file cabinet full of tapes. It made it convenient for the title searchers to have it in the Deeds Office. The IT department has declared it unfixable and it is up to the Wills Office as to what they are going to do with it.

“Betty Lou McKenna

“Kent County Recorder of Deeds

“EDITOR’S NOTE: Ms. McKenna, a Democrat, is seeking re- election in November.”