

Chapter 1 – Election, Blackmail, and Possum Farts

Birman:

Podman for mayor of Troy!

Podman:

Oh, and by the way, remember to vote Podman for Mayor tomorrow, even if you don't live in Troy. Heh, heh, I'm already a real politician. The sound you hear is me rubbing my hands together laughing..... mwahahahahahaha

Perfect!!

Podman:

That's exactly how I feel now that I'm in power. Wait, the elections are tomorrow. (don't tell anybody, but I already know the results.... and I won).

Mayor Podman His Honor of Troy

Bro' Rat

I think that His Honor Podman of Troy actually works for the voting machine company. He know the results because that's the way he programmed the voting machines.

Birdman:

Do we refer to him as "Your Honor", "Mr Mayor" or something else?

Podman:

When you speak to me directly, I'm afraid it's going to have to be "Your Honor". If we become close, you can call me "Mr. Podman", upon my discretion, of course. Can't have that Trailer Trash Riff Raff callin' me anything BUT "Your Honor", wouldn't you agree? Only those non-Trailer-Trash-Riff-Raffs need respond.

Bro' Rat:

Hey! I'm offended by that remark. As a proud member of the Trailer Trash population, I have worked hard to remove any negative connotations on our ethnic background. I *demand* an apology, and anything you say I will immediately reject and call a half hearted gesture. You have besmirched "Housing Challenged" individuals everywhere.

Oh, and I think His Honor's remarks qualify for the election bet. I demand a vote by the board of governors!

Podman:

I humbly apologize.

What I meant to say was "Trailer PARK Riff Raff".

Birdman:

Mr. Mayor:

Let me start off by saying what a pleasure it is to say that I know you and voted for you in the last election. Very seldom in life are we blessed with the charm, wit and perseverance of such a reputable and courageous man who takes both his job and his responsibilities as serious as you obviously do. It is truly an honor your honor to witness first hand your office at work protecting and serving your valued constituents in this time of need and hardship. Your honesty and integrity are beyond reproach and I feel compelled to shout to the world "What a man, What a guy". You are truly a great and wise man respected and feared by all. Keep up the good work and good luck in the coming election! The city of Troy is a better place with you leading it.

Sincerley yours, Birdman

Birdman:

Oh, Damn. My apologies! I meant to send it to his opponent! Disregard that last e-mail!

Woody Bobward

Troy Sentinel Headline:

In other news, Paul Guido Anthony Podman made the most of a strong finish, capturing the Mayoralty of Troy. With 80% of precincts reporting, Mr. Podman earned the victory in a close 18-17 vote. A surprise independent entrant for the Green party, Mayor-elect Podman started low in the polls but climbed steadily as the campaign progressed. His opponent in the race, Republican George R. "Gus" Goosime, conceded defeat this

morning. The Democratic incumbent, Alistair X. McBush, started high in the polls, but lost ground after revelations that he slept with his goat. He finally dropped out of the race when his conviction on illegal whiskey-making charges became public.

Mayor-elect Podman gave his victory speech to his campaign staff, local handyman Ernest T. "Bigmouth" Bass, earlier today. "This is a red-letter day for American politics", he said. "This is the first occasion, I believe, where an extra-terrestrial has ever won public office. We intend to clean up this town."

Mayor-elect Podman expects to occupy the Mayoral mansion, located in an outbuilding behind the Troy post office, later this month. Mayoress Linda Podman is excited about the move, and is already making plans. "Unfortunately, my decorating plans have been stymied by the recent down surge in supplies of Ping Flamingoes", she said. "That is one area where we expect to make a difference".

Birdman:

Making news before it happens! Congrats on your win Mr. Mayor. Its an honor your honor! "What a man, What a guy"

Missus Podman:

Oh, I'm soooooo excited my Pod won. Ya all know how I LOVE to move. Jimmy and Pat, are you ready to help out with the move? Since we are now reaquated(sp) with the entire gang, maybe we can make it a gang move. From our shabby home to the Mayorial Palace is maybe 1/4 of a mile. Pod and I can do nothing, thats up to our population. See ya all soon. QUEENIE for real.

Podman:

Thank you, thank you. I am humbled and Troy will a better place being run by an extra-terrestrial. Luckily, I took care of the opponent's possible tying vote while he was sleeping. He now sees things my way and voted as such. Even though you all couldn't vote, I know you were behind me 100%. I will now hand over emailing duties to my press secretary.....

Birdman:

Mr. Mayor:

Would you care to comment on the allegations just released in the Troy Gazette accusing you of using your office and power to secure a rare and illegal to possess Blue Norwegian

Parrot that appears to be dead with its feet nailed to the perch in a cage hanging in your living room? A Dead Parrot? Tell me it isn't so?

Birdman:

We would like the police department to quit handing out speeding tickets. Get the hint Mayor?



Podman:

His Honor would like to reply:

“My first day in office and already I am being harassed by the press. The citizens of Troy will not stand for this type of abuse.

But, yes, I WILL answer your question anyway.

I investigated and found that the Blue Norwegian Parrot about which you speak somehow got through our inspections and made it into my home. After finding out that the gift was from the notorious T.P.R.R. organization, we had it removed immediately.

The great citizens of Troy would be horrified to find that the T.P.R.R. also supplied a manual for maintaining.... THE.... DEAD... PARROT!!

I was sickened, SICKENED when I found this.

Let me assure the great citizens of Troy that this type of horror will not be tolerated!!!

<Huff> <Huff>

Mr. Birdman, you should be just a little more careful with your allegations, you know what I mean?"

Signed,
Podman, Mayor of Troy

Ernest T. Bass

What His Honor is trying to say is that he apologizes profusely for any offense taken whatsoever, be it bird lovers, trailer owners, hemorrhoid sufferers, nail biters, nudists, adult diaper wearers, bingo enthusiasts, or those of any other easily offended ethnic association. It was not His Honor's intention to offend the innocent, defend the guilty, suspend any rights, nor pretend to be innocent of any charges whatsoever, if he happens to be found guilty. Which he is not.

Sincerely, Ernest T "Bigmouth" Bass, Press Secretary

Birdman:

Spoken like a true politician. Like I always say "Baffle them with Bull s__t"

Bro' Rat:

Which happened to be Mr. Podman's primary winning slogan during this hard-fought campaign..

Bro' Rat:

Quote:

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Democrats swept Republicans from power in the U.S. House of Representatives and moved to the brink of capturing the Senate, where their final victory could be delayed by a possible recount in Virginia.
End Quote

Those damn Virginians foul everything up!
;-)

Birdman:

I think we should be getting revised spread sheets today. Right Mr. Mayor?

Ernest T. Bass:

The Mayor's office wishes to emphasize that the Mayor does not indulge in games of chance over the Internet. That is illegal. The Mayor receives solicitations for such activities many times a day. The receipt of such a solicitation by this office should not by any means be construed as approval on his part, nor should be it used as evidence that he engages in such activities, even should it prove to be a non-profit enterprise whose sole goal is to raise moneys for charity. His Honor is a family man with family values.

Ernest T. "Bigmouth" Bass - Press Secretary

Podman:

There should be absolutely no confusion whatsoever as to why I have handed the reigns of the job of Press Secretary over to the amazing "Bigmouth".

Birman:

None here for sure. Much better than the normal "No Comment" we usually receive from the former Mayor and his staff. I think this P.S. actually graduated from elementary school or at least cheated his way thru. Most of the words he uses them country folks don't understand no how. BTW How did the possum farting contest go?

Podman:

It went fine. I had to call in "Handy" to set up the industrial fans after the whole shebang was over. Those damned possum, man they can gaseous! Luckily we held the contest towards the end of the evening due to previous experiences.

Bro' Rat:

No more gaseous than some politicians we know.

Birdman:

Thats why the Birdman cut out (no pun intended) early. You should never feed Pork & Beans to them critters!!! I knew if you fed the main course to man or beast there would be hell to pay.

