

South Lake Tahoe fires communications chief

South Lake Tahoe no longer has a communications manager.

Tracy Sheldon was put on leave last week after it came to light that on her own accord she threatened legal action against *Lake Tahoe News* and the news site's publisher, Kathryn Reed.

Interim City Manager Dirk Brazil confirmed that she was sent home last week and fired on July 30. He would not state the reason why.

The comment was posted on *Lake Tahoe News'* Facebook page. It has since been taken down by the city.

Last week the city clerk said Sheldon had no text messages as were requested by *LTN* in a Public Records Act filing. On July 30 the clerk released them. The few that were provided were not all that interesting. Why they were originally withheld has not been disclosed.

As for the future of this city position, Brazil said he's not sure.

"I want to look at the position and description of the position. It's somewhat unusual for a town of 20,000 to have a standalone communications director," Brazil told *LTN*.

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