



FRATERNAL ORDER of POLICE
Wyoming Valley Lodge No. 36

The Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 36 is publicly announcing that we have **RESCINDED** our 2015 endorsement of Tony George. We ask that the voters of the City of Wilkes-Barre consider this in his upcoming bid for re-election as Mayor of Wilkes-Barre.

Although Tony George is currently using the slogan "Progress as Promised", signs have been erected throughout the City with the 2015 campaign slogan "Law and Order" - a campaign promise which ended up being a false promise to those who live, work and visit the City of Wilkes-Barre as well as the working men and women of the Wilkes-Barre City Police Department.

Tony George spent more than half of his time in office retaliating against unionized public safety personnel under his command. He made extraordinary efforts to engage in union busting tactics to include issuing lengthy suspensions and terminating the employment of those who were active in the union or members of the union executive board.

Tony George put two unqualified people in charge of the police department. His appointed Chief and Commander, who also engaged in union busting, destroyed morale and motivation in the department - leaving it in chaos and turmoil for more than two years.

The result: Most, if not all, of the discipline and labor issues caused by Tony George and/or his former police administration have been settled or decided in the police union's favor.

The City of Wilkes Barre is a hub for surrounding jurisdictions and what happens in Wilkes Barre can impact other communities.

Tens of thousands of dollars, which could have been used to invest in the police department, was spent on fighting or attempting to bust the police union.

Tony George's actions and inactions have cost the City taxpayers unnecessarily.

Tony George had four years to make a difference, but instead he blamed everyone from years past and took no responsibility.

Again, FOP Lodge 36 has rescinded Tony George's past endorsement. Please choose wisely in this election. "Tony" does not deserve another four years, let someone new come in and clean up his mess.

Sincerely,

Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #36