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To: Eganville Admin

Subject: A message to the Mayor and Council members for the Sept 19th meeting RE: Trailer Issue on Lake Clear.

In regards to the trailer issue on Lake Clear I am sure that you have read my letter in the Eganville Leader by now. I would like to add to it as I feel that this is more a personal issue between Mr Taker and Mr Ray Mcgrath than just a lake water quality issue for the following reasons.

- They are closely situated to each other, (Mr Taker has made the statement " it directly affects our quality of life and, our property value" this shows in my opinion, he is concerned with his property value more than the water in Lake Clear , again I think it's personal.

- I believe that the water samples taken this year were very good and if you were to see a copy you could judge for yourself. A year or so back the quality of water in my bay known as hardwood bay was one of the best in the lake.

-I believe he distorted the truth of the number of trailers around the lake that are "potentially" adding to phosphate levels in the lake as he stated that "approximately 50 units located on Lake Clear waterfront properties". Now I went around the lake twice once with two people and a second with four people we were hard pressed to find 29 trailers around the lake never mind being waterfront and I challenge council to do the same and see for themselves what count they get.

Now I said I got 29 as a count here is what I counted to get that , 2 closed tent trailers, several small campers, one motor home , and two slide in truck campers, these were at or in driveways , back yards of PERMANENT homes around the lake. They were not being used as campers but as travel units for other destinations as well as maybe hunt camps who knows.

Yes some campers were close to the lake, many you could hardly see being back so far or on hills in the bush. Now out of all the campers which were uses for storage and which were used for camping .

My self as I can not get a building permit as I am land locked I have 3 old trailers that do not have toilets and are used to store camping equipment, boating tubes, motors, paddles , household stuff , generators and chain saws ,a place to put the dogs in at night, canned goods etc. This is on 27 acres that I own and pay my taxes for.

My brother has three trailers on his property as well, one is there as it was wrote off for mould and is unusable, one is a hunt camp that he takes up north moose hunting and sits empty the rest of the year and the other is for storage only.

So how many trailers did Mr Taker say are affecting the Lake, he never asked what they are used for just counted them, and getting back to the count I heard that when he was asked where he got the high number he said that he drove the back roads around the lake and counted them as well (remember he stated in his presentation " located on waterfront properties").

I believe Mr Taker has tried to pull the wool over council and some members of the LCPOA on this issue and from what I hear there was only a 6 vote difference when votes were taken at the meeting , that could have been much less if I or my brother attended with some other members but we have quite the association due to the above issues.

On a side issue why was camping on the islands not brought up. Where does their waste water go? were does their toilet waste go?

There is no control over that and that is direct pollution to the lake. Mr Taker counted trailers but never asked where their waste went or if they produced waste.

Does this council want to put a stop to trailers on all the lakes in this township, I hope not. This should not even have made it to council. I understand council has to address the issue but I hope it is rejected in its entirety. There is so much "enough is enough" going around in the social media and trying to tell people what they can have on their property and for how long would just start another public issue to be commented on not just here but the whole of Ontario. Council do the right thing as if this affected you personally if you had a trailer on the lake and were following the rules.

What saddens me is the fact that an issue has been put forth to remove campers (trailers) from a lake that has good water quality and which Ontario has been noted for some of the best camping around and deprive my children and grandchildren and other peoples children who actually own property on this lake that we pay taxes on for less luxuries than people who own houses on this same lake .

Also please bear in mind that who would stay year around in a trailer its too cold. So we leave them parked over the winter and wait for summer to come so we can enjoy our retirement or our one or two weeks at the lake visiting our outhouses and roughing it

compared to the people in cottages and homes living the high life , but hey that's what camping is about.

Thank you for reading my take on the above issue, Murray Weckwerth Former LCPOA but a Tax payer.