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Subject: FW: Letter

Attn: Mayor and council.

I'm writing this letter to address the issues with the bylaw pertaining to hazardous lands in fort frances . This bylaw was introduced in 2013 without notifying the homeowners that it directly affects... I built my home 10 years ago at 1222 olde shambles road. I purchased the property when I was in high school with hopes I could build a home to raise my family in... A forever home... I had my entire house drawn up, with an attached garage.

In 2007 I had my lot surveyed for my 1500 square-foot home with attach garage to make sure that everything would fit nicely and be appropriate for the lot, I worked with rick helm to identify any code or bylaw issues and the only thing brought forward at that time was the EPA agreement for 1080 ft above sea level and that I was not to disturb anything below that. Due to the high cost of building I chose to build only a section of my dream home. I have lived and raised my family there since. My family has now outgrown my house, this fall I had hoped to complete the addition and garage to accommodate my large family but this bylaw has stopped me from being able to do so. With no other options of being able to add square footage to my house or any updates I am being forced to consider relocating out of fort frances. I am currently trying to sell my home, two people have withdrawn their offer so far once they found out the home is "as is" and can never be any more, with no chance of building a deck the garage or steps to the front door. This bylaw has diminished value of my home and property which I worked so hard to complete over the last 10 years. This bylaw has shattered the dreams of my family home in a nice quiet area of Fort Frances. I understand this was put in place because of issues pertaining to the Pearson subdivision... My my property is not part and parcel of that subdivision it is separate. I built my home according to the Ontario building code, with building permits and it was inspected properly. My home has not moved because ot was built on native soil and is locked into the side of the hill just as the building code states it must be. This bylaw has taken away my prosperity and has deteriorated my ability to sell. I would like to see this bylaw fully withdrawn, or I will need to be compensated for my losses. Not able to expand, not able to change anything this bylaw makes not only my house but leaves every house along a hill in Fort Frances severely impacted. ... I am currently being charged and absorbent amount of taxes for a property that because of this by law is not worth anything. I have called other townships in Ontario they do not have this rule... The building code section 9 was created for a reason, this should be the only stipulation to building. People build on the tops of hills on the sides of mountains every day around the world, these houses outlast the owners when built to code and inspected properly. The area that this bylaw affects is prime real estate in Fort Frances, why not encourage people to build nice newer buildings? the town would intern see higher tax margins. I do not believe that homeowners would have to hire an engineer to draw a design and stamp simple additions or buildings on hills, that would a very hi cost imposed by the town of Fort Frances when we as tax payers hire a local building official for this reason. We need to encourage young family's such as myself to stay here, not impose restrictions because of the mistakes of others. the town of Fort Frances has a building inspector to make sure people are following the building code there should be no reason that people have to hire engineers for any residential design if that design is acceptable by the building code. With an inspector to enforce the building code, and complete their inspections. This bylaw is costing me every day that it is in place. I hold the town of Fort Frances responsible for the diminished value of my property. And this bylaw the sole reason that I have to relocate my family.

Thank you for your time.

Regrets,

Chris Kaun