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Good morning,

I am writing to request an audience at the next committee meeting most suitable to discussing my concerns and requests.

In January 2020, I took ownership of 1324 Fifth Street East. Since that time, I've had the opportunity to observe the pedestrian and traffic flow in this area.

Last week, I had a criminal attend my property at midnight. He was hiding in the shadows of the water treatment pump house and approached me when I came outside to let my dog outside and ensure my property was secure. The culprit had been at Lady Francis apartments moments before coming into my property. Obviously, very concerning for myself as well as my family. The OPP responded and the person was subsequently charged.

Since this incident, I have taken significant action to enhance personal safety. I conducted a CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) assessment of my property and the surrounding block.

Most noticeable was the lack of lighting at night on this entire block. I am writing request the Town of Fort Frances consider adding additional lighting to the area to support public safety.

The addition of lighting would not only support my efforts to ensure safety of my family and property, but it would stand to enhance the safety of the other residents and users of the area and roadway.

It is noted that this segment of roadway is used as an access point to Colonization Road East as well as the biking and walking paths along the waterfront. It is a very busy block.

There is heavy foot traffic in the area that includes young families, older adults and individual young children.

I am requesting the following:

- additional and consistent street lighting
- a light on top or at the sides of the yellow pump house as the area around building is dark and where the culprit was able to hid and remain undetected
- permit me to affix a battery operated Ring video camera on the pump house to allow me to be able to view the south side of my property
- consider installing lighting at the end of Fifth Street East in order to light the area of the T docks

I invite a member of the committee to come see at my property to clarify issues and concerns. I would be happy to provide a presentation with photo references if felt that would support a decision making processes.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

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