From: Paula Uyenaka < Second S

Dear Trustees Rockafella, Rogers and Wolverton and Planner Brad Smith,

I would like to offer my support for the vision expressed regarding respectful and more productive town halls during the LTC meetings here on Galiano. I hope that this respectful measure will be maintained in upcoming public Community Information Meetings and Public Hearings.

I attended the March meeting and was dismayed by both the length of time many speakers took and the nasty tone and bullying that happened especially at the last town hall despite Chair Rogers' clear instructions. I find the aggressive atmosphere creates a defensiveness and anger that hinders my ability to think or express myself clearly. Chair Rogers has pointed out that town halls are a privilege not a right. In future might the natural consequence of an inability to comply with the ground rules be a suspension from participation in town hall rather than a suspension of the town halls themselves? This way genuine and respectful voices can still be heard - which is the whole point?

I also wanted to express my support for the CMS Water Management plan; the time has been lengthy but it is important to be thorough and to get professional data from both IT staff and people working in the field.

As I have to work on May 2 and will not be able to attend this important meeting for the CMS application I would like to take this moment here to encourage the setting of dates for a CIM as well as a Public Hearing.

Thank you Paula Uyenaka