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To: SSInfo
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Dear Trustees

Zoning on this island is a sensitive matter. There is much to consider in terms of people, proper land use policies, the OCP, and having functioning businesses.

I recognize the complexity and importance of the roles that you play. So it is with that respect, that I urge you to consider accepting the rezoning application of Mid-Isle Marine. (SS-RZ-2019.1)

I am a local business owner here on Salt Spring Island called Hands On Landscaping and Irrigation. I have tools and equipment, that I need to have serviced from time to time. Mid Isle Marine has been there consistently to provide me and my business, with much needed support. My clients are counting on me, and I in turn count on other businesses here on the island. Together we are a community, and for all of us to continue to grow, we need to work together in recognition of our inter-dependance.

In my field of work, new growth is preceded by selective pruning. This is a cutting off of what has been, in order to create a new vision, and future growth. The old zoning won't allow for this new growth and the continuation of our shared commitment to community. Re-zoning properties to bring existing businesses into compliance should be streamlined and accessible.

Mid-Isle Marine is an essential service for me, my business and many other people on the island.

Please support our local businesses in the way that only you can; by accepting, facilitating, and approving of their re-zoning application.

Thank you for your consideration.

Nate Poetker

Hands On Landscaping and Irrigation