

From: HUGH GREENWOOD [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 5:26 PM
To: Laura Patrick; Peter Grove; Peter Luckham
Subject: Proposed Bylaw 528

Dear Trustees:-I am writing about the proposed Bylaw 528 which is listed for first reading at the LTC meeting on February 15.

I ask that you do not give it a first reading for the following practical reasons:

- The bylaw would allow for a potential large increase in population without adequate water
- The water resources of Salt Spring are already under stress and should not be further stressed
- The stated provision that "adequate water supply be demonstrated" is toothless and unenforceable
- The approach demonstrated in the proposed bylaw is a prime example of backward planning

:A rational plan would change the building code to require all new construction to have sufficient water catchment and treatment. This would be enforceable and would guarantee that our water supplies would be protected

I am aware that only the CRD can change the building code but it is imperative that our local trustees make this change in code their top priority before even considering a new bylaw that would be destructive of our water resources.

THEREFORE I ASK THAT YOU DO NOT GIVE BYLAW 528 FIRST READING BUT DEVOTE YOUR EFFORTS TO GETTING THE BUILDING CODE CHANGED,

Yours, with respect

Hugh Greenwood
Retired engineer

From: Laura Patrick
Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 5:47 PM
To: 'HUGH GREENWOOD'; Peter Grove; Peter Luckham
Subject: RE: Proposed Bylaw 528

Thank you Hugh for your comments. The local trust committee is only seeing this draft bylaw for the first time. The objectives of the Housing Action Program are to "maximize the benefits and minimize the harms of housing on Salt Spring, including its ecological, climatic, and socioeconomic dimensions". This program is guided by a number of foundational principles including:

The LTC decisions should be balanced and be acutely aware of social, environmental and economic elements and are rooted in sustainability and justice. Good solutions are integrated solutions that will also address other challenges and crises we face on Salt Spring (e.g., forest health and biodiversity, watersheds, changing climate, land use, community spirit, and resilient small business.)

I have copied staff so that your email can be part of the public record.

Laura

From: Peter Grove

Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 8:06 PM

To: Hugh Greenwood; Laura Patrick, Peter Luckham

Thank you Hugh. I appreciate your comments. The matter of housing is one which requires serious debate at the LTC level. In order to do that, it has to have a first reading. First reading does not mean anything other than getting the subject on the table. We will see how it develops. Having said that, I am certainly very much aware of your concerns.

I am copying staff for the record

Best

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