

I have enclosed for your information a reference plan prepared by Elliott and Parr, dated October 17, 2017. You will note the notation "gravel" on the reference plan. This is the area which we are writing to you about. Since May of 2017, shortly after our clients took possession of the property they noticed that the entrance to their property would be blocked by vehicles waiting to access the "gravel" area and vehicles parking at the entrance to the property. Vehicles were also being turned around in our clients driveway result in the driveway sustaining damage. As you are aware, entry onto the property was trespass. Our clients contacted the City of Kawartha Lakes to request it assist them with the problems created by the "gravel" area. The City did nothing. Frustrated, they took matters into their own hands and blocked access to the "gravel" area. The "gravel" area is apparently an unofficial "boat launch" which is utilized by locals. There is no signage. There is no parking. There is no boat ramp or dock. This area has been the subject of

much conversation on the Facebook Page "deal or no deal - kawartha lakes" when the locals, upset with our clients for blocking the "gravel" access published on the "deal or no deal" our client's photo and address, describing the "gravel" area as "the public boat launch" urging people to "call the City of Kawartha Lakes, Roads Department and place a complaint. This is a road access and he has no right to block access". The Roads Department subsequently removed the barriers.

Our clients attempted to resolve the issue with Bill Cockburn, the Road Supervisor, but were frustrated with his response that my clients' survey is wrong and they do not own what is set out on the survey. He was rude, insulting and argumentative rather than helpful, telling our clients that their blocking of the access was upsetting to the locals and that they should just let it be.

Our clients placed chains across their driveway but were informed by officials from the City of Kawartha Lakes that they are not permitted to do this.

In an attempt to stop the public from trespassing onto the property and continuing to tear up the driveway, our clients have begun the process of erecting a gate. Prior to beginning the work our clients spoke with a by-law officer with the City of Kawartha Lakes in June who advised them that the gateposts must be setback at least 33 feet from the center line of the main road. To ensure compliance, our clients setback the posts 47 feet from the center line of the main road. On October 20th, 2017 they received a call from the area manager of the roads department who told our clients that if they did not move the posts they (the roads department) would go and move the posts themselves.

On October 30th, 2017 our clients spoke with Cheryl from the City of Kawartha Lakes Building Department regarding the gate. She informed my clients that a new fence by-law had been approved two weeks earlier dealing with driveway gates. Cheryl told my clients that the height can be no more than 2.3 meters (our clients gate height is 7 feet, well below 2.3 meters). Cheryl also accessed our clients' property to determine the appropriate setback for the placement of the gate posts. Our clients indicated the posts are setback 47 feet from the center of the main road. Cheryl confirmed that the posts were setback more than far enough from the main road and were not impeding anyone's line of sight upon them entering or exiting the driveway.

Yesterday afternoon my clients received a rather unsettling and unacceptable telephone call from Dave Brumwell, the area manager for Kawartha Lakes who said "I see you still have not removed them posts", to which my client responded that he did not need to remove them. Mr. Brumwell responded implying that if our clients did not remove the posts the City of Kawartha Lakes would do it for them.

For your information, our clients have provided me with numerous photos and emails depicting the ongoing problems with the City of Kawartha Lakes and the public. They have, on multiple occasions, contacted by-law officers and filed complaints with the OPP. The OPP have asked that our clients record offending license plate numbers and forward them to them. My clients have stopped contacting the by-law officers and OPP since no further assistance was provided.