

To whom it may concern.

My name is Andrew Girdler.

My wife [REDACTED] and I bought a home in Dunsford on [REDACTED] on Aug.30 of last year.

Having been a resident of Greenhurst Thurstonia for a year prior to our purchase, we were quite aware of the changing status of the dock space rental situation here.

To our great surprise, we found that when we went to apply for a dock space, we were told that there were no more spaces available and that the new system meant that even if a previous owner was not going to renew his or her lease, that the City of Kawartha Lakes was going to absorb that space for public access.

Then we heard that the entire lakefront was in the process of being surveyed and evaluated so that unmaintained docks would be cleaned up by the City and once again absorbed for public access!

You can imagine my dismay and great concern at this development.

To specifically buy a home in this area and have a boat thrown in as part of the title and have no prospect of ever renting a dock space here is extremely frustrating.

I have five children and just recently welcomed my third grandchild onto the world and we live yards from Sturgeon Lake and have no possibility of enjoying a private dock and no place to moor my boat to further enjoy this beautiful lake or the entire Trent-Severin waterways for that matter!

In addition, I also understand the increasing liability that is faced by the City for such facilities but issues of insurance coverage is my concern and ultimate decision.

I would ask that City Council please reconsider the situation here and think of all future residents to this area and reconsider the issues of people like myself and change the policy regarding reassignment of dock space to families looking to own in the village of Greenhurst- Thurstonia so they may enjoy the Lake along with their new home.

Yours truly,

Andrew Girdler