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Sent: Tuesday, March 9, 2021 5:21 PM
To: Ron Ashmore <rashmore@kawarthalakes.ca>
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Subject: Thurstonia Park dock issues

Dear Councillor Ashmore,

I write to you today to express my family's extreme displeasure with the proposal before City of Kawartha Lakes council for the future of dock spaces in Thurstonia Park.

My mother's family has owned the same property and held the same dock space since 1953. Prior to the most recent changes and now these proposals, there were never any issues with the City or the Township before that regarding the docks in area. We paid the set fee and five generations of the family have enjoyed their time on Sturgeon Lake.

I fail to see the need to remove a vast number of docks or how that will improve the situation for taxpayers in the area -- something "good government" should strive to do at all times. One would have to openly question the motives of those who choose to act in opposition to the principal of good government.

I am also disappointed with the prejudice against so-called "backlot owners" -- a made-up term for a made-up problem. We pay property tax at the same rate as those on Hazel St. The fact remains that there are NO lakefront properties in Thurstonia Park. All properties are separated from the lake by at least one public road, in many cases trees and geography also obstruct views of the docks.

All property taxpayers deserve the same treatment and consideration from the City. To do otherwise is to play favourites and give unduly disadvantage those who have contributed to the economy of the City for many decades.

I hope that you, council and city staff will reconsider this misguided attempt to inflict change where none is warranted.

I look forward to council making a decision that treats residents and taxpayers with the respect they are due.

Sincerely,

Brian Gray, on behalf of:
Carol Gray,