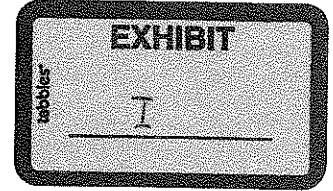


Rogers, Tom

From: Jan McGurk [jemcgurk70@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2009 9:02 PM
To: azul1@ix.netcom.com; Bob and Muriel Kimbley; Rogers, Tom
Subject: Huttinga pit



Dear Tom,

Regarding Dick Huttinga's gravel pit, I would like to note the following:

The bond to insure that reclamation is done needs to be much higher, and the reclaiming needs to be done on an ongoing basis, not when the pit permit runs out.

During a phone conversation in April, and also during a personal visit in September, Mr. Huttinga was notified of a company that encloses screens and crusher to minimize external noise. Mr. Huttinga informed me in September that this would not be necessary because he planned to close the pit due to the fact that it would not be profitable for him to continue. Needless to say I was most surprised to hear that he had requested the permit and extension through 2020 with no restrictions. We live on the hill overlooking the pit and own four lots in the subdivision, so obviously the lack of noise control and restrictions on hours concerns us greatly. Such a situation will have a very negative impact on the value of our property.

Also, I believe Dick's original permit stated that the homes affected by the pit are vacation homes only, not permanent homes, which, for the vast majority in the subdivision is not the case.

Mr. Huttinga was given the following information about noise reduction:

Acoustical Systems, Inc. in Vandalia, OH (www.acousticalsystems.com)

1-800-752-6640 or 1 937-898-3198

When Mr. Huttinga was given this information, he indicated that the cost of such a system was not worth the price.

We want to be good neighbors, and don't wish to affect anyone's livelihood, but we would expect the same respect in return so that we can continue to enjoy the quiet, tranquil setting we have in Montana. Your help in protecting the rights of the neighborhood is greatly appreciated. I know much time and effort has been expended in this endeavor. If you have questions we can be reached at 1-765-793-4681 after Jan. 17, as we will be traveling and away from home. Our time zone is 2 hours ahead of Montana. Thank you again for all your work on this.

Sincerely,
Tom and Jan McGurk