Job well done

Mary Oplinger <

Wed 3/17/2021 11:10 AM

To:town comments <tcomments@kitteryme.org>;

To the Kittery Town Council:

Thank you for your work in addressing the issue of former town councilors taking it upon themselves to correct what they saw as town employees cheating Kittery taxpayers. I feel assured that the remaining Kittery town council members, along with our town manager, are committed to following our town charter as a guide.

We can't know all the details of town management and that's why we have elected or hired trusted, law abiding, competent people to manage town business. I would like to think that if I were a councilor, town manager, or town employee, I could trust that my position was secure by all in town management following town law.

Your work is a complement to the Town of Kittery, making it a respectful and fair institution to work for and to be proud of.

Mary Oplinger Kittery Point

Thank you, reprise



Dear Kendra, Cyrus, Adam, and Council members, Kittery Town Council,

As spring comes and the snow melts off, I would like to reiterate my personal thanks for facilitating and voting to retain the one way experiment on Love Lane. It has been a *huge* improvement to our quality of life here at the west end of the street. Being able to have a full night's sleep and wake up naturally for the first time in years has been like a miracle. We have also enjoyed increased sociability on the lane, visiting with neighbors and strangers from other neighborhoods who now visit over the fence on their pedestrian way to and from the shopping hub at the bottom of the hill. It is a wonderful change.

Thank you so much

Best regards, Rex Richards 53 Love Lane

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Dryden House Stitching Rex Richards 207-439-9378 www.sewdhs.com From: Gary Beers

To:

Cc: Kendra Amaral; Altschiller, Howard

Subject: Denault - Lemont Issue

Date: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 10:54:33 AM

Giving thoughtful consideration to the recent Kittery Town Council events with respect to Messrs Denault and Lemont; ignoring snide innuendo and inferring nothing from speculation and gossip; I can only conclude that the Townspeople, and they, deserve the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth of the matter to be seen in full public transparency.

I respectfully request that Council establish a commission of private citizens, pursuant to Town Charter § 2.11 (3), "....conduct investigation.. into the conduct of any official. or department, or any matter relating to the welfare of the town." and so report.

Gary Beers 54 Lewis Road (207) 439-6313

Please pass to Dow.

From: D. Allan Kerr

To:

Cc: <u>Kendra Amaral</u>
Subject: Council statement

Date: Friday, March 12, 2021 6:36:45 AM

To those of you I actually know and respect, to say I'm disappointed in the report you released yesterday would be a vast understatement. Not only in the wording phrased to make Chuck Denault and Ken Lemont -- two lifelong residents and public servants -- sound like a couple of Peeping-Tom perverts, but in your decision to portray Lemont as a liar for the reasons he's stepping down. Lemont has been known throughout town as an all-around nice guy for many years now, and his family has served this town honorably for multiple generations. Denault, either as a cop or a councilor or a neighbor, has always been the guy who will go out of his way to help someone. Fortunately, they've both been in town long enough for people to know who they really are, and not as they've been portrayed by you.

Very disappointing to see what amounts to a smear campaign, and a return to the old days when Kittery used to make headlines for all the wrong reasons. Frankly, it was kind of a dumb move.

I expect this comment to be entered into the public record.

Sincerely,

D. Allan Kerr

From: Kittery ME via Kittery ME <cmsmailer@civicplus.com> Date: March 12, 2021 at

2:32:48 PM EST

To:

Subject: Form submission from: Questions / Comments

Reply-To: Kittery ME <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

Submitted on Friday, March 12, 2021 - 2:32pm Submitted by anonymous user: 72.73.78.128

Submitted values are:

Subject: Contact the Council

Message: I'm a journalist. I will following all your councilors to make sure they are not cutting corners. I will post my findings in every FB community page. You fuck with chuck, this will be your pay back. Bunch of white trash politicians. You all will be easy to pull down. Nothing is sacred. i will also be video taping. Same for all your cops. I will catch them all napping on video.

==Please provide the following information== Your Name: kraven mohrhead Your E-mail Address: mohrhead@google.com Organization:

Phone Number:

==Address==

Street:

City:

State:

Zipcode:

The results of this submission may be viewed at: https://www.kitteryme.gov/node/2/submission/10776

Non Resident Parking - Seapoint Beach

JPK Administrative Assistant <

Thu 3/18/2021 4:28 PM

To:town comments <tcomments@kitteryme.org>;

Dear Kittery Town Council,

I am writing because of the limited parking for Non-residents at Sea Point Beach. I have spoken with Kendra Amaral about this issue and she suggested that I write the town council. She said that you receive complaints that there isn't enough parking for Kittery Residents. I have noted that the spots right at the end of the road at the turn around are full most of the time. However, every time I go there are plenty of spots along the side of the road available for residents.

If it's a nice day and I'm trying to relax and drive all the way to Seapoint Beach but can't find a place to park it's quite disheartening. Then upon arrival I see how many open spaces aren't even being used by Kittery residents - but there is a fine of \$50 to park in those spaces - even though most are empty.

I am not exaggerating when I say that every time I go to Seapoint Beach there are plenty of available Kittery Resident spaces. I have even been taking pictures over the last couple years as documentation and can certainly send them if I need to.

My husband and I live in the neighboring town of Eliot. We have a PO Box in Kittery, shop in Kittery, eat at the restaurants, support local businesses and my husband works in Kittery. My father worked at the shipyard and I lived in Kittery as a child. We used to live in Kittery Point but moved to Eliot several years ago where we found more affordable housing. We really enjoy Sea Point beach but have been discouraged that we feel so unwelcome there due to the very limited parking for non-residents.

I can understand if you were to limit the parking for out of state residents. But we live in the state of Maine. The beach is part of the coast of Maine. We live and work in the same community. We are your neighbors. It's just sad that we don't feel welcome to use the beach.

Please consider adding some spaces for people with Maine license plates or at least converting another section along the road for non-residents because they are very seldom used by Kittery residents.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

L.P.

Parking on Dead-end of Norton Road



Fri 3/19/2021 12:04 PM

To:town comments <tcomments@kitteryme.org>;

Hello Town Council Members -

Kittery Land Trust has arbitrarily designated an area, which is merely a pull-over with cars half on the pavement and half off near the dead-end of Norton Road for parking as access to the Norton Preserve. We're not sure how they created this parking area without approval from the Town Council and now we have to jump through hoops to eliminate it. This has negatively impacted our neighborhood greatly as cars park virtually in front of our neighbor's house, with the accompanying noise of slamming doors, locks beeping, people congregating and conversing loudly, dogs running loose, and constant turning around in people's driveways. When we donated the land, there were no allowances for parking granted.

This is not the only access to the trails; furthermore, York Land Trust has created a large parking lot on Bartlett Road that can hold up to 20 cars where neighbors are not impacted. That parking lot has access to the trails. The Norton Preserve has existed successfully for approximately 15 years with no problems like this; it was not until Kittery Land Trust enhanced their website with the "P" symbol on Norton Road that the current problems arose and continue to increase the more word spreads. We request that parking on this end of Norton Road be eliminated.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Julie and George Patten

March 22, 2021

Councilors and Town Manager,

Thank you for the prompt and appropriate action in unanimously accepting the resignations of the former town councilors Denault and Lemont.

Kittery's residents expect elected officials to strictly adhere to proper modes of behavior and legal procedures. The misguided behavior of the two former town councilors to pursue town employees ignores procedural guidelines outlined in Kittery's Town Charter and breaks the trust citizens have in their leaders.

I have witnessed in my forty-years as a Kittery resident the highs and lows in how our town is governed and I am very pleased to observe that the action taken by Kittery's current officials and staff to remove the offending former councilors is memorable and laudatory.

Thank you, ~Roger Cole Kittery Point