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*Resident (Print)*

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Mayors and Councillors,

As a resident and rate payer in the Township of Perth East, I feel compelled to write to you to express my concerns with the recent council meeting on April 3, 2018, specifically with the passage of By-Law 15-2018.

I as a concerned citizen feel that I need to make you aware of our constitutional right to prevent any and all persons from access to property without prior permission or a court granted warrant. I feel that this By-Law, 15-2018, through the appointment of the Property Standards Officer, violates these rights and needs to be repealed or revised.

I understand a motion to defer the appointment was presented at council, and the majority of council took blatant disregard to this good option to further discuss the issue and hear from concerned stakeholders, which were present during said council meeting. Council was made aware of Perth County Federation of Agriculture's desire to present as a delegation to council, the Mayor acknowledged the delegation's presence but did not allow a presentation. The Federation request for a delegation presentation was submitted, by email, on time, but allegedly lost. This was not in the best interest of the residents of the township.

The presentation by the appointee to council was out of line, shows disregard to due process and the advice given to council was inappropriate. The appointee is not a lawyer and should NOT be giving council legal advice nor commenting to what extent she WILL enforce the law versus what MAY be enforced!

Therefore I feel, given the circumstances under which this ByLaw was pushed through, that council needs to revisit this issue. Under this revision council needs to take all of the concerns from the constituents and rate payers under consideration and work to ensure that the ByLaws of the township do not infringe upon the Constitutional rights of the citizens that council represents.

Respectfully,

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*Signed*

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*Dated*