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Dear Norwich Selectboard Members:

We are your neighbors. More specifically, we are neighbors of the proposed Public Safety building. While we support the construction of a new Public Safety building, we have concerns about several aspects of the new building and grounds, and how this will affect the neighborhood.

Residents of Norwich know that this was not the first-choice location for a new Public Safety building. However, years of political discussion ended with the decision to construct the Public Safety building adjacent to the Norwich Public Library, next door to the Senior Housing, and right in the middle of our in-town neighborhood. While we village residents accept that the new facility will mean more municipal activity in our backyard, we would ask that town officials acknowledge that this residential neighborhood is not the place for commercial lighting, expansive parking lots, or extensive police and firefighter training drills.

We have 3 specific requests for you to review in this project: the parking extension, the training fire hydrant, and the lighting.

- 1) Current plans increase parking from 9 spaces to 31. Based on previous and anticipated use, this seems more than adequate. We therefore request that you remove the plan that permits future expansion of the paved parking area. As we understand it there is currently no funding for the parking expansion. And after speaking to the fire chief, and selectboard members, it really seems there is no need for it. The location of the parking lot extension was once a community garden for the seniors living next door. It's a "green space" Please don't "pave paradise to put up a parking lot."
- 2) Water runoff and sewage in the village has been a long-term concern, and often debated subject by town officials. Does it make sense to add the water volume of a training fire hydrant to an area that has had water drainage problems in the past? The east end of Carpenter Street is known for mounded septic systems, septic drainage routed under the road and across the street, basements with sump pumps, and a swale to divert drainage from the higher grounds. Does it make sense to conduct fire hydrant practice next to kids playing ball on the lawn, in the path neighbors of all ages use to get to the library, or near senior citizens putting on their field? We ask that you move this practice hydrant to a safer place, and one that will avoid potential water problems.
- 3) The lighting of the police and fire buildings, as it currently stands, is at a very acceptable level. However, we worry that the 18ft lights at the edge of the parking will make our neighborhood have a very industrial feel. Certainly the safety of those parked at night is of utmost concern, but we worry that the proposed lighting will extend beyond the parking areas and drastically change the feel of our neighborhood. We would ask that you consider lower height on the light poles, and the use of timers/motion detectors. Perimeter landscaping with greenery could probably do a lot to help shield the light from neighbors and we would ask that you add this to the plans.

While we realize you do not live close enough to feel the direct impact of this new building, we write to remind you that there is a whole neighborhood and Senior Housing complex that will feel its impact. We ask that as selectboard members, you review the project as if you were one of those neighbors. Please consider if it were being built in your backyard, what would you want the impact of it to be.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Briggs  
Michael Lyons  
17 Carpenter Street  
Norwich VT

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**STUART L. RICHARDS**  
PO Box 156, #82 Elm Street  
Norwich, Vermont 05055  
Tel: 802-649-3928  
Email: srichards@globalrescue.com

April 29, 2017

Dear Selectboard Members,

At the Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, April 27, the PC informed the Public that it was their intention to complete work on the Town Plan in May and have the required Public Meeting on or about June 14 prior to submission of the Town Plan to the Selectboard. Most importantly, it is their intention to present a Town Plan with few modifications to the Town Plan that expired December 14, 2016 in the hope that it will form the basis for the PC's already proposed Mixed Use District of 350 acres with densities up to 8 units per acre including significant commercial development.

The expired plan states in many places the following:

"This plan envisions the Route 5 corridor in Norwich as a suitable location for higher-density or -intensity uses, including commercial activities"

As you are well aware, submission of this new Town Plan is late as it should have been submitted prior to expiration of the Town Plan in December. We will have lost at least 6 months and probably longer when we might have gotten grant money. It is sad that no true survey comparable to the one in 2005 which had 990 responses was done to assess what the Town wanted. In addition, the PC selectively quoting from the 2005 Survey is misleading.

Please recall the objections too numerous to count that have been raised on the Listserv and at the well attended public meeting relating to the PC's zoning proposal. The PC is choosing to ignore these objections and to not revise the Town Plan to reflect these objections. It is highly likely that the Town will vote against the PC's Town Plan if in fact the Selectboard approves it (and I certainly hope you will not approve it) which will result in more lost time to have an approved Town Plan. There is a petition circulating to put the Town Plan to a town-wide vote. A vote would not be necessary if the PC would seriously consider the objections that have been raised.

To date, the PC has acted unanimously by consensus without taking votes on their actions. They have called for public input. They have received a good many comments but chosen to ignore them in formulating the new Town Plan. I believe that the PC would benefit, as would the Public, if there was representation on the PC of the opinions of a sizeable number of members of the Public so that there would be diversity of opinion on the PC that is reflected in their actions. It is troubling that so many comments from the public are ignored.

I ask that you have at your next meeting an agenda item that specifically addresses the enlargement of the PC to either 9 or 11 members so that there can be representation for the public's comments and so that there can be diversity of opinion on the Planning Commission.

Your thoughtful consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

  
Stuart L. Richards

SLR: mtf

Miranda Bergmeier

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**From:** John Farrell <jjtawister@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 30, 2017 7:42 AM  
**To:** Miranda Bergmeier  
**Subject:** PC REZONING SCHEME

I have attended several meetings of the Norwich PC and have been vocal on the Norwich List Serve regarding the proposed rezoning of parts of Norwich.

Please be advised that as a resident and voter in Norwich I am against the rezoning plan as it stands. It is my opinion that the member of the Norwich Planning Commission has an agenda that is most likely NOT what the voters in the town want to see enacted.

I would also like to see a greater variety of viewpoints on the planning commission. It appears that ALL members of the planning commission are pushing for the rezoning without seriously taking into consideration what the majority of the voters wish. In order to allow for different perspectives it would be a good idea to add additional members to the PC.

Thanks,

John Farrell

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## Miranda Bergmeier

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**From:** Judy Phillips <jphillips729@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 8:40 PM  
**To:** Miranda Bergmeier  
**Cc:** Stuart Richards  
**Subject:** Please Expand The Planning Commission

Please consider expansion of the Planning Commission to include divergent views on development in our town. An in-depth analysis of the need and impact of the proposed re-zoning is viewed as essential by many residents, judging from the number of thoughtful posts on the listserv. Alternative use for that parcel is recommended to preserve open space and/or potentially put the land to agricultural use, in keeping with the town's traditions and rural character.

Judy & Joseph M. Phillips

**Miranda Bergmeier**

**From:** wsmith4203@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 10:11 AM  
**To:** Miranda Bergmeier  
**Cc:** 'John Farrell'; psmith4203@gmail.com; 'Joshua Durst'; fallanighnigh@yahoo.com; elizblum@gmail.com; csittle@gmail.com; mbaghd@aol.com; cbrochu30@gmail.com; 'Dean Seibert'; jonathanvinc@gmail.com; 'Kris Clement'; 'David Sargent'; nhdean@comcast.net; johnskerr2@gmail.com; 'Linda Cook'; 'Dan Goulet'; jphillips729@earthlink.net; 'Jim Gold'; 'Scott McGee'; Ernie.Ciccotelli@gmail.com; msbcalloway@gmail.com; office@fmanasek.com; levynorman01@gmail.com; usmcbirthdayball@gmail.com; Colin.G.Calloway@dartmouth.edu; calliope54@aol.com; Colin.G.Calloway@dartmouth.edu; Marcia.S.Calloway@dartmouth.edu; 'Stuart Richards'  
**Subject:** Planning Commission Enlargement

Dear Ms. Bergmeier,

Please present to the Select Board my support for an expanded Planning Commission membership. I would like to see new Commission members who will represent the opinions and wishes of the many Norwich citizens who are concerned with the current direction of the proposed Town Plan. This expanded membership will help guide the Commission in a direction that represents a broader range of Norwich citizen's views. For starters, I recommend that Stuart Richards be appointed to the current Planning Commission as soon as possible.

Wilfred Smith  
1445 New Boston Road



## Miranda Bergmeier

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**From:** Mary Layton <[marydlayton@gmail.com](mailto:marydlayton@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 10:57 AM  
**To:** James Gold  
**Cc:** Miranda Bergmeier; Stephen Flanders; Linda Cook  
**Subject:** Re: Enlarge the Planning Commission

Thanks Jim

I would like to point out that I raised this idea as a possible agenda item for our next regular Select Board meeting. A majority of SB members did not support including the item, and felt the current Planning Commission Board configuration should stay in place.

Your concerns may also extend to discussion of the Town Plan, which is an agenda item supported for inclusion at the next regular meeting.

Mary Layton

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 1, 2017, at 8:52 AM, James Gold <[jcgfromaol@gmail.com](mailto:jcgfromaol@gmail.com)> wrote:  
>  
> Miranda,  
> Please circulate this e-mail to current members of the SelectBoard. I wholeheartedly support the idea of enlarging the Planning Commission to 9 or 11 members so that a diversification of public opinion is considered as a new town plan is created.  
> Thank you,  
> Jim Gold

**Miranda Bergmeier**

**From:** Penny McConnel <pennymcconnel@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 12:19 PM  
**To:** Miranda Bergmeier  
**Subject:** message for the Select Board re the PC

Miranda,

I am hoping that this email is sufficient to let the Select Board know that I would like them to enlarge the Planning Commission to 9 or 11 members so that there is a wider view of public opinion considered as the new town plan is created. There must be more town input into this very critical decision for our town.

Could you please let me know if there is a formal way to do this or if you can just pass this email along to the Board..

Many thanks,  
Penny McConnel  
3 Waterman Hill Road  
Norwich



## Miranda Bergmeier

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**From:** USMC Birthday Ball <usmcbirthdayball@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 1:44 PM  
**To:** Miranda Bergmeier  
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**Subject:** Re: Planning Commission Enlargement

Please present to the Select Board my support for an expanded Planning Commission membership and my suggestion that Stuart Richards and Frank Manasek be added to the board..

The town needs new Commission members who will represent the opinions and wishes of the numerous Norwich citizens who are concerned with the current direction of the proposed Town Plan but find themselves shunned aside, their thoughts disregarded and even insulted by current board members. Expanded membership will help guide the Commission in a direction that represents a broader range of Norwich citizen's views. It is unfortunate that this board is so dominated by newcomers to the town with little regard or respect for Norwich history.

Rusty Sachs  
15 Hopson Lane

**Miranda Bergmeier**

**From:** Manager Assistant  
**Subject:** FW: Planning Commission Enlargement

**From:** Colin G. Calloway [<mailto:Colin.G.Calloway@dartmouth.edu>]

**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 1:52 PM

**To:** Miranda Bergmeier

**Cc:** John Farrell; [psmith4203@gmail.com](mailto:psmith4203@gmail.com); Joshua Durst; [fallanighnigh@yahoo.com](mailto:fallanighnigh@yahoo.com); [elizblum@gmail.com](mailto:elizblum@gmail.com); [csittle@gmail.com](mailto:csittle@gmail.com); [mbaghd@aol.com](mailto:mbaghd@aol.com); [cbrochu30@gmail.com](mailto:cbrochu30@gmail.com); Dean J. Seibert; [jonathanvinc@gmail.com](mailto:jonathanvinc@gmail.com); Kris Clement; David Sargent; [nhdean@comcast.net](mailto:nhdean@comcast.net); [johnskerr2@gmail.com](mailto:johnskerr2@gmail.com); Linda Cook; Dan Goulet; [jphillips729@earthlink.net](mailto:jphillips729@earthlink.net); Jim Gold; Scott McGEE; [Ernie.Ciccotelli@gmail.com](mailto:Ernie.Ciccotelli@gmail.com); Marcia Calloway; Office; [levynorman01@gmail.com](mailto:levynorman01@gmail.com); calliope54; Marcia S. Calloway; Stuart Richards; [wsmith4203@gmail.com](mailto:wsmith4203@gmail.com); USMC Birthday Ball

**Subject:** Re: Planning Commission Enlargement

Please add my support for expanded Planning Commission membership. Some of us who live in the area designated for re-zoning would also like to request a meeting with the Select Board to present our concerns about the current Planning Commission.

Colin Calloway

**Miranda Bergmeier**

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**From:** psmith4203@gmail.com  
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Pamela Smith  
1445 New Boston Road

Miranda Bergmeier

**Subject:** FW: Planning Commission Enlargement

**From:** Cheryl Sittle [<mailto:csittle@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 5:04 PM  
**To:** Miranda Bergmeier  
**Cc:** Stuart+Richards+; [wsmith4203@gmail.com](mailto:wsmith4203@gmail.com); John+M+Farrell+; Judy+Phillips+  
**Subject:** Fwd: Planning Commission Enlargement

It is my most sincere hope that there can be an expansion of the Planning Commission for the process of determining how Norwich will go forward with development.

In various parts of the country, over a few decades, I experienced development and growth that was poorly conceived and overly done. Seeing the potential of what could occur here (after 19 years of residency) is truly frightening to me. The proposals at this point for the rezoning do not appear to take into consideration enough of the thoughtful and insightful information and input of residences who have spoken at meetings and posted on the listserve.

Development and growth to some degree is inevitable, but it can be done smartly, while taking into consideration a great many aspects of what makes life more balanced and enjoyable. Bumper to bumper traffic, traffic light after traffic light, more pollution, disappearing green spaces and wildlife/wetlands endangerment-to name a few; one seem to be what are optimal changes for the town and this area.

Please allow for an expansion of the committee.

Thank you,  
Cheryl Sittle  
248 Main Street

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Town Manager and Select Board  
Town of Norwich  
Norwich, VT 05055

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Re: Request for records

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Vermont's Public Records Act, 1 V.S.A. 315-320, I hereby request copies of the following records:

A list of any and all contracts, agreements, proposals, or any other evidence of work for or business with the Town of Norwich which was previously completed, or is in progress, or is proposed to be done by Pathways Consulting, LLC, a civil engineering and planning firm with one of its principals being Jeffrey Goodrich. Please include the date and subject of each listed contract, agreement, proposal or other evidence of work by Pathways Consulting, LLC for the Town of Norwich.

I am addressing this request to you in the belief that you are the custodian of such documents. If you are not, I request that you forward my request to the proper custodian of such documents and inform me of who that person is.

I hereby agree to pay reasonable and customary costs for these copies upon delivery, provided that you inform me in advance of the cost before incurring the expense.

If the law does not allow me to have access to some of these records, please inform me within three business days, as provided by law, and inform me of the specific exemption that applies to each record or portion of a record being withheld. If an otherwise public record has a portion that is exempt from disclosure, please redact the exempt portion and release a copy of the rest of the document together with a notation of the specific exemption that applies to the redacted portion.

If some or all of my request is denied, please tell me the title and name of the person responsible for the denial and, as the law requires, please inform me of the appeal procedures available to me and the name of the person to whom an appeal may be made.

If you have questions about this request, please contact me by e-mail, [msbcalloway@gmail.com](mailto:msbcalloway@gmail.com)

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

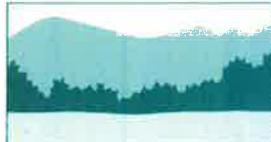


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## UPPER VALLEY LAND TRUST

April 26, 2017

Town of Norwich  
c/o Herbert A. Durfee, Town Manager  
P.O. Box 376  
Norwich, VT 05055

Re: Monitoring of the conserved town property, "Norwich (Milton Frye) Nature Area"

Dear Neil,

It looks like UVLT volunteer monitor Liz Russell along with Lindsay Putnam of the Norwich School had a nice visit to the Milt Frye Nature Area a few days ago. It sounds like everything is in order there, except for the mention of a rogue mountain bike trail coming into the property from the south east. Other than that everything seems to be going well on the property.

This year, UVLT is celebrating 30 years of conservation. We are thrilled that you, and so many other land owners, have joined us in the pursuit of protection for the special places that we all love. Through the hard work of staff, 100 volunteers, 7 corporate groups, and our land owners UVLT has been able to protect working farms, large forest blocks, riparian areas, and recreational trails for generations to come.

With the addition of a Programs Director to the staff we are working harder than ever to engage and inform the public of our mission and our members of goings on at UVLT. All information about recent easement closings, public events, and updates from the field can be found on our website, [www.UVLT.org](http://www.UVLT.org), and our [Facebook](#) page.

I have enclosed a copy of this year's monitoring report for the property. As always, we will keep a copy of this report in our files. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about recent happenings at UVLT, don't hesitate to get in touch. I look forward to working with you more in the future!

Sincerely,

Alison Marchione  
UVLT Land Steward

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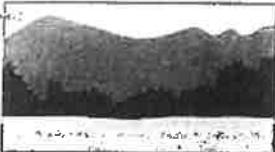
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Inspection Date: 2/8/16

## EASEMENT MONITORING INSPECTION REPORT

Project Name: Norwich (Milton Frve) Nature Area

Monitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer? Yes  No

Acreage: 35.5 acres

Location: Main Street and Route 5, Norwich, VT

Current Owner: Town of Norwich (c/o David Ormiston, Interim Town Manager)

Address: P.O. Box 376, Norwich VT 05055

Phone: (802)649-1419

David Ormiston E-mail: [nitlow@norwich.vt.us](mailto:nitlow@norwich.vt.us), [Norwich.conervation.commission@gmail.com](mailto:Norwich.conervation.commission@gmail.com);  
[lindsay.putnam@hanovernorwichschools.org](mailto:lindsay.putnam@hanovernorwichschools.org) (for MFNAC)

Cell:

UVLT #: 243

Other interest ref. #: N/A

Landowner contacted prior to inspection: Yes  No

Date:

Phone  Voice Mail  E-mail  Other

Name of person contacted: David Ormiston and Lindsay Putnam

BY:  Jason Berard, UVLT Stewardship Director

Doug Brown, UVLT Land Steward

Alison Marchione, UVLT Land Steward

UVLT Volunteer Brie Swenson

### Details of conversation/communication:

New Buildings/Construction

Timber Harvest

Public recreation

Renting Fields/Delegating Mgmt

Assistance of UVLT needed

Natural Alterations (flood, erosion, blowdowns)

Change in Ownership

Anticipated Legal Changes

Changes in use of fields or buildings

Other

### Please describe:

I sent an email to the TM, the NCC and Lindsay Putnam. Lindsay responded and we set a date for Sat. April 15 @ 10 am. Brie Swenson accompanied us for about half the visit. Brie is on the Norwich Rec. Com. Lindsay said that since the Committee is down to two regular members (Lindsay + George Clark), they may fold into the NCC.

## Observations from Monitoring Visit:

### **Description of current land use/Site description:**

This nature area sits in a very prominent spot in Norwich, visible to all who enter town and all those traveling on both Route 5 and I-91. With a prominent access point behind the Marion Cross elementary school, it is also well used by students during and after classes. There is a permanent orienteering course on the protected property. The students and the MFNAC also work hard to control invasives. It is nearly entirely forested, with a single open meadow and orchard area near the western edge. UVLT approved an updated Management Plan for the property in 2008.

Did you meet with the landowner / manager on the day of the monitoring visit?

Yes     No    Name(s): Lindsay Peetnam

Which activities / changes have taken place since the last monitoring inspection?

Timber Harvest     Agriculture     Field Maintenance     Boundary Maintenance  
 Land Clearing     Subdivision     Trail Work     Building

A small area of land has been cleared in preparation for building an outdoor education shelter that was approved in 2015. Still not built.

To your knowledge, have any of these recreational activities taken place on the property?

Walking     Mountain biking     Snowmobiling     Horseback riding  
 Skiing     Hunting     Other: outdoor education\*

Lindsay will have MCS students do trail clearing this spring. For that reason we did not do any on our visit. Very little trash or dog poop (none) was observed.

List man-made alterations and management activities, conducted or planned. (For example, construction, dredging, filling, trails, timber harvest, clearing new fields, etc.) Describe activity or alteration, noting extent, location, purpose, individual responsible (if known).

On the north boundary, the (new?) neighbors have cleared a large swath of their property. Lindsay is concerned about the opening up for invasives. She may talk to the owners to see what their plans are. The Town is pruning the apples in meadow.

List natural alterations/occurrences (erosion, fire, ice, invasives, flora / fauna). Note location and nature and attach maps, photos, and illustrations as necessary.

Lindsay seemed to think the spraying for invasives in - - - was successful but since nothing had leafed out, it was difficult to be sure.

Is there activity on abutting land? Please describe:  
(see above)

To the best of your knowledge and observation, is there compliance with all restrictions specified in the conservation easement? Please describe.

Yes     No    MFNAC has instituted Dog leash policy  
Seems to be working very well.

Please describe your inspection, including observations/comments, management needs, info requests, boundary condition notes, plans that may affect property, etc. Attach maps, photos, and illustrations as necessary.

Lindsay, Brie and I walked the perimeter except for the jumbled south end, starting along the trail at the western side of the property. At the point where the stone wall divides wooded area from the meadow, we followed it down to the brook where a sharp, boot-shaped boundary confused us. We found a pin with Buckthorn & Burning bush sprouts on one side - A pine tree had several branches removed - Lindsay thinks it was on Neighbors land - hard to tell - Neighbors have also built a small bridge over brook. We walked up along stone wall to boundary across meadow to far side. We observed stream erosion and area where town installed crushed rock in order to get equipment across. We walked thru remains of old pasture gate about where meadow & wooded area begins. We walked down to brook noting severe erosion and plantings to help (at some point) minimize erosion. Noticed number of old apple trees. Lindsay pointed out rogue bike trail going along brook, large cut went up SE boundary. We followed fencing pretty much around remainder of property. Nothing notable observed.

Lindsay is a wealth of information on this land and has been involved with Nature Area since it was conserved by UVLT.

The Committee gave permission to Gered Dunne (?) Rec. Com. (?) for a one-time kids' mountain biking trip. Sounds like that won't be repeated mostly because of potential disruption to trails & possible rogue development.

Monitor name & title (i.e. "Volunteer"): Lisa Russell, Volunteer

Signature: Elizabeth W. Russell Date: April 21, 2017

#### CONTACT INFO:

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May 4, 2017

Representative, Tim Briglin  
Representative, Jim Masland  
Listers, Town of Norwich  
Board of Selectman, Town of Norwich  
Town Manager, Town of Norwich

Greetings everybody,

I am writing once again to report there has been no progress at either the state or town level abating the situation next door, at 355 Campbell Flat Road. Back in October I wrote at Tim and Jim's recommendation to the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation, and never heard back.

Another year has passed and the situation is getting worse. There are now eight unregistered cars upon which other metal 'material' and garbage is being piled. We recently had our house reappraised for refinancing purposes and it came in below the town assessment.

This has been going on for 40 years now. We feel we should not be paying taxes while this situation continues to be tolerated by the town. There isn't a day when someone comes here doesn't mention it; how would it be possible to sell our house with this open 'dump' next door? In addition to the garbage, there are the dozens of feral cats running through the adjacent properties.

I have attached the select board, town manager and listers to this thread in the hopes we have new members who may have ideas on a solution. My mother is in her 96th year, and still has to tolerate this after many years of pleas for help from the town. We feel very uncomfortable in talking to them, in the past they have become very hostile when we have broached the subject.

Please ask yourself: what if this situation was adjacent to your property? What if you had asked for relief for decades with no meaningful response? I look forward to hearing your ideas on remediation.

Sincerely,

David R. Sargent, Jr. and Ann Shriver Sargent

CC:

Jane O. Sargent, 360 Campbell Flat Road  
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