Subject: FW: A Councilor's lament of curious nature

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> Sir:
> I must admit that I read with some amusement and indeed amazement the
> lament of North Van. District Councillor MacKay-Dunn about his shabby
> treatment at the hands of GVRD Chair Puil, see the OUTLOOK.
> According to the story, the Councillor, after serving two one year terms
> on the GVRD water committee, was given the heave ho by Chair Puil.
> According to MacKay-Dunn, Puil is against seriously investigating
> Harrison Lake as a regional water source and instead is determined to
> pursue the Capilano and Seymour option which the CCA endorsed District
> Councillor thinks is a bad idea.
> I happen to concur with the Councillor that the GVRD, before spending
> hundreds of millions of dollars, should have investigated all Lower
> Mainland options including not only Harrison but also Pitt Lake which
> happens to have a quality so high that it requires no treatment
> whatsoever.
> Suffice it to say that the GVRD has never done a comprehensive resource
> study of all the water reserves in the Lower Mainland and has never done
> a comprehensive cost benefit study either. I pointed this out on numerous
> occasions and so indeed did other people with some expertise.
> The curious aspect of the story, however, is that I was not re appointed
> to the GVRD either, but not because of Chair Puil but because of
> Councillor MacKay Dunn and his other CCA endorsed cronies on District
> Council. No sooner did the "Concerned Citizens" (CCA) elect its
> endorsed slate which included Mackay-Dunn, when I was removed not just
> from one GVRD committee but from all GVRD committees. But the CCA gang
> went one step further. They nixed all my Council committee wishes as
> well, including the Recreation Commission to which I had applied and they
> kept doing it for two years running.
> Now here is my punch line and the moral of the story. I am not complaining
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> about the treatment I received and continue to receive from the CCA
> endorsed gang which other than myself includes all members of the
> present District Council. Indeed that is exactly what I expected from this
> "friendly" assembly. I find it somewhat hypocritical however that one of
> its chieftains should be whimpering when they do to him what he and his
> "friends" have done and continue to do to me.
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> Ernie Crist.
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