

Subject: FW: Proposed By-law

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From: Ernie Crist
Sent: Sunday, July 10, 2005 9:32 PM
To:
Subject: RE: Proposed By-law

Dear Ms

1. When it comes to environmental protection including the use of pesticides, herbicides etc, the Federal Government has absolutely no credibility nor (with the exception of Quebec) do Provincial Governments. This is the case both at home and abroad. Suffice it to say that Canada still allows the dumping of raw sewage into the Oceans, Rivers and Lakes.

2. The USA, according to the UN Health Organisation is the worlds biggest atmospheric polluter pouring, as it does 6 billion tons of toxins into the air annually, while Canada, with one tenth of the population, is on an equal footing pouring as it does 600 million tons of toxins into the air annually. It is only because of our still relatively sparse population that the effects are not as visible as they would be otherwise but the degree of irresponsibility is not diminished as a result. The effects of pollution are world wide.

3. When it comes to the treatment of waste water and storm waters, we are still struggling with primary treatment, when the rest of the developed world, with the possible exception of the U.S. has already progressed to the tertiary stage and even the fourth and final stage.

4. When it comes to the treatment of solid waste, we are the most backward of all developed countries.

5. Not only are Canada's environmental laws weak but they are very rarely enforced.

6. In Canada environmental control is not dictated by the government, it seems, but by the corporations and this is a fact which has been corroborated by any and all credible institutions of science and academic learning and also by the CBC. This has been done repeatedly which may be one of the reasons why the Canadian corporate agenda calls for the abolition of the CBC. Suffice it to say that the government is considering allowing DDT which has been condemned by the world health organisation many years ago as one of the deadliest toxins, to be used again as an acceptable pesticide.

7. With this in mind and with the health problems, including cancer, growing at an alarming rate it now falls on Local Governments to rise to the occasion.

8. Yes, Local Governments should not have to do this and yes, they are the least equipped to enforce them but, in the absence of any kind of responsibility by the senior levels of government we have no


choice but to light a flame in the darkness. Yours truly, Ernie Crist

Sent: Sunday, July 10, 2005 5:46 PM
To: DNVCouncil <<mailto:DNVCouncil@telus.net>>
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Dear Mayor and All Councilors - District of North Vancouver

It was brought to my attention by Weed Man, the Lawn Maintenance Company I contracted for the care of my lawn that a proposed by-law to prevent the use of pesticides on our lawn. I oppose to the proposed North Vancouver Pesticide Use Control By-law. I do not see any reason to justify stoppage of the use of products that were federally tested and approved.

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