

Subject: An open letter to Tudor & Cashel Council

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To the Reeve and Councillors of Tudor and Cashel Township Council,

On behalf of the membership of the Steenburg Lake Community Association, I wish to express how surprised many of us were to find that the issue of the year-round maintenance of Steenburg Lake South Road was not on the agenda of your June meeting. This was rather surprising as this is clearly unresolved business. But what was actually shocking was the way that Reeve Clarke abruptly halted any discussion of the matter when Councillor Bridger tried to raise it as incomplete business. This action immediately threw a dampening tone on the remainder of the meeting, and left all of us in the audience in disbelief. If there was an error in the way Councillor Bridger brought forward the item, it should have been dealt with in a more respectful manner.

This does not sound like the transparent and open governance that was promised in the recent election.

Could you please explain how it was that the Steenburg Lake South Road was not on the agenda?

Following Ms. Schad's very capable presentation to Council on May 7th, Council was invited to share the information that she had amassed with the Township's solicitors. Has this been done? If so, what was the response provided? If it was not done, why not?

Furthermore, what is the status of negotiations with Limerick Township with regards to a maintenance agreement for the said road?

This is a matter of utmost importance to our community. Your constituents deserve to be kept abreast of developments with regards to this issue. Given its importance and the long history behind this road, I submit that it would be appropriate to make the Steenburg Lake South Road maintenance agreement a standing issue in all your meetings until a proper and acceptable resolution is reached. The Steenburg Lake Community Association remains ready to provide any assistance it can to help all parties arrive at an acceptable resolution for the betterment of the community and both host Townships.

Please advise what the status of this matter is, and please confirm that it will be included in your July Council Meeting agenda.

Respectfully,

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