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Darlene Turner

From: Nancy Uschold [nuschold@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2021 3:39 PM
To: Darlene Turner
Subject: "Green" Rocket Launch?

Dear Ms. Turner:

When I heard of a rocket launch at KI Sawyer, it seemed an appropriate use consideration for an old airforce base. When the site was changed to Granot Loma – to the surprise of public officials and the general public, I became skeptical – and so should you.

The reason given for the change is the danger of a vertical launch over inhabited land. This means we were misled and Sawyer was never in consideration for a vertical launch. Interestingly, Oscoda/Wurtsmith Airport, which is on Lake Huron, was awarded the horizontal launch. Based on information shared with the public, Oscoda would be appropriate for the vertical launch and Sawyer for the horizontal launch. Why choose a pristine forested area when a developed industrial site was available? Especially for a so called "green" project – a dubious claim.

"Green" is not the same as "Green Washed". The latter is the appearance of environmental practices while the product or industry remains highly problematic and unsustainable. With research, I discovered there is a "greener" rocket fuel. The old fuel is so toxic (and expensive) it was not difficult to make something "greener". Unfortunately, a cheaper "greener" fuel DOES NOT make the industry "Green".

Here are some metrics for Michigan Aerospace Manufacturer's Association to consider for a truly Green project:

1. Re-use developed industrial areas vs. cutting forested areas.
2. Become 100% carbon neutral, from cradle to grave, for the full operation.
3. Become a certified B Corporation – certifying "social and environmental performance"
4. Guarantee debris inadvertently dropped onto land and water is biodegradable, non-toxic and / or easily recovered. Things do not degrade in cold, fresh water as they do in salt water.
5. Set aside a huge fund in perpetuity to guarantee costs incurred from environmental contamination will be born in full by the companies involved, and never by taxpayers.

Sincerely,

Nancy Uschold

Darlene Turner

From: Robert Thompson [ret003@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 10:34 AM
To: Darlene Turner
Subject: Powell Property Owner - NO SPACEPORT - All Risk NO Reward

Dear Supervisor Turner,

Less than a year ago I purchased 24 acres on the shoreline of Lake Superior in Powell Township with the intention of building a cabin for my family and friends to enjoy for years to come. That plan has since been put on hold until an outcome has been determined for the proposed rocket launch site at Granot Loma.

Beyond the deplorable greed of certain public officials, it's the utter disregard for our extraordinary neighbors and precious landscape that has ignited an inner rage unlike anything I have experienced before. The industrialization of our shoreline would most certainly result in irreparable harm to our sacred surroundings and for that reason I am committed to do whatever necessary to defeat this proposal.

Please publicly note my letter of opposition to the spaceport proposal and to any proposals for zoning changes that would enable it. I kindly request that you provide hard copies to fellow board/commission members and post online with the board/commission website minutes documents.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Thompson

Darlene Turner

From: Maria Smith [m65smith65@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2021 2:53 PM
To: Darlene Turner
Subject: Rocket launch

Dear Mr. Bevins,

Please please encourage the township to fight the rocket launch proposed for powell twsp. This will be catastrophic to the area(no big bay is not a playground for us trolls) believe me it is a nostalgic, and peaceful area, that will be forever changed in its makeup of nature and beauty. You have a piece of heaven on earth there in big bay!! Fight this all the way sir. Let them put it in the keenawaw, the remote out of the way place where a rocket launch pad already exists from the 1960's!!!

Thank you, Sincerely,
Maria Smith
Memphis, MICHIGAN

Darlene Turner

From: Bill Ford [wgford1951@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 8:41 AM
To: Darlene Turner
Subject: Spaceport Grand Loma

Vertical launch site could evolve. Menthol and liquid oxygen produce nothing but water vapor.

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Kelli Santilli

From: Sanchez, Shawn S CIV USARMY CELRE (USA) [Shawn.S.Sanchez@usace.army.mil]
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 8:33 AM
To: Nancy Gaines
Cc: Kelli Santilli; Wezner, Cheryl L CIV USARMY CELRE (USA)
Subject: RE: Renewal of annual fireworks, Dept. of Army License No. DACW35-3-95-3007, (U.S. West Breakwater, Big Bay Hbr, MI)

Dear Ms. Santilli: Thank you for sending the e-mail below. My apologies in the big delay in my response. I was looking back at some older e-mails this morning and I saw this one and realized I did not recall seeing this before. Thank you for confirming that the township wants to renew the subject license.

Please be aware that our administrative fee policy has changed since the township's last license renewal. The admin fees are now based on the life of the agreement. This factors in the entire five (5) year term of the license renewal and some of the new variables we must charge for include, but are not limited to, the following items: outgrant compliance inspections, checking up on liability insurance or proof of self insurance annually, and routine file and real estate database maintenance over the five (5) year term. In the past, the admin fee only covered the Corps' efforts when it related to pre-processing and internal coordination, which lead to a fully executed renewal document. Therefore, what used to be considered essentially a nominal fee in the past (i.e. the township's last renewal admin fee was \$450.00 dollars), is now typically costing within a range of \$3,000.00- \$4,000.00 dollars.

Please let me know if the township would still like to pursue this renewal considering this higher admin fee is required. If this is amenable, a "Letter Agreement" document would be prepared stating the total required admin fee cost, which would be sent to the township and would require approval and signature along with providing payment by check, before preparing the necessary renewal documents in accordance with our new policy.

Please note that I have copied Ms. Cheryl Wezner on this e-mail. She will be your main point of contact on this pending action if the township decides to pursue this license renewal. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Cheryl or myself.

**Thank you, sincerely,
Shawn**

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From: Deputy Treasurer <dep-treasurer@powelltownship.org>
Sent: Monday, November 02, 2020 10:26 AM
To: Sanchez, Shawn S CIV USARMY CELRE (USA) <Shawn.S.Sanchez@usace.army.mil>
Cc: Arline Erickson <Treasurer@powelltownship.org>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Renewal of annual fireworks (Department of Army License No. DACW35-3-95-3007)

Good morning,

Powell Township would like to renew our supplemental agreement which authorizes annual fireworks display on the U.S. West Breakwater located at the Big Bay Federal Navigation Project, Michigan (Department of Army License No. DACW35-3-95-3007). Please provide the cost for a 5-year renewal and we will submit payment along with the signed supplemental agreement.

Thank you,

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