

Attention: Mayor Pauline Rochefort

Community Response MacPherson Drive  
Industrial Zoning

1. We do not agree with changing the zoning bylaw from agricultural to industrial. The road is already heavily travelled and will only become busier with the land claim settlement. We already are experiencing much heavier traffic with a boat launch and park located at the end of MacPherson Drive.
2. An application for a three year temporary trial is only a means of "getting a foot in the door" for future expansion. The majority of residents, including ourselves, do not want industrial development to occur at this site due to a particularly dangerous curve. No industrial wanted in this neighborhood means just that.
3. According to a previous report, several employees would be involved and add additional vehicles to an already congested area.
4. Noise factors will come into play, especially during summer months when the doors of this building will be wide open. (Even so when walking past the building last week, we could hear pounding and banging on what sounded like barrels of some sort, as well as drilling. It was loud even though it was contained inside.) This building is constructed of metal which compounds the production of sound at its best. I cannot imagine having to live on any of the properties closely, namely Sylvie and Bill, as well as Debbie and Brian Callahan directly across the road. What a waste of "peaceful" country living which both these parties have enjoyed up until this proposal. Not only will it diminish the value of their properties but it would prove to be a huge aggravation. In my mind, it is very selfish on behalf of the persons proposing this change, to alter the lifestyle of nearby residents for their own benefit!

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- 5. McPherson Drive residents are very active people.  
Many people walk the road daily as a form of recreation and exercise.  
Many people walk their dogs on a daily basis.  
Many people are cyclists.  
Many people are joggers.  
Many people walk the road as a family outing.

Will the Mayor and Council members, please hear our plea, that the location of this proposal is such that transport trucks and, for that matter, any number of parked vehicles at this site is a definite safety issue. Someone could easily lose their life. That location for a proposed business purpose is a danger to all, and "an accident waiting for a place to happen" and should NOT be allowed.

- 6. From an ecological standpoint, we wish to preserve the safety of our birds and wildlife as much as possible. This is country property. Please keep it "peaceful" and "protected".

Respectfully,  
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