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Subject: Re development on old St Victoria school site

Count us in, as we are opposed to the development of all these multi units of townhouses and apts. I am not opposed to development so long as it blends in with the neighbourhood. This certainly does NOT. Keep it single family homes.

Furthermore, this town council has a supposed master plan for the sewer infrastructure, which I have seen. It states all of the upgrades etc. It is supposed to take a number of years for it to be completed. How about doing it now, as we keep getting flooding issues etc. Here is a smart idea, how about fix the sewers before you add any more waste water and drainage from our roads to our overburdened sewer systems. Lacasse Blvd floods every time that we get a decent to heavy rainfall plus we have the chance every time of that water backing up into our basements and onto our lawns. People drive down Lacasse when the road is flooded, so they drive on the sidewalks. Really safe thing to do, so they don't have to drive through the water. Waiting until someone gets hurt. Due your due diligence. Check with Tecumseh PUC, they are out here all of the time because of the flooding. I guess they don't have other things to take care of??? Here is an idea, How about all of council make it down to Lacasse next time it floods, for a couple of hours and watch what we experience on a regular basis. Any Takers?? Didn't think so. Many insurance companies don't want to quote on homes for coverage because of the flood issues here, plus also being in a flood plain. Why add more issues with under sized sewers? Our roads never flooded before, those that have been here long enough know that. Lacasse started to flood when you tied in the Little River Blvd sewers to the Lacasse system, overburdening it. You (Town council) gave yourselves a nicely remodelled and enlarged Town Hall. Great for you. How about spending some money on badly needed infrastructure now, not later. It is just like the water line down Lacasse that the inside of the cast iron pipes were coated with some sort of plastic to help stop decay and all of the rusty water we were experiencing. It was supposed to be for 5 years, as the letter described sent out by the town, that was distributed to the residents. A temporary fix, a bandaid solution. Well that 5 years has come and gone long ago, more than doubled in time, along with the extra cost to replace those aged water mains. These sewers, according to the master plan, are going to be like the water mains. Promises always, all talk, but no action.

I would be willing to bet that not one of Tecumseh Town councillors have road flooding down their street that they live on, like we do. Now you want to add many more units for housing to add to more issues with our old, old infrastructure. I get you want to add more homes which equals more tax revenues, but fix the necessary parts first. What is

so wrong with green space to help absorb some of the water runoff? Town purchased the golf course for both green space and water runoff. Guess this isn't in your wheelhouse. This is like, Town council is remodelling a home with all of the nice things, (more homes, plenty of units) with hardwood floors and new paint and new furniture etc, BUT the house roof (sewers are undersized) leaks to damage these nice new things you just put in. Makes zero sense. Fix what is broken first before you start anything more or new. Common sense.

In the end, this is probably just a waste of my time, as well as everyone else's who oppose this, knows council will do what they please. How about standing up for the right things, which is the existing citizen taxpayers, and not bending to a developer's wants and wishes. Do the right thing and keep it with single family homes not multi unit housing. Make a whole subdivision of multi units on a tract of land somewhere in Tecumseh, like many cities do if you wish. Don't jamb it into existing neighbourhoods.

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