

June 7, 2010

Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners
Grand Traverse County
400 Boardman Ave.
Traverse City, MI. 49684

Ref; **Misrepresentation by Grand Traverse County Administration**

We believe that Dennis Aloia has either been negligent or has misled the Grand Traverse County Commissioners in regard to our letter dated April 30, 2010. Evidence for this accusation is contained in the minutes of the ways and means committee meeting dated May 19, 2010 wherein under Paragraph 7 D.1. the following statement is recorded;

“George Champlin, Department of Public Works indicated that he had written a response to Mr. Charles Peterson and had answered the questions Mr. Peterson had asked in his correspondence dated April 30, 2010.”

The deception is as follows;

- No written communication has ever been received by Peterson Machinery Sales or myself from George Champlin, nor did we ask any questions in our letter.
- Dennis Aloia's letter dated May 28, 2010 to our firm states **“Upon receipt of your response, I took the issue back to the County Board of Commissioners where they unanimously voted to insist that the equipment be removed from the dams.”**
- There is no “unanimous” vote recorded in the minutes of either the Ways and Means Committee Meeting of May 19, 2010 or the May 26, 2010 Commission Meeting or in the consent calendar. In fact, the meeting video clearly confirms that **NO VOTE WAS TAKEN.**

WE HEREBY REQUEST AN EXPLANATION OF THIS DECEPTION AND MISREPRESENTATION TO OUR FIRM.

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Our firm is not only ready, able and willing to perform the removal process, and will begin upon affirmation by the commissioners that they are fully aware that removal of the safety equipment will expose the community to risk of loss to life and property.

Sincerely,

Charles R. Peterson
Peterson Machinery Sales

Encl; Notice of Increased Risk of Loss to Life and Property.
CC; Richard F. Thomas
Larry C. Inman
Bruce Hooper
Beth Friend
Michael Stepka
Ross Ricardson
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Larry Fleis
Addison Wheelock, Jr.