July 19, 2016

Clare Municipal Council

Subject Point Road, Belliveau Cove

One of the items on the agenda, closed session, for this evening is Point Road. This letter is addressed to all councilors in the hope that some movement can be made to achieve some measure of reasonable expectation of services for Point Rd.

First off, whenever our Road is discussed the first thing that is mentioned is, oh its a private road, so does that mean. Fire Protection will not respond to a 911 call? Both services, we pay for.

When we first moved to Point Road everything was fine Major Enterprises did the snow removal, made small repairs, then one day we received a letter saying it was no longer Major Enterprises responsibility, it was on us the lot owners. When I spoke to one councilor blame was put on the contractor, its good the municipality has someone to blame. Major Enterprises has closed their doors so where do we go as homeowners and lot owners. I also mentioned how only 6 out of 7 houses pay for snow removal and any other expenses, I was told talk to your Road Association, but if someone does not want to pay there portion what do we do, bring them to court? Bylaws are good, enforcing them can be a problem, in this case.

Wednesday July 14th we had a discussion with Mr. Cyr and Mr. Doucet, various topics were discussed. One was road width that the engineers had a problem with, you know we have had dump trucks, fuel trucks, flat bed trucks, trucks towing graders without any problems, why is it that now the road is too narrow? Seven houses have been build on this road, somehow supplies got thru.

Please believe when 1 say 1 understand the situation that the municipality is in, you don't want to cut too many corners before you decide what to do. Whatever decision made here impacts future choices for roads such as Point Road. The estimates submitted were beyond any ones idea of what it would cost. What about cost sharing with the department of highways for ditching, brush cutting, snow removal, at least garbage pickup at our driveway?

No one forced Raynald and I to build on this road, but now that we have its home, the only home we have known. When we visit family in other provinces, and when asked were do you call home its always the same La Pointe a Major. The longer it takes settle this matter, the more costly it will be.

Thank you for your time and the efforts that have been made thus far.

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