

The McKownville Improvement Association

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Mr. Carl Walters, Supervisor
Town of Guilderland
Town Hall
McCormack's Corners
Guilderland, New York 12084

Dear Mr. Walters:

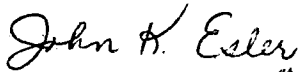
I wish to thank you for giving us the opportunity to discuss the status of the McKownville Reservoir at our meeting of January 2. As you know, we share your concern regarding the loss of Harrington's Pond and the subsequent siltration of the downstream reservoir system. At this time, we would like to emphasize the necessity of restoring both the Pond and the reservoir system to their original condition.

Inasmuch as the Pond was an integral part of our water system and also a source of recreation and enjoyment for many of our residents, it's importance should not be underestimated. While I understand that the present owner does not share our enthusiasm in this regard, I would like to repeat that we do support you in your efforts to bring about its restoration.

With regard to the lower reservoir, it is imperative that the task of removing the silt be done as soon as possible. The most practical way to affect this would be to contract now for this work, using this cost as the value of the damage incurred, rather than waiting the pleasure of the owner of Harrington's Pond and his insurance carrier. As we all know, this could take several years which need not be sacrificed.

Again, I would hope that you make every possible effort to restore these ponds and take the necessary steps to prevent any similar re-occurrences in the future. If it would be of benefit, we would be pleased to meet with you again, or with the Town Board, to discuss this subject and to help with any decision-making to move this work to its completion.

Yours truly,



John K. Esler
President

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