Mayor and Council
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Mayor & Council,

After reviewing the council package and listening to the audio recording of the March 28, 2019 Regular Council meeting, it has come to our attention that there has been a new funding stream announced, The Rural and Northern Communities Funding Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. At the meeting council passed a resolution to apply to the program for 5 million dollars to go towards the lake Temagami access.

We, full time residents of Fox Run in Temagami, are asking Council to reconsider the motion and amend it to apply for Fox Run and Stevens Road.

Some of the reasons why we are asking for council to change their decision include the following:

- Purely from a safety point of view for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, the condition of the road must be addressed. The road has dangerous sharp bends, poor site lines, and narrow steep corners. Every winter there are numerous tracks of vehicles going off the road around the same corner. Many residents from town and Fox Run use the road as an exercise route, walking, running and biking. Having an allowance for pedestrian and bike traffic would keep these people safer.
- Fox Run also supports increased recreational vehicle traffic with the improvements to the boat launch and new docks. This area is used for access by cottage owners on the two lakes and an increase of day use nature enthusiasts looking to enjoy Cassels and Rabbit lakes and the new facilities. The OFSC snowmobile trail now follows Fox Run to access Cassels lake from Net Creek Road with hundreds of machines using it seasonally.
- The road surface has deteriorated considerably from numerous construction vehicles and heavy trucks supporting the increased new development that continues on Fox Run. Every year new homes are being built in this development.
- The proposed wellness center will potentially add again to the ongoing usage of the road.
- Fox Run was built to access the subdivision and is owned by the town.

From what we understand, the applicant for funding needs to have a whole stretch completed and not just certain sections, and the project funding would be enough to finish this roadway.
We would complete a project, make it safer for pedestrian and vehicular traffic, support future growth and development, and reduce ongoing maintenance costs.

Although the Lake Temagami Access road is an important project and many Lake access residents/visitors use it, if it is not a joint project and approved for 10 million dollars, only a small portion of the road would be improved.

It is not our intent to state that one road is more important than another, because that is in the eye of the user. We would simply like council to consider the points that we are raising and have you reconsider the decision.

Thank you in advance for considering this letter at the April 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

John & Diane Panodillo