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Planning & Development Officer, County of St. Paul No. 19 5015-49th Ave

St. Paul, AB ToA 3A4

Re: Permit Request to Widen MR for access to Floating Stone Lake from Grimes Court, lot 87 along the MR at the back of lot 88.

To Whom It May Concern,

My husband and I own a property on Floating Stone Lake: Grimes Court, lot 87. I'm writing to you on behalf of my husband and myself, to request a permit to remove more trees and even out the ground surface by adding gravel from the back of our lot and behind lot 88. This would allow for better access to the lake for my husband, myself and for visiting friends and family.

Our understanding from 3 years ago, when the land was sold in front of us, for development. The County created the MR for the cabin owners of Grimes Court from lots 84-88, along this newly created subdivision, to have access to the lake: of approximately 9 feet between lot lines. There exists a trail from the back of our lot and lot 88 to the lake, in part created by the adjoining land owners of lot 9, in front of us, when they built their fence and lot 88-to keep their previous access (from lot 88), down to the lake. Initially we maintained a small walking trail from our lot, along the back of lot 88, which joins the MR path down to the lake. But this small trail has become cumbersome. And while the owners of lot 9 and lot 88 have done some upgrades to the MR access off of the back of lots 9 and 88. The owners of lot 88 have been combative to our right to access the lake on this MR and neither lot 9 nor lot 88 took us up on our offer to pay for the gravel they put down along the MR that leads down to the lake. (We think it's because they didn't want to recognize our right to this access). We would like the same access to the lake from our lot, to this adjoining graveled (MR) access.

My husband and I have owned the lot for 15+ years and have enjoyed the lake often, sometimes through the seasons. We created a natural beach for a boat lift and a dock and we have recently purchased a 10 foot kayak. But we are now having trouble getting up and down the hill on foot and have found it very difficult to maneuver our kayak around some of the trees and the narrow path without potentially going onto lot 88's land because unfortunately not only are there trees in the way, but our neighbors also have their trailer butting onto the trail. While numerous requests were tried, to have our neighbors move their trailer forward without success (We have lodged a complaint with the County and we realize this is a separate issue) My husband and I feel that having a permit would allow for less tension between neighbors, as a permit would define and legitimize this access.

We would like the fees waved for the permit, in part because of the years paying taxes but also in part because the trail and some improvements by our neighbors already exists.

Thank-you for your time regarding this matter, we look forward to hearing from you on how to move forward. I have attached what I thought might be helpful. You may call with further questions to the number provided.

Regards,

Darrell and Debbie Christenson