

Agenda Item

63 Cowichan Lake Rd - The first stopping point for all vehicles entering our town and the first impression that visitors are greeted with in Lake Cowichan.

It has been over two years since this council deemed 63 Cowichan Lake Rd a nuisance property due to its appearance and reports from our building inspector and fire chief.

Council and staff continue to buy-in to plans that Mr Hallat makes but year after year we see action at this building in May and June but then all work stops and it sits for another 12 months.

This is a similar situation to the gas station in James Bay, which is now making headlines. An owner that has no plans to finish the project but will just do enough to keep town staff happy that they are completing something.

I am now of the opinion that my fellow council members and town staff are not interested in this property being cleaned up nor completed so I am going to request for the minimum.

This property is a risk to the community, with numerous tools left outside, kitchen equipment strewn throughout the property and many other hazards for our youth and residents who struggle with mobility and want to take a short cut through this wasteland.

I am asking that the town request the owner to install construction fencing around the entirety of the property to protect the public from whatever latest hazards that are created.

Thank you

Aaron Frisby