

Date: Tue, Nov 21, 2023 at 9:29 PM

Subject: Re: Save The Chickens



To: Christy Seguin [REDACTED]

On Tue, Nov 21, 2023, 4:33 p.m. Christy Seguin [REDACTED] wrote:
To whom it may concern,

My name is Christy Seguin, myself, my husband as well as my parents live next-door to Mike and Julianna. I am shocked to hear that there is an issue with the chickens / chicken coop, we never know that there there, we don't hear them we don't smell them and mine and my husbands, my parents and my youngest sons bedroom windows all face the chicken coop and we haven't had any issues at all, we definitely hope they get to keep their chickens, I don't see how they interfere with our neighborhood.

Christy Seguin
[REDACTED]



Mike and Jul Ellis [REDACTED]

Chicken Coop

KEVIN SKELLEY [REDACTED]

Sun, Nov 26 at 1:47 PM

To: [REDACTED]

As neighbours of Mike Ellis and Julianna Rose (we live at [REDACTED] we just wanted to weigh in on the discussion about their newly built chicken coop. The coop itself is very well built and we do not find the noise or smell bothersome at all. To be honest, you would not know they had chickens other than the occasional chicken noises, which are very common in our neighborhood (there are several other neighbours with chickens). As far as the health and welfare of the chickens (and we do have some experience in this area) they appear to be healthy and very well cared for (although we have not done any hands on examinations). We hope that the chickens and their coop can stay as we actually enjoy hearing them.

Dr Kevin Skelley DVM (staff veterinarian BCSPCA)

Dr Nola Steininger BSA (Poultry Science major), DVM (retired)

From: Laurie Smith [REDACTED]
Date: Mon, Nov 20, 2023 at 8:38 PM
Subject: Letter of support
To: [REDACTED]

To Whomever It May Concern,

I am writing in support of Jules Rose, Mike Ellis and their chickens.

I live one property over from Jules and Mike's home. From my yard I have a clear, unobstructed view of their chicken coop and chickens. I have never heard any noise from the chickens. What I have observed from a distance is [REDACTED] playing and laughing with the chickens. As someone who was fortunate enough to grow up on a dairy farm with all the animals, I love to see that [REDACTED] is lucky enough to experience having small farm animals.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I'm
sure there are several dogs in the neighborhood that make more noise than the chickens.

Having these chickens removed is completely unnecessary. I'm disappointed to hear that the rdos is still considering any complaints [REDACTED] towards any neighbours, but especially Mike and Jules.

Sincerely,
Laurie Smith

[REDACTED]

November 23, 2023

To Whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in support of Mike Ellis [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

I live on the south end of Westbench drive, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

We all have to live in harmony with each other and we are all trying our best to make the Westbench a great place to live, but when you have individuals with an agenda of disrupting as many people as possible, it makes it hard to be pleasant.

I would recommend bylaw spend less time dealing with [REDACTED] complaints and more time dealing with the homeless camps up here. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The RDOS needs to determine [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] or if the complaint actually has merit.

Thank-you

Michelle Swetlikoe

To whom it may concern,

I am a direct neighbor of the person who has submitted this application for a variance permit. I have no problem with this application. There is a total of 13 chickens present in this coop. I hear them when I am outside and I enjoy them. To be honest the process and energy for this permit seems almost like a waste of employees time. What about the birds, coyotes , dogs and others who are around our area who may make noise as well. It's a very small number of livestock that this family enjoys and takes care of.

I live on vedette drive and live by a commercial bakery and my new neighbor basically has a construction company out of his yard. We are subjected to constant noise, more traffic, customers parking on the street , excavators and equipment working and when I have enquired about this I was met with not much of a solution and it carries on so really this whole process for 13 chickens is really not necessary in my mind.

I support their chicken coop.

Sharlene ONeill

To whom it may concern:

We are very concerned that this chicken shed has been allowed to remain for nearly 2 years. It was constructed on the shared property line with our home [REDACTED] and is only about 24 meters from our home. The chicken shed was built but not finished on our side as it is only covered in construction wrap. It is much higher than the cedar fence we installed to try and increase our privacy so is unsightly not to mention noisy. We have, from the beginning, tried to communicate with our neighbor that he would not meet the bylaws for our area, however we were rebuffed on several occasions. These bylaws and rules that have been put in place for all our good should be enforced.

I have enclosed a letter posted by the property owners on line to attempt to garner community support.

" Hi Neighbours!

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If you are willing, we kindly ask if you could submit a letter of support to the RDOS. Your support would make a big difference as we move forward with the application process. In the comments I will include a template with all the necessary info or feel free to forward to me directly. If you would like to add a few personal notes or experiences, by all means.

Letters can be sent to

planning@rdos.bc.ca

Subject line:

RE: Support for F2025 002-DVP

Thank-you Westbench for helping save our chickens! 🐔🐔🐔

[REDACTED] take note that I have circled where our coop is located in the aerial shot)"

In considering the above please consider Lena and I as opposed to the Variance as requested.

Thank you for your understanding
Edward and Lena Freek,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

RDOS PENTICTON BC Area F

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to let you know about my support for the development variance permit application submitted by my neighbours, Michael Ellis and Julianna Rose-Ellis, regarding the location of their chicken coop at 601 Valiant Drive. I understand that this application would like to keep the chicken coop where it is currently situated.

As a resident of this neighbourhood, I can confirm that the chicken coop does not impact my daily life or the use of the surrounding properties in any negative way. The coop is well-maintained, and any noise or odour associated with it is minimal and not disruptive to the neighbourhood. Additionally, allowing the chicken coop to remain in its current location would not alter the character or quality of our neighbourhood in any way.

I fully support this application and believe it is in the best interest of the community to allow Michael Ellis and Julianna Rose-Ellis to continue keeping their chickens where they are. Please consider granting the variance permit to continue this arrangement.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further information. I can be reached at the phone number or email address above.

Sincerely,

Irene Hill

Ryann McKinnon



06 February 2025

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Sincerely,

Ryann McKinnon

Sent from my iPhone

Hi

Not sure if I'm too late but I live near Julianna Rose-Ellis and I fully support her ability to have chickens and a variance. This is sustainable food access and more Importance than a few feet setback.

Thanks

Dawna Erland

Please note that we are in favour of the RDOS accepting the Variance Permit.

Thank you---Patricia & Arthur Clements, [REDACTED] Penticton, [REDACTED]

Corrie Topolnisky



Feb 11, 2025

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Sincerely,

C Topolnisky

RDOS

101 Martin St.
Penticton, BC V2A 5J9

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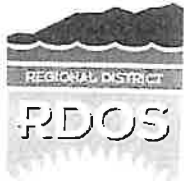
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I have spoken to my neighbors
and they agree. [REDACTED] Mike Ellis and his chicken
coop. These do not bother us or anyone we have spoken to about it.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at my office, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
Vic Kampe

[REDACTED]
Penticton, BC



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Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

101 Martin Street, Penticton, BC, V2A-5J9

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MAY 20 2025

101 Martin Street
Penticton BC V2A 5J9

TO: Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

FILE NO.: F2025.002-DVP

FROM: Name:

EDWARDA C. FREEK

(please print)

Street Address:

RE: Development Variance Permit (DVP) Application
601 Valiant Drive, Electoral Area "F"

My comments / concerns are:

I do support the proposed variances at 601 Valiant Drive.



I do not support the proposed variances at 601 Valiant Drive.

MAY 14, 2025

Please provide any comments you wish the Board to consider:

FURTHER TO MY PREVIOUS NOTES -

- THE CEDAR FENCE - REFERRED TO ON THE PROPERTY
SURVEY MAP, IS A PRIVACY SCREEN INSTALLED TO PROTECT US
(SENIORS) FROM [REDACTED] RESIDENTS OF 601 VALIANT DR.

THIS PRIVACY SCREEN IS WELL INSIDE THE CHAIN LINK FENCE ON
THE PROPERTY LINE

- I WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE THAT RDOS WAS INFORMED ABOUT
THIS NON CONFORMING CHICKEN PEN, WELL BEFORE CONSTRUCTION.
MR. PILLIS WAS ALSO INFORMED THAT THE COOP IS TOO CLOSE TO
THE PROPERTY LINE, HAD THE BEEN ADDRESSED AT THE TIME,
THE VARIANCE WOULD HAVE NOT BEEN NECESSARY.

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Note MAY 14 25

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LENA FREEK

(please print)

Street Address:

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THIS IS THE PROBLEM:

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- COOP IS A DAILY EYESORE, WITH OUR COMINGS + GOINGS
- COOP AFFECTS THE RESALE VALUE OF OUR PROPERTY.
- COOP IMPACTS THE DAILY ENJOYMENT OF OUR PROPERTY, WE HAVE RESIDED ON 31 YEARS.

- PLAN:
- MOVE COOP TO APPROPRIATE PLACE ON 601 THAT R/T THE OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN + BYLAWS FOR AREA F.
 - ENFORCE RDOS BYLAWS AS ESTABLISHED FOR AREA F.

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N.B. WE VOICED OUR CONCERNS WITH RDOS R/T 601 BEFORE THE COOP WAS BUILT. IF THE BYLAWS + O.C.P. WERE AND ARE TO BE FOLLOWED, OUR CONTRACTOR NEIGHBOUR WOULD NOT BE SEEKING THIS VARIANCE.

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* SEE PHOTO ATTACHMENTS

2) WESTBENCH FORUM

3) ENVELOPE ADDRESS FORM
4) STREET MAP 601/605

(over)

NOTE:

THIS COOP IS ELEVATED ON CEMENT BLOCKS, FIVE TO SIX FEET ~ ABOVE THE SURROUNDING AREA.... SO IS HIGHER THAN OUR SIX FOOT CEDAR PRIVACY PANELS.

601 IS ON THE EDGE OF A RAVINE AND AQUAFIR THAT FLOWS INTO MARIPOSA PARK. ALL PROPERTIES ON VALIANT, BETWEEN BARTLET AND 601, SLOPE GENTLY DOWN HILL, JUST AS VALIANT DRIVE DOES. 601 IS NATURALLY LOWER THAN 605. WHY IS THIS COOP SO HIGH?

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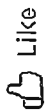
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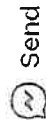
Anonymous member · 22h ·

Trying to sleuth through the RDOS website and having a hard time finding which animals are considered "small livestock". The only thing I can find is "poultry, rabbit, or other small animals similar in size and weight but does not include farmed fur bearing animals".

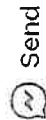
Any insights on where I can find an actual list?



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Juliana Rose-Ellis

It's extremely hard to navigate.. No advice, just solidarity.

22h Like Reply



Anonymous member

Author

Juliana Rose-Ellis you'd think there would be a set list... I'd hate to get an animal that I would consider a small livestock and then get told I have to get rid of them...

9h Like Reply

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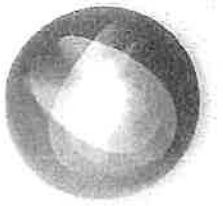
Andrea Kinnin

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Juliana Rose-Ellis I remember someone telling me years ago that 'two hoofed' animals were not allowed. I.e. cows, goats, sheep.



Write a comment...



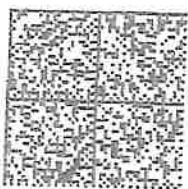
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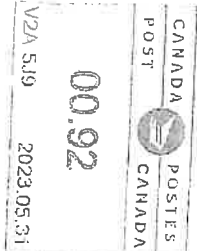


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Ted and Lena Freak

Penticton, BC V2A 8Y1

* Note Whang Maling

Address - Further Delaying c/o Chicken Coop

- Building Permit
Remained Pending

* Put In Whang Mail Slot

1) Phone Call to

Heather Kisee
To Correct

2) Ted + Lena Freek Reside

3) AT THIS TIME OF COMPLAINT THERE

WAS NO COOP UNDER CONSTRUCTION

THIS LETTER REMAINED
IN MAIL BOX 4 DAYS ~ 3 WKS

SAME (JUNE
2023)

May 30, 2023

RDOS File: F0346.010

Ted and Lena Freck

[REDACTED]
Penticton, BC V2A 8Y1

Dear Ted and Lena:

Re: 601 Valiant, Penticton V2A 8Y1 – Contraction Company Operating on this Property

By way of this letter, please accept this as acknowledgment that your complaint has been received and will be reviewed. Once a File Manager has been assigned, you may be contacted for additional information.

We advise that, although we make every effort to keep the identity of the complainant confidential, complainants may be requested to sign an affidavit and/or be prepared to stand as a witness should this enforcement matter proceed to court.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me hkisbee@rdos.bc.ca or by phone 250-490-4215.

Thank you.

H. Kisbee

Heather Kisbee,
Bylaw Enforcement Clerk



[https://portal.rdos.bc.ca/departments/DevelopmentServices/BylawEnforcement/TemplateFolio/Form Letters/Complainant Acknowledgment LTR.docx](https://portal.rdos.bc.ca/departments/DevelopmentServices/BylawEnforcement/TemplateFolio/FormLetters/ComplainantAcknowledgmentLTR.docx)

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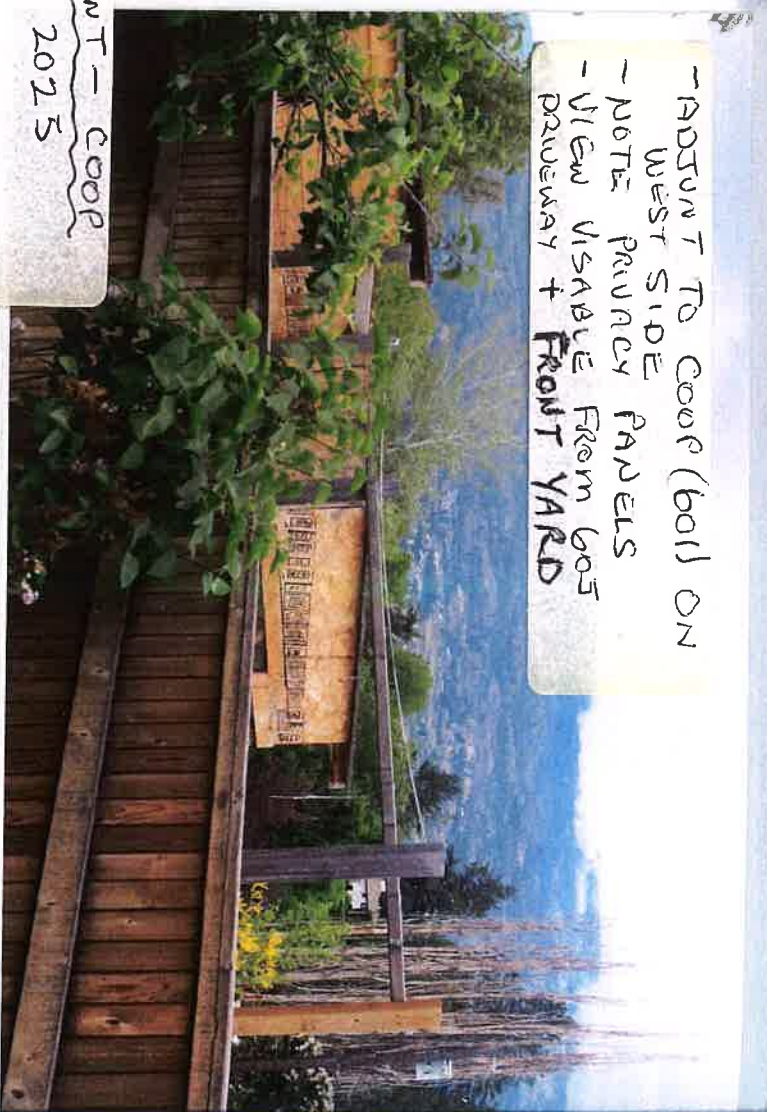
DRAFT VERSION -- 2025-01-21.

CHICKEN COOP
 3D ON 2 SIDES ONLY
 SIDES FACE LOS
 OF PRIVACY PANELS



BOI VARIANT - COOP
 DATE: MAY. 2025

- ADJUNCT TO COOP (BOI) ON
 WEST SIDE
 - NOTE PRIVACY PANELS
 - VIEW VISABLE FROM LOS
 DRIVEWAY + FRONT YARD



View From LOS Front Yd + DRIVEWAY



- PRIVACY WOOD PANEL
 ON LOS
 - NOTE CHAIN LINK PROPERTY
 LINE FENCE + FAGE WIRE
 BETHAMP
 PANEL



- NOTE HWAY BLOCKS THAT
 COOP IS ELEVATED ON
 - NOTE UNFINISHED TYVEK ON
 SIDE, PERMANENT WINDOW + ROOF

EDWARD AND LENA FREEIC

C. GARRISH, SR. MNG.
PLANNING

R.D.O.S.

101 MARTIN STREET.

PENTICTON, BC V2A 5J9

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FEB 07 2025

RE: VARIANCE F2025-002-DVP

O.C.P. - OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN

CONTRAVENTION OF ZONING BYLAWS.

101 Martin Street
Penticton BC V2A 5J9

JULIANNA ROSE-ELLIS 601 VALIANT DRIVE
HAS POSTED FEB. 06 25 ON FACEBOOK / WEST
BENCH PAGE RELATED TO DEVELOPMENT
VARIANCE APPLICATION - 601 VALIANT DRIVE
R/T CHICKENS AND STRUCTURED PERMANENT
COOP. (SEE ATTACHMENT)

Reason For Posting: 601 VALIANT IS SEEKING
WRITTEN LETTERS OF SUPPORT. SHE EVEN
REQUESTS "A FEW PERSONAL NOTES OR
EXPERIENCES." THIS POSTING DOES NOT
MENTION OR OUTLINE THE HISTORY OR
INFORMATION ON ZONING CONTRAVENTION,
O.C.P., OR BYLAWS. THIS POSTING AND
THIS SORT OF BEHAVIOR, ONLY IS A
CATALYST TO DEVELOPE A ONCE LOVELY
NEIGHBOURHOOD. THIS CHICKEN COOP AND
CHICKENS DO NOT DIRECTLY IMPACT OTHERS
[REDACTED] IS CERTAINLY THE ONE
IMPACTED, SUPPORTED BY THE FOLLOWING:

- a) DETRACTS FROM OUR PROPERTY RESALE VALUE
- b) INCREASED NOISE / EARLY MORNING CUCKING
(BYLAW # 1526 #5

(2)

- e) LOCATED NEAR OUR MASTER BEDROOM WINDOW (APPOX. 24 METERS FROM OUR HOME.)
- d) INCREASED FOUL SMELLS WAFT OVER.
- e) INCREASED VARMITTS WHO FEED ON WATER AND CHICKEN FEED. WE DEALT WITH TWELVE (12) RATS / TRAPPED / DEAD ON OUR 300 FT. DRIVEWAY. WINTER 2023. PLUS WE HAVE A CAT, THAT HUNTS.
- f) CHICKEN COOP WAS BUILT IN 2023 UNDER OUR APPLE TREE. THE TREE HAS BEEN IN THAT LOCATION PRE 1988, OR SINCE WE PURCHASED. APPLE TREES ARE SPRAYED BY PEACHT CITY, FOR CODPLING MOTH PROGRAM. MIKE ELLIS C/O COMPULSORY SPRAYING DRIFT.
- g) THERE IS ZERO SETBACK FROM THE PROPERTY LINE / FENCE LINE, AS BACKS ON OUR FENCE.
- h) ZERO LIVESTOCK SETBACK PER. O.C.F.

(3)

ACTION + INFORMATION:

- MAY 20 2023 INFORMED BY EMPLOYEE OF ELLIS CONTRACTING THAT A CHICKEN COOP WAS IN PROGRESS, ON THE BORDER OF 601 - [REDACTED] PROPERTY LINE. THIS IS A PERMANENT CONSTRUCTION WITH POSTS / CEMENT / ROOF / WINDOWS.
- MAY 23 2023 WENT TO RPOS OFFICE, PENTICTON, B.C. AND SPOKE WITH HEATHER KISBEE, CLERK BUILDING AND BY LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES. WAS INFORMED THAT IT WAS EASIER TO DEAL WITH THIS NOW THAN ONCE THE BUILDING IS COMPLETE AND CHICKENS IN PLACE.

(4)

MAY. 23 2023 - WENT HOME AND COMPLETED AND THEN, SUBMITTED IN PERSON, THE COMPLAINT FORM TO RDOS. STAFF. NB-WE WERE OUT OF TOWN MAY 28-JUNE 13/23 CAME BACK TO ~~Ø~~ POSTED WORK PERMIT OR ~~Ø~~ STOP WORK ORDER, IN PLACE.

MAY. 27. 2023 - (APPROX 1300 HR) MIKE AND JULIANNA WORKING ON SAID STRUCTURE. ATTEMPTED TO SPEAK TO THEM OVER THE FENCE AND SHARE WRITTEN INFO R/T SETBACKS ETC, THAT WAS RECEIVED FROM RDOS OFFICE, HEATHER KISBEE. SAME REBUKED AND TOLD FORCEFULLY TO "GO AWAY" THEY DID INFORM, "BUILDING A GARDEN SHED".

JULY. 11. 23 CONTACTED BY RDOS BY LAW OFFICER TIM DONEGAN TO CONFIRM THE STATUS OF THE CHICKEN COOP & CHICKENS RESIDING AT 601 VALIANT. WE REQUESTED THAT THE RDOS MOVE FORWARD TO ENFORCE THEIR BYLAWS.

JULY. 29. 23. A "SURPRISE" VISIT BY RCMP OFFICER TO 605 VALIANT DR. THIS RCMP OFFICER WAS THERE TO INFORM US OF C/O HARASSMENT BY 601 VALIANT, R/T SUBMITTED COMPLAINTS TO RDOS. WE WERE ALSO INFORMED THAT 601 VALIANT ALSO PLANNED TO UTILIZE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION. WE HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF [REDACTED] VALIANT.

(5)

FOR 37 YEARS. DOES IT NOT SEEM STRANGE THAT THERE WERE ZERO COMPLAINTS FROM THE SIX PREVIOUS OWNERS? THAT WOULD BE 30 YRS. WE HAVE HAD ZERO CONTACT WITH THE CURRENT OWNERS OF 601 SINCE JULY, 29, 23. AND THE RCMP VISIT.

Outcome: WE REQUEST THAT THE RDOS MOVE FORWARD TO ENFORCE THEIR BYLAWS FOR AREA F. R/T THE OFFICAL COMMUNITY PLAN. THIS PLAN IS IN PLACE FOR A REASON. MIKE ELLIS, AS OWNER OF [REDACTED], IS AWARE AND UNDERSTANDS PROPERTY LINE SET BACKS, CORNER PINS, LIVESTOCK SETBACKS, BUILDING PERMITS, ZONING ETC. BUT HE WENT AHEAD ANYWAY.

WE ARE OPPOSED TO THE VARIANCE AS REQUESTED. SOMETHING THAT SHOULD HAVE NEVER BEEN CONSTRUCTED, NOW HAS BECOME A PROBLEM AND WE ARE THE VICTIM. ALL FEELINGS HAVE BEEN ENHANCED BY THE CURRENT RDOS SYSTEM OF "COMPLAINTS NEED TO BE PUT IN WRITING." THIS ONLY PUTS NEIGHBOURS AGAINST NEIGHBOURS. BYLAWS NEED TO BE ENFORCED BY RDOS.

Thank-you,
(Mrs) J. French.

ATTACHMENTS:

BYLAW NO. 1526, 1994

REGULATION continued

3. No person shall own, keep or harbour any animal or bird which by its cries, barks or other noises, disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of the neighbourhood, or of persons in the vicinity.
6. No person shall operate, use or allow, permit or cause to be used or operate any bulldozer, grader, backhoe, power shovel, loader, crane, pile-driver, pneumatic drill, jackhammer, concrete mixer, gravel crusher, asphalt plant, hammer or saw between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. on days other than Sundays, and between 10:00 p.m. on Saturdays and 8:00 a.m. on Sundays, as the Regional Board believes the noise created by such equipment during those hours to be objectionable.

FARMING ACTIVITIES

7. This bylaw does not apply to noise necessarily resulting from the operation of equipment required for the raising of livestock or crops on farmland within the Agricultural Land Reserve.

SEVERABILITY

8. If any section or lesser portion of this bylaw is held by a court to be invalid, that portion shall be severed from the bylaw, without affecting the validity of the remainder.

PENALTY

9. Every person who violates any provision of this bylaw commits an offence and is liable to a penalty of not more than \$2,000 and not less than \$100 for each offence, and the costs of prosecution. Each date that a violation occurs constitutes a separate offence.

REPEAL

10. The Defined Area F4 Nuisance and Disturbance Bylaw No. 843, 1985 is hereby repealed.

CITATION

11. This bylaw may be cited as the "Electoral Area 'F' Noise Regulation and Prohibition Bylaw No. 1526, 1994".

SEADACK for live stock shelters. ~50'

i) Front parcel line	15.0 metres
ii) Rear parcel line	15.0 metres
iii) Interior side parcel line	15.0 metres
iv) Exterior side parcel line	15.0 metres

d) Despite Section 15.5.5(a) and (b), incinerator or composting operation:

i) Front parcel line	30.0 metres
ii) Rear parcel line	30.0 metres
iii) Interior side parcel line	30.0 metres
iv) Exterior side parcel line	30.0 metres

15.5.6 Maximum Height:

- a) No building or structure shall exceed a height of 10.0 metres;
- b) No accessory building or structure shall exceed a height of 4.5 metres. ~~4~~ 183

15.5.7 Maximum Parcel Coverage:

- a) 30%

15.5.8 Minimum Building Width:

- a) Principal Dwelling Unit: 5.0 metres, as originally designed and constructed.

15.5.9 Small Holdings West Bench Site Specific (SH5s) Regulations:

- a) in the case of land shown described as Lot 146, Plan KAP8166, District Lot 5076, ODYD, Except Plan 21461 KAP64111, except part north of Lot 1 & E of road all on Plan 21461 (1400 Spartan Drive) and shown shaded yellow on Figure 15.5.9(a), the following provisions shall apply:
 - i) the following principal use shall be permitted on the land in addition to the permitted uses listed in Section 15.5.1:
 - .1 alcohol production facility;
 - ii) the maximum floor area of a alcohol production facility shall not exceed 55.0 m².

Hi Neighbours!

If you live on or near Valiant drive you may have received a development variance application notification from the RDOS regarding our property. I just wanted to take a moment and inform everyone on what it's all about because "Livestock shelter" is a bit vague.

We have a chicken coop in our backyard and our family adores our 13 little hens and are so grateful for the eggs they produce! The RDOS was made aware of our coop and unfortunately its location is not within the bylaws. We have submitted a Development Variance Application to the RDOS to keep the coop (and preferably in the same spot it is currently).

We're grateful to those who have already shown their support by submitting positive letters to the RDOS. So far, we have received over a dozen, we are now reaching out to any neighbors who have not yet had the chance to express their support. We were truly hoping that it wouldn't get to the point that all of this is necessary as the costs and stress associated with this fight have been significant. So much for saving a few bucks on grocery store eggs by getting chickens ha ha!

If you are willing, we kindly ask if you could submit a letter of support to the RDOS. Your support would make a big difference as we move forward with the application process. In the comments I will include a template with all the necessary info or feel free to forward to me directly. If you would like to add a few personal notes or experiences, by all means.

Letters can be sent to

planning@rdos.bc.ca

Subject line:

RE: Support for F2025 002-DVP

Thank-you Westbench for helping save our chickens! 🐔 🐔 🐔

(I have attached photos showing our girls but also take note that I have circled where our coop is located in the aerial shot)

WEST BENCH SITE →
* FACEBOOK POSTING FEB. 06. 2025
BY JULIANNA ROSE- ELLIS
601 VALIANT DRIVE
PENTICTON, B.C.

