

## OSSIPEE LAKE ALLIANCE

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June 27, 2016

Mr. George Ferdette Mr. Daniel Flores SFC Engineering 1 Industrial Drive Windham, NH 03087

Re: Westward Shores Campground

Dear Mr. Ferdette and Mr. Flores:

Green Mountain Conservation Group shared your June 17 email to them, which included the Westward Shores Campground discussion document that SFC presented to the Ossipee ZBA on March 8.

The lead item of that document states that Ossipee Lake Alliance has "endorsed" the campground expansion plan, pointing to a letter from Bob Reynolds on Alliance letterhead as the source of the endorsement. The Reynolds letter was also included in the package sent to GMCG.

As you know, the Alliance did not know about the letter until a reporter asked us about it two months after it was submitted to Ossipee officials. After we obtained the Reynolds letter from town officials we sent the ZBA and Planning Board the attached letter making it clear that the Alliance was never asked to comment on the merits of your client's plans and we have never done so. Our organization did not authorize Mr. Reynolds to speak on its behalf.

The continued distribution of the Reynolds letter and the meeting document stating that we have "endorsed" the expansion project serves no useful purpose and, in fact, is likely to create further misunderstandings in an already complicated situation in which town officials and the public are looking for facts.

We respectfully ask that you stop circulating both documents. We will appreciate your assurance that you understand our position and share the goal of preventing the continued spread of the misinformation that has been caused by these documents.

Regards,

David Smith Susan Marks

**Executive Co-Directors** 

cc: Nicole Csiszer



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May 18, 2016

Mr. Stanley Brothers, Chairman Zoning Board of Adjustment Mr. Chester Kwiatowski, Chairman Planning Board Town of Ossipee Ossipee, NH 03814

Re:

ZBA Case #16-1-SE

Planning Board Case #16-1-SPR

## Dear Chairmen:

I present this letter to both the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Planning Board on behalf of, and with the full authorization of, the Ossipee Lake Alliance.

Our organization only recently found out that Bob Reynolds prepared a letter of recommendation to the Zoning Board of Adjustment ("ZBA") for the expansion of the Westward Shores Campground and Marina in the above-referenced ZBA case, which George Ferdette of SFC Engineering Partnership submitted on March 8, 2016. We obtained a copy of Mr. Reynolds' letter from the Town on May 11 and, for the first time, learned that Mr. Reynolds wrote his letter on Ossipee Lake Alliance letterhead and signed it as a Director of our organization. We also reviewed the March 8, 2016 ZBA minutes that note the Board's questions and concerns regarding Mr. Reynolds' March 7, 2016 letter.

Please be advised that the Board of Directors of the Ossipee Lake Alliance did not authorize Mr. Reynolds to prepare or submit a letter on its behalf. His letter does not represent the opinions or views of the Ossipee Lake Alliance, but only Mr. Reynolds' opinion as an individual.

In addition, a March 14, 2016 letter to the Planning Board from Daniel Flores of SFC Engineering Partnership states that his firm has "worked with" Ossipee Lake Alliance "to develop the expansion in such a way to protect the environmentally sensitive areas around the site."

Please be further advised that no authorized Ossipee Lake Alliance agents or representatives have met with or spoken to Mr. Flores, or anyone else from SFC Engineering Partnership, to discuss their client's expansion plan or any other matter.

We ask that you make our comments herein a matter of public record at the next meeting of your respective boards.

Sincerely,

David Smith
Executive Director

cc: Alliance Board