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Comment:

John Kellogg: He sits on the board as a CHAIR for the Planning and Zoning Committee. He is also the Principal Planner for Professional Consultants Incorp. The company that is overseeing the subdivisions building submittals.

This conflict of interest is in direct conflict with the below stated Montana Code...

Montana Code Annotated 2019

TITLE 2. GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE AND ADMINISTRATION

CHAPTER 2. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Part 1. Code of Ethics

Ethical Requirements For Public Officers And Public Employees

2-2-105. Ethical requirements for public officers and public employees. (1) The requirements in this section are intended as rules of conduct, and violations constitute a breach of the public trust and public duty of office or employment in state or local government.

(2) Except as provided in subsection (4), a public officer or public employee may not acquire an interest in any business or undertaking that the officer or employee has reason to believe may be directly and substantially affected to its economic benefit by official action to be taken by the officer's or employee's agency.

(3) A public officer or public employee may not, within 12 months following the voluntary termination of office or employment, obtain employment in which the officer or employee will take direct advantage, unavailable to others, of matters with which the officer or employee was directly involved during a term of office or during employment. These matters are rules, other than rules of general application, that the officer or employee actively helped to formulate and applications, claims, or contested cases in the consideration of which the officer or employee was an active participant.

(4) When a public employee who is a member of a quasi-judicial board or commission or of a board, commission, or committee with rulemaking authority is required to take official action on a matter as to which the public employee has a conflict created by a personal or private interest that would directly give rise to an appearance of impropriety as to the public employee's influence,

benefit, or detriment in regard to the matter, the public employee shall disclose the interest creating the conflict prior to participating in the official action.

(5) A public officer or public employee may not perform an official act directly and substantially affecting a business or other undertaking to its economic detriment when the officer or employee has a substantial personal interest in a competing firm or undertaking.

John Kellogg stands to gain a substantial amount of money from the approval of this subdivision. He should have no say in any part of the of the zoning meetings or voting. And should not have from the beginning. The town of Stevensville has had a long history of having a reputation of being unethical and corrupt. Actions like this only solidify those assumptions.

Additionally, adding an additional 164 families to only 57 acers is just greedy. And that's if the multi family homes are only duplexes and not apartments.

Adding light commercial will add to the congestion and pollution of the creeks and waterways. Once zoned that, what's to stop strip malls from going in there. My family has lived cattycorner from the current proposed estates for 40 plus years. We have seen the houses creep closer and are not against growth. But 164 families? This is unreasonable. The water pressure in the area is already low. I can only imagine what this will cause. Additionally being that pump(s) will be used on potential wells, the water table in the area can be highly impacted and a recommended hydrologist should be used to see the impact The area is already at its max with water usage and wells.

My family will have the heaviest impact to the area being converted from residential to commercial 2 zoning. Living adjacent to it will create additional traffic noise, congestion and potential crime. We ask that the plot sizes be larger lowering the number of homes and the commercial be removed. We are not being unreasonable with our requests. We ask that you not be too.