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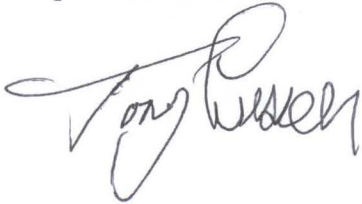
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Mitigation objection:

My property is directly on the bank of the Anclote River, a tidal river with federal tide stations. I am a few thousand feet from the open waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Storm water flows from my property to the river.

It appears that to obtain any credit I have to hire engineers at a far higher cost than credits would offset just to "prove" I am not contributing to a surface water problem. This could be easily established by a simple Google Map view or a visit by a EM employee.

I don't mind paying my fair share but am not pleased with what seems an unfair expense to prove the obvious.



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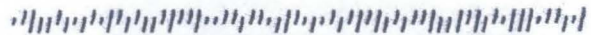
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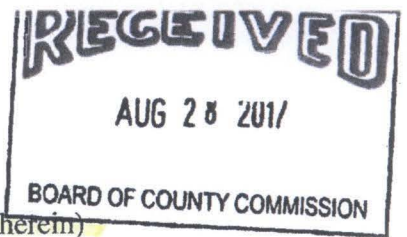
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August 25, 2017

To: **Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners** (your Board herein)

315 Court Street, 5th Floor, Clearwater, FL 33756

Copies to

c. to the Editor, The ^{Tampa Bay} St. Petersburg Times

c. to the Editor, On Top of The World News

c. to Kenneth Colen, Chairman, On Top of the World Condominium Association

c. posted on multiple On top of the World common area bulletin boards

c. mailed to multiple local television consumer protection advocates

In regard to: objections to and my contest of your **segregated-non-general, discriminatory, outrageously highly excessive rip-off \$\$\$ amount, clearly a unique specifically targeted special, non-general- segregated tax Assessment** on “certain parcels of real property in **unincorporated Pinellas County**”.

Reference: My real property Parcel Number: 06-29-16-64000-001-0640

Objection by its owner: Douglas J. Westervelt

In regard to your special “Surface Water Assessment & Fee”, a clear & plain rip-off of some few lucky residents of “**unincorporated Pinellas County**”,

I hereby serve timely notice that I wish my objections and demands to be heard, and that your Board respond to each and every one, itemized below, at your public hearing scheduled for 6 PM on 9-14-2017 at 315 Court Street, 5th Floor, in Clearwater.

My specific objections and demands are:

- 1) That your Board cite the legal authority that you have acted upon to: a) impose this, or any non-general, clearly selectively discriminatory tax assessment; and b) in particular imposition of such tax or fee on any non-consented owners of real property in “**unincorporated Pinellas County**”, a **jurisdiction over which the Board has dubious authority to begin with**; and c) demand that your Board cite any other instances, if any, wherein your Board has imposed any similar special discriminatory tax?

- 2) For your Board and the owners of property in unincorporated Pinellas County to: take note of your millage and the \$\$\$ rate of your assessment, which amount to a **conspiracy of so called “public servants” who, in effective reality, have acted merely as near \$20 million dollars rip-off thieves** in regard to this “Surface Water Management Services” fee tax, **prima-facie** evidenced by:
 - A): The in effect millage rate equivalent of 117.74 of this special money grab, told in your 2017 Truth in Millage (TRIM) notice, is by sharp contrast **22.3 x (times) greater than the next highest rate**, which is 5.2755 for **Pinellas County’s entire General Fund Services!** Moreover, whereas the millage rate of this special, in effect arrogant lawless money grab, alleged ...(to be proven)... as needed “to fund providing surface water management services”, Pinellas County’s **actual cost amount to fund this service is undisclosed** in the TRIM notice. But your TRIM notice attests this fee will raise an estimated **\$19.8 million revenue** for FY 2018, **16.79 x (times) the millage rate required by both the state of Florida and the Clearwater School district combined** to fund our **massively larger scale operations public schools; an amount that furthermore is 376 x (times) more than the millage rate needed and assessed by the Water Management District for all southwest Florida!** Prima facie: EVIL, or screws loose wrongdoing!

Accordingly, B): I demand to know the **total operating cost** Pinellas County spent providing: i) "surface water management services" in 2015 and 2016; and then too, ii) the total number of **residences pro-rata cost** for "surface water management services compared to the \$117.74 ERU (equivalent residential unit \$\$\$ amount) of this fee, per your TRIM notice, compared to whatever Pinellas County actually spent **per residential** unit in 2016 county wide to provide surface water management services; and iii) the % of the \$19.8 million revenue expected to be garnered from residents of "unincorporated Pinellas County" compared to Pinellas County's total 2016 expenditures for surface water management (which I note is not surface water infra-structure improvements, and so not claimed as justification for Pinellas County Board of Commissioners criminal, (in effect or actual), narrowly targeted Surface Water Management Services fee in the TRIM notice as basis for this tax-fee).

C): Last but not just the least, I demand correction of error by your Pinellas County Taxing Authority in the calculation of dollar amount of the assessment as this error would also wrongly & materially adversely affect thousands of property owners in unincorporated Pinellas County. The TRIM notice tells that 1 ERU = 2339 square feet of impervious area, and correctly assesses my property at 1/2 this square footage, thus correctly @ .5 units = the impervious square footage of my property unit. But this calculation is incomplete as to germane fact, and thus this calculation is therefore per se erroneous compared to the adopted intent of the ERU standard related to impervious surface area, because... my property is 1 of 3 stories tall identical dimensions condominiums stacked, each of which the Surface Water Assessment wrongly bills; whereas correctly billed, each unit would pro-rate share just 1/3 of the .5 units of 2339 "impervious" ERU square feet. Thus my assessment of \$58.87 should be corrected and reduced by 2/3s (.666 x \$58.87 = \$39.20), rendering my assessment correctly billed reduced from \$58.87 - \$39.20 = \$19.67, **an amount that will still represent 45%** (\$19.67 / \$43.70) of the tax revenue Pinellas County might still bill me for 2018 taxes **relative to the County's general all funds all other services taxes**. Perversely sick! Moreover, if your Board does not rescind or modify this dubious, wrongful and/or massively excessive non-ad valorem selective assessment, **then my petition is a) that your Board correct the 2018 wrongful incomplete dollar amount calculation, affecting thousands of property owners 100% certainly incorrectly so billed in my community alone**, that is On Top-of-The World; and b) furthermore, I hereby demand that all such owners affected by this error for 2014-2017 be refunded the amounts over-billed and over-paid owed to this error of methodology, from 2014-2017, according to the Trim notice.

I look forward to receiving your Board's replies to each and every facet of the above itemized three categories of demands and motions at your public hearing scheduled for 6PM on September 14, 2017, in the County Commission Chambers, @ 315 Court Street, 5th floor, in downtown Clearwater. Via copies of this correspondence I will endeavor to have representatives of the St. Petersburg Times, television stations consumer advocates, On Top of the World's Condominium Board, and residents of On-Top of the World attend too.

Douglas J. Westervelt

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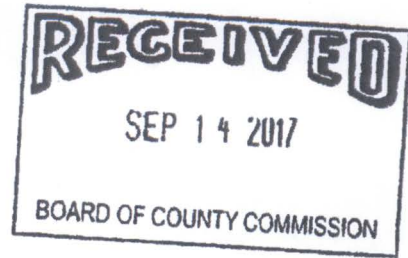
Two letters of opposition received in mail today.

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5167 Karlsburg Pl

Palm Harbor, FL 34685

September 2, 2017

Parcel # 21-27-16-47277-000-0630/Lot #63

Surface Water Assessment

Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners

315 Court Street

5th Floor

Clearwater, FL 33756

Dear Board of Commissioners:

Since I am unable to attend the meeting on the 14th of September, I would like to object to the "Water Assessment Fee", that is added to our tax statement, for \$117.74.

What type of "Surface water management" are you providing? We live in Lansbrook, off of East Lake Road, in the northern part of the county. We have 1800 homes on 2500 acres. We have many ponds within each of the 20 villages, we have 5 ponds within our Kylemont property, which all allow runoff water to drain into, and which we maintain. We also have wet lands for water to drain. We sit adjacent to Lake Tarpon, for additional drainage. There is no standing water, or problems with draining.

Within our village of 90 homes of Kylemont we are being assessed \$10,596.60. Please explain what we are receiving for this assessment? What do we do to change this "County Ordinance" # 17-11?

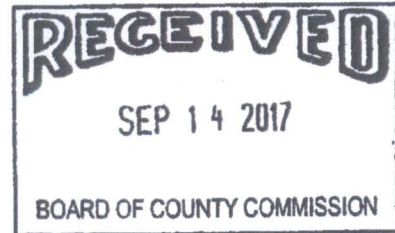
Sincerely,

Jane Swango

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Swango".

727-940-6900

September 5, 2017



Dear Commissioners:

We are objecting to the Surface Water Assessment on our recently purchased house at 2125 Malcolm Drive, Palm Harbor 34684; parcel number 31-27-16-38895-000-190, legal description Highland Lakes Unit Six, Lot 19.

Our house and garage total footprint is 1935 sq. ft. Our small driveway is individual pavers over sand. The current assessment is arbitrary and penalizes small homeowners. Every parcel should be assessed based on its impact on your system. The current system defeats the purpose of the assessment, by not fairly charging large homeowners for contributing more runoff into your system!

We are requesting a lower assessment on our property immediately. In the future, there is a relatively easy solution to your arbitrary assessment problem. All house footages are readily available on the county tax rolls. A more equitable sliding assessment actually based on square footage footprint impact on the system should be implemented.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel Sell".

Daniel Sell

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan G. Sell".

Susan G. Sell