

just a small portion of land that they're wanting to take from residential to, ah, seasonal residential. We have residential all the way around the lake except for areas that were grandfathered in when the zoning happened. So this is a residential lake. That was what it was intended to be. That's why we don't want more development than it can use because we don't, we're not looking at another Brainerd. And, we just don't want that. There should exist a clear public need - there is not a clear public need for another camp. Despite what he's saying, there is a fine Bible Camp, Camp Hiawatha, on that lake and, as far as I know, other than the hockey camp, they aren't totally full this year so there is an option for people to go to camp. Ah, beyond the public need being evident, there should be showing that a public interest would best be served. I don't think it would be. This property would more than likely be tax exempt and that certainly is not in the public interest of the people of Itasca County because, if, if, ah, if it ends up being tax exempt, that's about \$40,000 off the tax rolls of each year and that's one dollar for every man, woman, and child in Itasca County. So, I'm not going to go any further. We, we gave considerable testimony at the, ah, at the public hearing that was truly a public hearing. We did not feel that this was to be a public hearing. That's what we were told and we feel we have been kind of blind sided by the attorney coming up and giving more information on the Living Word Bible Camp today than was given all together at both other public hearings and at our personal meetings with Ron Hunt, Judy Hunt, and other members of the Living Word Bible Camp. Thank you Commissioners.

Tom S: Thank you, Mary Kay. We have one more presentation:

Jack J: My name is Jack Jones. I teach limnology at the University of Missouri and I have summer property on Deer Lake. And, I'm here to tell you that in the last thirty years, the science of lake management has become quite sophisticated. And, it's much easier to degrade a lake than it is to restore a lake. And, what we're talking about here is lake protection. And, one measure of water quality, and a really good one, is water clarity. Al., scientifically, almost every other feature of water quality is tied to water clarity. And the general public can view water clarity, we can judge water clarity quite well. And water clarity is tied to nutrients and nutrients are tied to waste water and if you put more people on a patch of land, you will generate more nutrients and impart more nutrients to a lake. What I would like to do today is a real simple little illustration of what happens when you increase nutrients and what happens to the water clarity. And, remember, Deer Lake is a clear lake. It is called the lake of changing colors. What I would like you to do is to put up your left hand, like this, with

your index finger in the air and your thumb pointing out. Imagine this is a x, y diagram. You're back in college for a minute, OK? The y diagram, the y axis, the horizontal axis, is transparency. Your thumb represents the x axis. Transparency decreases quite rapidly as nutrients increase just a little bit. Nutrients are on the x axis, transparency's on the y axis. A small increase in transparency in this zone causes a huge decrease, a small increase in nutrients causes a huge decrease in transparency. The top of my index finger could be Crater Lake, could be Lake Tahoe. Deer Lake is probably at my first knuckle. A small increase in nutrients in Deer Lake from additional waste water generated on the lakeshore will decrease the transparency. Out here, we'd have an agriculture lake in Iowa. There's an inflection point that is really critical. And, small increases in nutrients can cause a drastic decrease in transparency. And all those correlated - water quality variables. Keep this lake residential. Keep the number of people on the lakeshore at a minimum. Thank you.

Tom S: Any comments from the Board? (Pause) Well, if not, we'll, ah,

Mary Kay J: I have to say a few more words, Tom.

Tom S: I don't know. I mean, ah, how many more words you going to say? Well, we really, we really not into...

Mary Kay J: Well, I...

Tom S: (inaudible) much more...

Mary Kay J: Right. And I just have a few comments. I will keep it short. But, I think I have the right to say something.

Bob W: Point of order.

Tom S: Yes.

Bob W: This is not a public hearing. We've heard from her last time. We've heard from...

Tom S: I think...

Bob W: ...people for the last six weeks.

Tom S: I think we're ready to discuss.

Mary Kay J: Alright. Ok. Well, I want it on the record, then, if you allowed, ah, Mr. Hunt to speak, you should allow me to