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To The Municipal Council of Beiseker;

This letter is in regards to the proposed by-law amendments for sixth street. I am directly opposed to redesignating commercial property to residential.

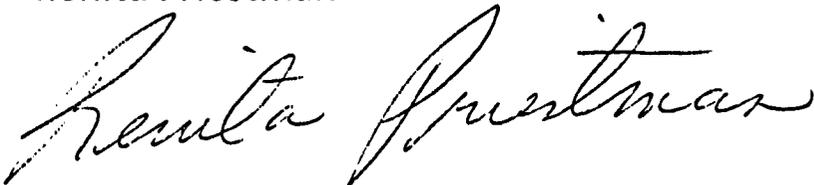
To have residential property mixed in with commercial property on main street, would definitely decrease the visual appeal of the area, but in the future, I believe it would devalue the surrounding properties.

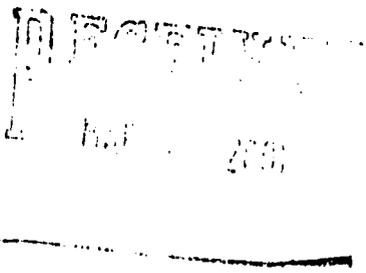
One of the concerns I have is that the properties will not be used for their original intent. As an example, the proposed seniors complex, if there is not enough seniors to rent or sell to, will the owner not then seek to sell or rent to others?

The Village Council needs to keep in mind what this community will need to look like in the future to attract new members to the community and as well, appease the current residents. Certainly, as I think of several other communities approximately the size of Beiseker, I cannot think of too many that have residential buildings on a commercial street with businesses. To do this would seriously degrade and devalue our community now and in the future.

Please consider these very important factors when making your final decision to amend the by-law or not, and consider a long range future plan that will attract the kind of residents that will be a benefit to our community.

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To Village of Belseker

In regards to your letter re: proposed amendment of bylaws 2001-03 and 2001-04 , we would like to respond.

We are strongly opposed to the amending of the above mentioned bylaw from commercial to residential.

We are also strongly opposed to the building of the proposed 8 unit condo unit.

When we purchased the lots we own, we specifically inquired about the lots , "Lot 1 Block 12 Plan 1192 FR as to what they were zoned. This commercial zoning fit in with our plans of building here. It seemed, as commercial there would be nothing built there for some time, and if something was built there, commercial would suit our plans best. We just bought this land 1 year ago.

Because we moved in from the country and myself specifically have never lived in town, the open area was perfect which was why we also purchased both lots. This is a nice QUIET and peaceful area to live.

I deal with people and children at school all day and I do not want to live in, around or that near ,a lot of children, dogs, cats, noise, people. We moved here from farm and need privacy, space, and quiet.

Dale works long, odd hours and rises very early 3:30 am and so retires very early in evening 7:30 - 8:30 pm. This is another reason we would like to see this kept as a commercial lot. Being commercial, even if developed would keep it quiet during evenings and weekends.

We believe this council and village needs to have a plan or vision for this village for the future. What about in 10 - 15 - 20 years.? Where does this village see itself then? Do we want less commercial property, or have commercial moved into residential? Seems like then we'd be doing everything backwards!

The plans we have seen for the proposed building, 8 condo 2 storey units look very nice on paper. But plans very seldom turn out as first presented. This is one of the first views coming into town and yes ,a nice building would look better than an empty lot that is not maintained very well. But this is where we need a vision to be in place. A nice commercial building would look just as inviting.>

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We also understand that you are looking for more tax base as a village, but again, use some planning and thought for the future. There are lots of other places in a residential part of town for the condo units, that deal with population of this kind. This proposed 8 unit condos would put a lot of people on main street. There is already a problem with vandalism and security on main street. Why ask for more?

We are also opposed of the building of the 2 storey condo plans. The constricted view and feeling would be like living in a city. A commercial building would not limit that constricted feeling near as much, in our opinion.

In closing, we hope you take our thoughts and ideas back to the village council meetings and adopt a plan better suited to our whole village needs.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 20th 2001

Village of Beiseker

As an adjacent land owner
I am opposed to the
Bylaw 2001-03 and
Bylaw 2001-04 to changing
these development plans from
Commercial to residential

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