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We are the Caledonia Citizens Alliance

We have gathered to unify our voices and move forward on resolving the issues surrounding the Douglas Creek Estates and ensure the Caledonia Citizens and Businesses voices are heard loud and clear.

This group was created on Friday May 12, and our first mandate was to gain a position in the bargaining circle and to ensure we had the ear of those that are deciding our fates.

We have succeeded at this!

These are some of our other successes to date:

- Being recognized as a valid voice by the media and the key people involved in discussions: David Peterson, David Ramsay, Barbara McDougall, Jane Stewart, and other senior negotiators for the Province of Ontario.
- Looking at the possibility of establishing a plan for businesses to deal with economic loss.
- Started the creation of a strong marketing/advertising plan that will help to revitalize the Caledonia business sector funded by the \$50,000 grant by the province.
- Created an economic development and compensation sub-committee chaired by Darren Rezansoff and Andy Fitzhenry
- Created this website as a source of accurate information on the current state of affairs to help keep the community informed.



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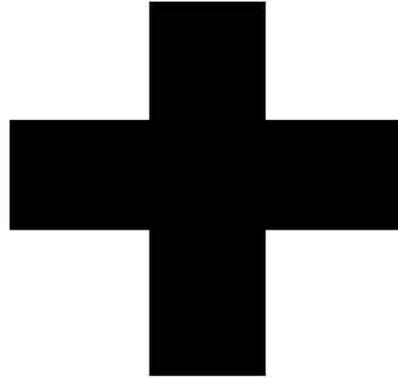


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SOMETHING POSITIVE?

Even in these trying times we need to take a minute to lift our head and look at the positives.

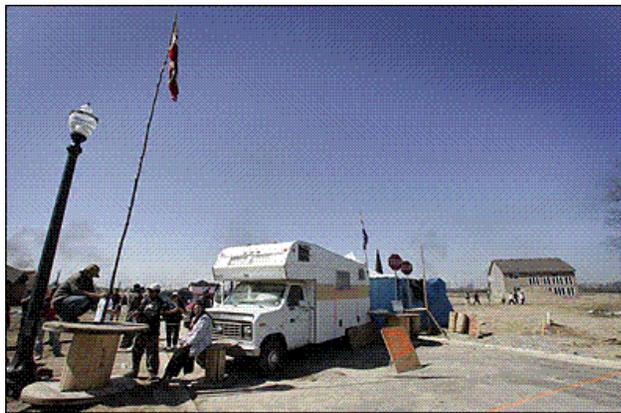
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- Some local residents are trying to organize a dance for the weekend of May 27-28th to give the community a chance to get out, reconnect and raise spirits. We will post more information here as we receive it.



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Pictures below are provided by Sachem reporter Mike Pearson

Thank you..





What needs to get resolved for you to be able to continue on with normal life?

The blockades must come down.

The land dispute must be resolved

The blockades and land issues must be settled.

Results

I see when the Natives are given some of their own medicine they really don't like it. I think the Natives have no choice but to take barricades down they have been told they have to or no more talks, now that is what this is suppose to be about so we will see if they open up all roads and the rail line. If the Natives still have any roads blocked I beleive it is time to remove them with force. Caledonia people have been through enough and have been patient about it.

The terrorism should end, the things the Natives do during the night are not being reported on but are happening. They are calling us racist but if I seen a non native person doing these things I would feel the same way. I hope this is ended soon. I can say that I feel very proud of the people turning the Natives around and keeping them from coming into town. I think I will go help them later in the day.

The Americans sometimes get it very right.

They do NOT negotiate with terrorists.

How can our government negotiate from a position of duress. I was pleasantly pleased to here David Ramsay state that the negotiations will only continue when the blockades are down.. WELL DONE!

Time for the next step. Stop all transfer payments to the nations in the exact amount this protest is costing Canadians (that's right, Not just Caledonia, not Haldimand.. CANADIAN MONEY)

What are we at now.. We know it's over

\$800,000,000

.....surprisingly, has been tolerated for some time! Clearly there has been legal concessions Provincially and Federally such that this Native Demonstration can continue without consequence to the protesters . The apparent Government fear of an escalation both locally and nationally is the only trump card the protesters seem to be holding and frankly its been quite effective. It literally has economically shut this community down!

Sadly after exhaustive round table discussions, what we have is such half measures as the road block being partially opened (with Native presence and potential Native car/occupant inspection to ensure safety for them ...chuckle) as demonstration of good faith! After 5 weeks of blockade and months of protest we are painfully close to some kind of community insurrection. Although one must respect the tactic of negotiation as a means to an end, perhaps we have reached the tipping/flash point! Many, if not all of us (nation wide) have tired with the demonstration of lawlessness in Caledonia. Yes, we all are concerned for the underdog, whether it be in Canada, Afghanistan, Africa, or other global flash points, however here in our backyards it has become lawless, senseless and shameful.

One must ask our government officials "at WHAT POINT OF CRISIS shall we expect them to intervene with force necessary to end this blockade!?" It is no longer economically or physically safe for us all to negotiate while under this blockade. The blockade/protesters must be given a final date to remove itself, completely and unconditionally!

One solution is to simply set up a "Reservation border guard" at all roads and rail crossings etc. These inspection points would simply enable the government to monitor the coming and going of Native and Non-Natives while maintaining a buffer between the communities. Further this would allow all involved to get back to some semblance of our lives as usual. If there is further unrest/lawlessness created by this action then the government can ask the Native community to pay for their unlawful protest by withholding their financial assistance. Clearly, its in the best interest of the Native community to get control of their situation, "lest they forfeit" the privileges extended to them over the years, not to mention the huge economic loss to the reservation, as no one will go there, smokes or no smokes!

If the government really does owe the Six Nations compensation for land issues, then admit to it and apologize to them, (like it did recently to the Chinese people of Canada) and get them a compensation package!

In the mean time our community and Nation can gain some comfort in knowing

that civil disobedience does not pay and puts the power back into the hands of the law abiding, citizens and the Government of Ontario and Canada!

Sincerely

Member of Caledonia
Citizen of Canada

To-night I was at the blockade by the Canadian Tire store.

One native who was drunk-tried to go through our barricade-and hit one of our protesters.

The OPP did not arrest the drunk driver-and took about 20 minutes to make out a report for the woman who was hit by the drunk Indian.

Where is the Army-obviously there is something terribly wrong here.

CALEDONIA RESIDENTS AND ANYONE CONCERNED FOR THE TOWN OF
CALEDONIA-COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR TOWN.WE STAND ALONE!!!!

Native Protesters:

Theft
Assault
Extortion
Mischief
Arson
Theft of Utilities
Unlawful Search and Seizure
Obstruct Justice
Conspiracy
Assault Police
Disobey Court Order
Break & Enter
Obstruct Highway
Obstruct Railway
Render OPP Impotent

Caledonia:

Patience
Perserverance
Controlled Frustration

Caledonia Citizens

I cannot personally speak for any other union but my own. USWA Local 1005, (representing the former Stelco Hilton Works employees). In no way was the placing of our local's flag sanctioned by the membership of Local 1005. It was placed there independently by the president Rolf Gertsenberger. The telephone in the union hall apparently rang endlessly once the membership learned of this action demanding that our flag be removed, (the majority of the membership lives in Hamilton). This action by Rolf G. was reported (with outrage) right up to the International level in Pittsburg. I am a proud, long time Caledonia resident, and also a proud member of local 1005. I cannot describe the feeling that I, and my "brothers and sisters" of 1005 feel seeing our Locals flag flying at the blockade. Unfortunately the flag still flies, but, Mr. Gertsenberger's ears must be still ringing and he has lost the respect of his membership.

On behalf of the membership of Local 1005, and from myself I wish to apologize for this very unfortunate action.

On Monday, May 22nd, which is the Canadian Holiday Victoria Day. The Natives however see this as a different holiday. This is called "Bread and Cheese Day." This is a gift to the Natives from Queen Victoria thanking them for their help. In Oshweken, a truck....transport truck, FILLED with loaves of bread and blocks of Cheese are given to the Natives. The truck rolls right through Caledonia, and of coarse the Natives will take down the blockade to fill their stomachs. I suggest we need to barricade this truck from rolling on through Caledonia. If they open it for themselves, open it for everyone. This is supposed to be a gift from the Queen, but ask yourself, do they really deserve this gift? See you at the barricades Monday!

As a resident of Caledonia I feel it is no longer about land reclamation, this occupation is about how far the Protesters will be permitted to push us and the Government into giving in to their demands. Once the fight is over with the Douglas Creek Estates, how long before they move on to the next site here in Haldimand County or someplace else in Canada? How long before the Protesters decide the property your home is sitting on is theirs and they demand it back? If we give in to a single demand then we are setting ourselves up for future trouble, by these people. Why are we negotiating with people who break our laws and publicly admit they do not follow our Canadian Laws, since when do we the Canadian people not just the people of Caledonia put up with that? We have Canadian men and woman loosing their lives in other countries in order to uphold the law and peace for strangers to us, yet here in our own backyard we are being walked on like an old mat. It is time that the Residents of Caledonia and the neighboring area, along with the rest of Canada stand united and let these Protesters and the Government know we are not going to be quiet and hide any longer. The Government are our employees we pay their wages it is time we make them earn what they spend, it is time to hold them accountable, it is time they step up to the plate and resolve this situation today, not tomorrow. To ask for patience is fine, and I personally feel we have been more then patient during these times, but now it is time for patience to be put aside and the Government to use force if need if there is to be any order in our community in the near future. Opening up one road block is good, but it is not great there are still heavy trucks that will not be able to use Argyle, therefore the need for all barricades to be removed is a very real need. To give in to any demands set forth by the Protesters is teaching very little to our future generations on either side of the barricade. We are teaching them that if you break the law, and destroy people's lives you will given what you want, this is not something I want my children to learn. The Protesters can say they are doing something in "Good Faith" is great, but at what price. Many are angry with the OPP officers that have been in our town for not upholding the law, and I am angry with them too, but we should be fair they have to follow their orders if they agree with them or not. Most of these officers would much rather be in their own community with their families then standing on our roads not knowing what is going to happen next. One only as to look into some of their faces in order to see the frustration some of them our feeling with all this, they might agree with the Residents or the might agree with the protesters, but they dare not show the side they support as it would mean their job. Some may be sitting on the fence, but let's give them credit they stand there with insults being shouted at them, people spitting at their feet and yet can do very little. If we really want to be angry with the OPP then we need to be angry with their superiors not the officers on our streets. Look at the head of the OPP for him not even to know the men he is in charge of are the Police Force in Caledonia is disgusting, if he does not know where is Officers are then how can take charge of them. We need the Canadian Armed Force's here if not to remove the Protesters then to stand as the OPP are guarding our streets, business's, homes, lives and community. The Protesters did not waste anytime bringing in their Army instead of their Police, an Army presence in town would give Residents a sense of safety. Also I do not think it is a great idea that the children attending Notre Dame Catholic School be allowed to have full use of the playground during this situation, as neither side knows when something may occur.

Now with that all said I also would like to point out that many of our local Native's are not in support of this Protest, but are fearful to speak out against the ones who are, also it not only Native people behind their barricade their are many Non Native's too. Has anyone also thought of how this is going to effect our Town Wide Garage Sale coming up in June?

The aboriginal blockade in the southern Ontario town of Caledonia will be lifted on Monday, Linda Powless, a reporter with the aboriginal paper Turtle Island News, told CBC Newsworld on Sunday.

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The Six Nations demonstrators agreed Saturday night to open the road, she said. But a spokesperson for the protesters would not confirm that.

The blockade was put up to protest the construction of housing on land they say they own.

- FROM APRIL 29, 2006: [Non-native Caledonia protesters vent frustrations](#)

The province has agreed to a moratorium on development on the 218-hectare site, Powless said. David Peterson, the former premier who was appointed to serve as a mediator, had earlier indicated that a deal involving the land was possible.

"The province has also met the other demands, that were to pay for an archeological survey of the site which is very important because they do believe there may be a burial ground on the site," Powless added.

"There's been some major concerns about safety that they feel they've addressed."

Powless said it was necessary for both sides to compromise to avoid escalating the situation. "I think that this is a very important move on the part of the province because, let's remember, the province of Ontario is very new to native issues. This has always been federal territory."

She also said the federal government had met with the confederacy council for the first time. The council is the traditional government of the Six Nations, "which the majority of the people in this community support," she said.

Government must compensate company, lawyer says

The lawyer for Henco Industries, the developer that has always claimed it holds legal title to the disputed land, reacted bitterly to the proposed deal on Saturday.

Mark Bruder said his clients were not informed by the provincial government about the moratorium. Now the government will have to buy back the land at fair market value, and that would have to include Henco's potential profit, he said.

There was a report in late April that the province was willing to compensate the company.

Henco had started construction on the first of what it hoped would be 240 homes on 40 hectares when the protesters occupied the site in late February. They came from the Six Nations of the Grand River Territory reserve near Brantford.

The demonstrators say the 380,000-hectare Haldimand Tract along the region's Grand River was granted to them in 1784. The province originally said aboriginals gave up the land in 1841 to make way for a new road, an agreement the Six Nations say was only meant to be a lease.

Six Nations filed a land claim over the area in 1999.

There have been rallies with racial overtones by white demonstrators angry about the blockade, but on Friday one of the leaders of the rally, Jim Smith, talked to First Nations protesters and "left there as a friend," Powless said.

I woke this morning to realize that a solar lamp that was in a garden at the end of our drive had been stolen during the night. I have now found out that 4 more of my neighbours in Scottacres have also had their solar lights stolen. In all of these incidents there was nothing else taken or disturbed other than the solar lights. These lights have adorned our properties undisturbed for many years. Just wondering if anyone else have been experiencing unexplained theft issues on their private property.

We were at the Barricade last evening and the OPP informed us that the barricade on Argyle Street would be coming down Monday morning at aprox. 6:30am the OPP say it coming down and staying down. However it is the Native's Breade and Cheese Day, so perhpas they are doing it for their visitors Iwe don't know what to believe. As you know so many things have been going to happen then don't and things that were not to happen did. Suppose we will have to wait till Monday. Have you been told it is coming down and staying down and if so what conditions did we have to agree to ?

I am a resident of Caledonia and I support the voice of the Caledonia Citizens Alliance.
Please listen to what they are saying on behalf of this community.

Sincerely,

Have you ever seen a Western movie where the Indian Warriors encircle a wagon train to block off escape,

and force those people to fight for their lives?

In the olden days the warriors only had bows and arrows, and some guns, stolen or illegally bought.

In these days they have Guns, legal and illegal ones. and they are circling a peaceful town called Caledonia, in Ontario.

Some towns people do have guns, but most have nothing to defend themselves with.

BUT we have the **O**perating **P**eace **P**atrol, which are keeping us back from building a defense barrier.

Our **C**anadian **A**rmY **V**alliant's **A**re **L**argely **R**einforced **Y**onder.

We Are Sitting Canadian Geese along the shores of the Grand River, ready for a thanksgiving feast,

Defenseless.

Has the time come to make ourselves some Bows and Arrows? encircle our town with Bulldozers?

are we ready to die? for the **F**REEDOM of our children and grandchildren for the next **S**EVEN generations?

Shall We Built our own Fortification??

as a once famous quote:

"Your either with us, or against us"

which should apply to all our elected Officials

Enough is enough. This has to end and it must end now. This is an illegal occupation of someone's else's property. Whether the native protestors accept the fact the land was legally sold many years ago or not, there are legal avenues to pursue their claims. This "peaceful" protest is nothing more than a vigilante group of renegades illegally occupying private and public property. These protestors will not accept that the land was sold by their ancestors and are claiming its validity. They claim it wasn't sold, yet there is suppose to be documentation stating otherwise. Either way, if these protestors have problems with the validity of the land claims, they should use the legal systems put in place by society to verify their claims. If they wish to protest, which they have every right to do, their protest should be with the institutions that are privy to their plight not with, the people they so often have called in the press, their "neighbours".

In general I think politicians and various social activists have to stop looking at what happened in the past through the social conscious of today's society. I'm sure you'll find very few people who disagree that many minority groups were treated unfairly in the past. This was true all over the world not just in Canada. Claiming land for a specific country and taking it from others by force if necessary was the accepted norm by European nations. Many expanding countries slaughtered the current occupiers, many enslaved them and some granted them tracts of land for their own.

As civilized societies move forward, they learn from past mistakes and grow. Laws are developed so minorities are protected and so that minorities have a voice. Many feel we still have a long way to go but we need to deal with situations based on what we have now but at the same time recognize that what happened in the past was considered acceptable behavior.

It is interesting to note that the occupiers do not want to accept that their ancestors sold the property in question. The chiefs that signed away the land in question did not represent them. Well, let me contend that various governments in the past didn't directly represent me either...I didn't expropriate native lands; I didn't unfairly manipulate natives out of land. Why am I still paying the price for this? How long do Canadians have to pay for the actions of our ancestors? Was it wrong how our ancestors obtained land hundreds of years ago? What is compensation? How much is enough compensation? Natives, as members of society, utilize public roads, public schools and use the health care system yet are not required to pay taxes which cover the cost for such services. That has to account for some of the compensaton towards natives by non-natives. We have a federal government which budgets billions of dollars for native affairs with very little accountability on how it is

spent to better the lives of native peoples. Our governments keep throwing money at the issue and getting very minimal results until the next occupation and more money is offered up as a solution. What is the compensation for exactly? There must be a dollar figure associated to that compensation. Is it a billion dollars? \$100 billion?

The native issue is a money pit. The more money thrown into it the worse it gets. For all the money given to better the quality of life for the native peoples, their conditions have worsened. Current policy does not work and the federal government needs to deal with it and dumping more money into it just hasn't worked.

These occupiers have seized private property, barricaded public roads, vandalized public property, burned tires releasing toxins into the air, rolled a mini van off a bridge and burned it (that bridge will be unusable until inspected), etc. Doing this while thumbing their nose at the authorities. We all know that no one else could get away with this. These occupiers are terrorists. They are holding the community up for ransom and the government is sitting at a table and negotiating with them. Do we negotiate with terrorists? What will they be rewarded with in exchange for removing the barricades? What kind of precedence are we setting? Will they next occupy Dunnville's bridge? Port Maitland? How long do we wait this time for the next group to claim this group didn't represent them?

As for actions needed today. Remove the occupiers. Arrest all those who have broken the law....many on tape. Restore order in Caledonia. Do not reward this action with any deal. Investigate the legality of the land claims. If the natives claims are correct, then discuss compensation. Develop a reimbursement plan which withholds native government payments, subsidies, transfers, etc. Whatever it takes until the cost associated with this illegal occupation is paid for (i.e. policing, vandalism etc) These occupiers must be held accountable for their actions. Then and only then will they think twice before thinking of illegally blockading public roads and illegally occupying someone else's property.

We can no longer accept this way of protesting by the native communities!!!

This is a letter my wife wrote Saturday night, after we had been threatened on the phone by an alleged native protester. We reported it to the OPP and they came by our house to take down the details. They advised us that a patrol car would make regular visits to our area of town. We assume that they followed up on our complaint but we don't know for sure. Hopefully the call was just some angry drunk who was equally frustrated with the whole situation as we are. Since the area newspapers chose to print a couple of my "letters to the editor", I have received complimentary comments from some people and some not-so-complimentary ones as well. Neither of the negative callers would tell us who they were or how we could contact them to discuss their feelings.....how brave!

Caledonia Resident

"To Our Neighbours in Oshweken:

It's 12:00am and I just received a threatening phone call from a native protestor, because my husband wrote to the paper stating that the law breaking in Caledonia must stop. What is wrong with asking that lawfulness be restored to Caledonia. I have nothing against the native people, I quite like the aboriginal people whom I know. I find it hard to believe that most of them are in favour of the illegal actions that have been taken by these "warriors" who have taken over our town. I do believe that the native land claims should be PEACEFULLY settled. Burning bridges, blockading roads, harassing and threatening the citizens of Caledonia is not the way to accomplish anything but stirring up hate. Why would anyone want to stir up hate unless they WANT to have a violent confrontation. Why are the citizens of Caledonia being offered up as sacrifice to people who have no respect for the law.

When you choose to live in a country you must abide by it's laws. Whether your ancestors have lived here forever is not pertinent, you have chosen to stay, which means that you are subject to the laws of Canada. Were I to choose to move to Saudi Arabia I would not be allowed to drive a car or show my face in public. I would not agree with these laws, but I would honour them because without laws you have anarchy. The Aboriginal Peoples are an old and proud society, the actions of these protestors cheapens their society, making them look like the ignorant savages that the bigots would like us all to believe they are. You need to stop the blockading of the roads and the harassment of the citizens of Caledonia so you can once again hold your heads high to be the proud people that you once were. Whether or not you "win" in the land claim dispute, this action is bad for everyone who lives in the area. Sooner or later, one way or another, it will be over and the lawbreakers who have come for their fun will go home, and people on both sides of the dispute will be left with anger and frustration. It will be many years before a peaceful happy relationship will be restored. Will you really have won anything at all?

Intelligence and persistence always triumphs over anger and violence. I urge all

of the intelligent First Nations people to cry out to their leaders to put an end to these illegal actions now."

"When I despair...I remember that all through history, the way of truth and love has always won. There have been murderers and tyrants, and for a time they can seem invincible. But in the end they always fall. Think of it.....always." Ghandi

Re: coc.ca, Home Page News "electricity is being stolen"

"It has now been confirmed by Haldimand Hydro that there is now theft of power from hydro poles. A citizen called Haldamind Hydro about a suspicious looking hookup to a hydro pole. You and I will be paying for this Hydro usage on our bills... Even more - I believe that the Natives are reluctant to open Argyle Street because they do not want to remove these sources of stolen Hydro for their camps".

An email received states:

"I called Haldimand Hydro this morning to ask that my street light get fixed (it is awful dark at night) and asked about the situation. They admitted that the hook-ups are illegal and they are worried that they could be potentially dangerous - but there is nothing they can do about it. The electricity is being stolen by these illegal hook-ups."

My Comments;

I wander who is going to be footing this hydro bill... !!!

Question: Why doesn't the Hydro Commision take legal action?

Answer: It's not theft because it's a legal matter that will not be inforced upon a native...

Patriotism Exacts It's Price

Thus far Caledonia residents have resisted valiantly through several personal avenues:

- 1) We are withholding our taxes- This is a simple process. Call your bank and arrange a meeting or go yourself and direct them to put your tax payments into an alternate account. You may even be able to do it by phone.
- 2) We are having our tax base re-assessed. There was a form distributed by some sympathetic resisters, it was easy to fill out and fax or mail. It is up to the assessment company to prove to you what you should be paying and why, not up to the land owner. If satisfaction is not reached, then you can call the Ombudsman for help.
- 3) We have rallied amidst an overwhelming undercover and uniformed police force. We have had flyers confiscated from store owners. We have been followed for distributing information. We have faced Police intimidation. We must continue to show our opposition to the occupation when called to do so.
- 4) **We currently call upon citizens to make the individual choice to boycott all native products and retail stores. Don't buy gas, cigarettes, etc. from Native vendors. We pay more but it is the price for solidarity as citizens and homeowners. If we are not prepared to take action, then who is?**

Wisdom of the Ages:

It may be time that our most powerful group of citizens more visually joins the fight. Our **seniors** make up a huge 'untouchable' percentage of our town. Here is a group that is most directly connected to those loved ones that fought, died and survived during some of our darkest yet finest moments as a Nation. The lawlessness and democratic limitations placed upon citizens of Caledonia and Hagersville is an insult to their sacrifices. We watched on TV, the burials at sea of the few surviving naval men and woman who risked everything during the Battle of the Atlantic. Is this what they envisioned for their country?

Caledonians, Be Warned!

Did you know?

- *The OPP have followed and detained for questioning citizens distributing flyers.
- *The OPP have entered businesses and confiscated flyers.
- *The OPP have entered businesses asking them to call the police if the owners are asked to hand out flyers by citizens.

Not only do we have to fight against the Anarchists occupying our town, we need to be wary of the OPP who are acting outside of their own legal constraints.

If you are accosted by the OPP:

- don't give them your name (their first question)
- ask them to leave you alone, if they don't.....
- take their badge number, ask their name, and report the harassment to the nearest detachment of the OPP in Cayuga. If you are afraid of repercussions, you can try the Ontario Civilian Commission on Police Services # 1 888 515 5005
- make sure you are not alone and a witness is available, preferably with a camera.

Be sure:

You are allowed to gather and protest.

You are allowed to hand out flyers calling for action and challenging the inaction of the Political Police (OPP).

KGB tactics can not be accepted by a democratic society.!!

The OPP and Native Occupiers are indeed "*Partners In Crime*".

Make no mistake,
. WE STAND ALONE!!
But
WE STAND UNITED

Seventy nine days have past since the Natives took a stand in Caledonia stating land that was being developed for housing belonged to them. At the start things were quite, peaceful and most Non Native's did not feel any threat to their safety or homes, that was **Seventy nine days** ago. **Now we have Business's closing early, laying off employee's and going out of business completely, residents nervous to go out at night, stray to far from home and let their children attend schools.** People afraid to leave town, or attend their place of employment for fear they won't get back in at the end of the day, to go to sleep at night in fear of what they will wake up to. Will they be able to get out of town to work, what will be open or closed? **Planes are not permitted to fly in the air space above as the Native's have put a "No Fly Zone" into effect** (Did you know they had a claim on the Air Space?) roads are blocked. **The people of Caledonia and those that surround this area are forced to make detours in order to reach their destinations.** Police Officer's from across the province are away from their families, friends in order to keep the peace between Native's and Non Native's, their vacation time denied in order for them to be in Caledonia. **Out of town people who once thought Caledonia was a great place to live or a nice place to spend the day now think twice before even driving near our town.** Summer is fast approaching, people from across the country come to visit Port Dover stopping in Caledonia along the way, these people will be few this year due to the Occupation. People who once shopped, fished and lived side by side now are nervous to look at each other. **Racism that had been left behind years ago now has showed it's ugly head again on both sides of the blockade. The head of our province & the head of our country have yet to visit Caledonia and speak with the people.**

Why is it this level of Government can find the time to appear in town's & cities within other Canadian province's, they find time to travel to the United States of America along with other oversea destinations, but can not find one day to visit Caledonia in their time of need?

Why is it that the Native's have support from across the Canadian country and world, while the Residents of Caledonia scream for support from Non Native's across Canada?

Why is it that Unions are permitting their members to fly Union flags at a barricade in support, when it is a Non Union matter?

Caledonia residents are being told they have nothing to fear from the Native's, if not knowing if tomorrow they will be standing on your land, if you can get in or out of your town on a daily basis, and having your children and family see Native's walking around and in trees wearing fatigues and scarves' over their faces not fearful then what is?

Why do the Native's feel they need to have Mohawk Warriors and the like on hand if they are peaceful?

Are these Warriors not the same to the Native's as the Canadian Army is to Canadian's?

In Seventy nine days we have had roads blocked, bridge's burned, trains unable to operate, schools & business's close, streets full of Police & Media, home owner's not able to move into their homes or even go home to the ones they have lived in for years, property values decrease, business's have cut hours some have even gone out of business. I

In Seventy nine days the Native's have prevented further construction, blocked roads, have damaged Police vehicles, prevented people from entering their homes, stopped a company from removing it's property from the occupation site, burnt tires, prevented trains from reaching their destinations, blocked highways, thrown items from bridge's, informed the people of Caledonia they are in arrears of tax's, disrespected the Canadian Laws, been arrested and released on bail without ever paying any bail, threatened our fire department and people, called town's people Terrorists, forced EMS to take detours to reach hospital's, they have caused Caledonia our peace of mind, they have installed fear in our children & families, they have done all this claiming to to be peaceful people.

Now the Native's will & have said what we are going through because of this occupation is nothing in comparison to what they have had to live with for the past two hundred odd years. Yes they have been on the short end of the stick at times, but instead of remembering all the negative things of the past, how can one forget all the positive things that have happened to them. **Though the Native's are not completely tax exempt, they do have tax benefits not available to Non Native's, No Sales Tax, No Property Tax on Reserve's, the Interest free loans they are granted with no money down on mortgages on and off the Reserve the amount depending on their income, Health coverage, Dental coverage, the Government grants they are given for schooling, housing, and okay not all Native's are dependent on Social Service's, however some do receive it, what about being able to cross borders without any difficulty and so much more.**

If the people of this occupation are a Nation onto their own, why is it they use our Canadian currency? What country in this world permits another to use it's currency as their own?

Why is it they can work beside us on our known land?

Why is it they do not have their own License Plates for their vehicles?

Where else in this world can you use another countries Vehicle Plates as your own?

Why is it they can live beside on our known land without going through immigration?

What other country allows you to live within it's society without becoming a citizen?

It has been said that without the Native's we would be another State with in the Untied states of America and we would be under the leadership of George Bush. **Let it be clear to all that if that indeed were the case Caledonia would be free of all Native Occupation and it would not have taken Seventy nine days.**

Our leader Harper and the American's leader Bush are close friends, we implore Mr Bush to have a leader to leader talk with Mr Harper to call on THE ARMY NOW!

I was at the meeting today & it was stated that letters to the Alliance & government to show support for them would be great . I do have a question though.

If I send a letter and the "unions" that the Six Nation have letter from ---my letter will be null & void as it one against a body of union members.

Can this list of affiliated 'unions' that the Six Nations claim to have support of not be made public as the members of these unions can actually inform their shop stewarts & union reps as to their views on this matter.

If you will not publicize this as it is not within your mandate, could you not forward this list to either the local newspapers and/or the citizensofcaledonia.ca website?

I do not belong to a company with a union but I do have friends who do & would very much like to know if their union is supporting this.

Thank You

Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2006 7:08 PM

Subject: blatant OPP ingnorance

Today is the day that the native negotiators have walked away from the native lands dispute negotiations and one of them has even declared a televised statement of war against Canadians simply because arrest warrants have been issued against four native men who clearly broke the law. Clearly this situation has become a serious threat to all non native people in this country. If an Arab or a British visitor were to break a law in this country they would be arrested and jailed without a doubt. Such a threat of war by this native negotiator or any of the native protestors should be regarded as a blatant act of terrorism against the non-native sectors throughout our country.

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If this countries military and law enforcement agencies continue to refuse to protect our rights of freedom and ensure our safety and continuously refuse to uphold our rights as non-native tax paying Canadians then the door will soon become open to all Canadians to assume the right to take up arms protect and defend themselves.

Subject: Grand River overpasses

[Attention to all citizens living along the Grand River.](#)

There is a very real threat of new blockades...

In order to ensure that the Grand River overpasses at Cayuga, York and Dunnville remain open for the long weekend, maybe some organized groups of non-natives should gather on the river access bridges and set up tents in order to ensure that the native protestors do not set up their blockades to close off all access routes passing over the Grand River during the upcoming long weekend. If the natives take up camp on these routes, the OPP will simply observe the lawlessness and do nothing once again.

It would be very interesting to see if the OPP would dare to arrest us non-natives for preserving our rights to have free passage over these bridges.

Request for Help

24 hours have passed since I requested for assistance regarding the following ongoing issues and I received no response to my request from information@forces.gc.ca

Can someone at this email address process my request for assistance in the following matters?

Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2006 10:55 PM

Subject: requesting protective services

This is a special request regarding the six nations native protestor activity in Caledonia Ontario.

If a Canadian citizen was concerned enough to request immediate military intervention and protection from the ongoing and escalating radical native protestor [terrorist] activities along the Grand River in Caledonia Ontario, would the Canadian military become obligated to provide the appropriate protective services and restore law and order to the community that has so been abandoned [ie: without appropriate corrective actions from OPP law enforcement services or the provincial government] in such disruptive matters?

This is my recent plea to the mayor of Haldimand County regarding my thoughts and concerns on the Caledonia six nations protesters threats to our communities.

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From: "Finley, Diane - Riding 1" <FinleD1@parl.gc.ca>
To: "Finley, Diane - Riding 1" <FinleD1@parl.gc.ca>
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2006 5:29 PM
Subject: A message from the Hon. Diane Finley

May 19, 2006

I would like to thank each and every one of you for taking the time to write me and share your concerns with respect to the situation in Caledonia. Your personal observations and insights have been a valuable tool for me here in Ottawa, as I continue to push for a speedy and peaceful resolution to this situation.

I also want to thank you for sharing your coordinates with me so as to establish a regular means of contact. From here on in, I will be sending out updates such as this every week until this situation's resolved, so that you can be kept as informed as possible. As you deserve to be.

As you know, there have been a number of developments in the situation at Douglas Creek Estates this week. The Federal and Provincial Special Representatives, former Cabinet Ministers Hon. Barbara McDougall and Hon. Jane Stewart, have met again with Six Nations members.

By now, you have probably read newspaper reports about the provincial government's decision to place a moratorium on development of this land with the understanding that, for talks to proceed, there must be continued progress on the removal of barricades.

As I have said all along, both levels of government have distinct roles to play and we must work together in addressing this issue.

Several of the most immediate issues are clearly provincial. These include land use and development, and policing.

Of course, the federal government is always involved in the broader issues relating to First Nations. The situation in Caledonia has raised a number

of concerns including the history of the Haldimand Tract, longstanding claims relating to the administration of Six Nations assets, and administrative issues under The Indian Act.

None of these can be solved overnight, but federal officials have expressed hope that, through discussion, we can find a way to address these as quickly as possible. It always has been, and will continue to be, our belief that these issues can best be addressed in the less tense atmosphere that we will see once the barricades are lifted.

Throughout this situation, the federal government has played a leading role in keeping the talks moving. In March, Hon. Jim Prentice, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs, commissioned a federal fact finder, whose work had an important role to play in talks with the various stakeholders.

I have had frequent conversations with the Minister, sharing news and opinions from our community. He has been in frequent contact with Mrs. McDougall and other federal officials at the table, as well as his provincial counterpart, Hon. David Ramsey. He is extremely well briefed on the file and his business-like approach is giving federal officials at the table the flexibility to think outside the box to develop solutions.

Diane Finley, P.C., M.P.

Haldimand - Norfolk

Minister of Human Resources and Social Development Canada

Attn: Michelle Bakos [Constituency Assistant] of the Hon. Diane Finley, P.C., M.P.

If Diane Finley were to make herself available to address the people of Haldimand County directly in a question and answer forum, this would likely help to air out some of the frustrations that have been accumulated throughout this period of native occupation on highway #6. She should contact Ken Hewitt directly if she will decide to make herself available for an opportunity to arrange a forum event.

The native's lawlessness that is continuously being tolerated by the provincial government and the OPP is at the overall expense of all who reside in Haldimand County. This level of ignorance by our OPP law enforcement agency is unacceptable to the people of this country.

I realize that Diane Finley is the minister of HR, but she currently has an obligation of obviously urgent proportions given the ongoing situation here, to devotedly represent the current issues at hand that she was empowered to deal with from the electoral results last federal election. After all, she devotedly accepted this responsibility to fully represent the people of Haldimand County at that time.

The inuendo of the wording within your response to my email leads me to believe that you think that I am personally coming down on Diane Finley's capabilities. I am simply as frustrated and disappointed as many other Haldimand County residents, regarding the lack of response timing and in some cases the blatant ignorance that has been exercised by all of our governments and our law enforcement agencies throughout this dispute to date.

So let me make myself quite clear about something. The issues at hand are not Diane Finley's fault, but it certainly is her job to come to the plate immediately and deal with these issues. If she opts to avoid being a part of the solution, then she will remain to be regarded as part of the problem.

There are three distinct separate issues at hand here that are clouding the big picture in this dispute:

1] There is an ongoing land ownership dispute that has been dragging out for several years. These issues are finally, just now being expedited and I believe that some positive progress has already been made and I believe that the natives will get what they rightly deserve in the end.

2] There has been and continues to be unlawful acts being committed by a small group of native people (the radicals within the native protest group)

and our laws are not being respected by these few individuals. If a non-native gets out of line they are arrested immediately by the OPP, yet if a native gets out of line they are not detained or arrested. Our highway passages are being occupied by native protesters and the threat of more blockades are an ongoing threat to our communities. These blockades must be removed immediately and the routes in question will have to be continuously manned to ensure that these routes remain open in order to maintain a possitive level of security for the travellers on these routes.

3] There have been several courts orders issued pertaining to the native protester's for various non compliance issues, arrest warrants have been issued and the provincial government and the OPP law enforcement has done nothing to deal with or enforce these court decisions.

Issue #1: is the root cause of this current native disruption and this issue is already being expedited appropriately. There is no need for Diane Finley to be involved in this dispute.

Issue #2: reflects the need to keep our highways free from obstruction of protesters and to provide ongoing protection to ensure safe passage on these routes. This is where Diane Finley should be pressing for immediate military intervention and involk military services for homeland security.

Issue #3 provincial and federal laws are being ignored by authorities where ever natives are cited and this is beginning to negate the entire foundation of or lawful and democratic Canadian society. This is where Diane Finley should be pressing for Federal law enforcement to replace the current OPP that are refusing to enforce the laws.

So to respond to your notation that I should call your office directly

----- Original Message -----

From: "Finley, Diane - Riding 1" <FinleD1@parl.gc.ca>

To: *****

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2006 12:28 PM

Subject: re: Caledonia

Dear *****

To best serve your needs, please call us directly at the office to address concerns, questions and/or comments.

Caledonia is first and foremost on the mind of Minister Finley. She is working hard for her constituents for a peaceful resolution.

Every voice is important to her, so please call:

Office hours: Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm

Toll Free: 1-866-496-3400

Local: (519) 426-3400

Sincerely,

Michelle Bakos

Constituency Assistant

Hon. Diane Finley, P.C., M.P.

Haldimand-Norfolk

Minister of Human Resources and Social Development

Call the no. below to contact the Television program W5. I have left a msg. at W5 asking for their immediate attention to this matter as it will affect all Canadians eventually. I have sent them the links to this and other sites with the hopes of garnering some national attention. Please do the same. Perhaps the more people that call the better chance they'll respond. Please call or e-mail CTV and ask for W5 and then state our case.

(416) 332-5000

w-five@ctv.ca

Mike Duffy who has a political program on CTV's News Net and he certainly has the ear of high level Federal politicians. He might also be someone to request more attention to this matter.

duffy@ctv.ca

Good Luck !!

I am a local Caledonia citizen who is at the final stages of any patience I may have maintained throughout this ordeal..... and as I have wholeheartedly supported the concerted efforts of our town to band together with a voice of intelligent and well thought out statements of our disgrace and intolerance to the current situation (unlike the "street comments" and thoughtless blurtings of the protester's spokespeople) I am now ready to take further action in light of the most recent incidences that have occurred. Aside from everything else of which I am furious about, from Tuesday night forward I cannot let this one go any further..... I personally hold the protesters responsible for the accident on MacKenzie Rd., and immediately felt that there should be legal action taken against them as any other citizen of Canada would be held liable for negligence that causes human suffering (the victims of the first accident are going through undeniable suffering at this very moment). As I gathered my thoughts and contemplated the path I would take in having my say in justice being served, I was once again hit with the news that yet another set of victims has now been sentenced to great suffering, all for the illegal actions of the protesters who have been lawless since February in their terrorist overtaking of the property/roadways of this town.

It is beyond comprehension why penalties are not served/enforced upon indisputable culprits, and innocent people are suffering at the hands of this cause for the self centred benefit of this protest. I will not.... cannot stand by and watch this happen, any more than the other frustrated individuals of this town, whom have until recently, led an otherwise peaceful and lovely community driven life here (which I have grown to adore coming from the city and appreciating all of the beauty of a quiet town where life was without contempt and conflict).

This is an absolutely justified time to take legal action (that will be enforced with something other than a document to be torn and burned in their fire of growing self righteousness and "above the law" attitude). There must be a route that we can take to start this process and make sure they are punished as the rest of the criminals in this country would be. My written comments are not just a vented opinion of exasperation, but a statement of determination to ensure my voice is heard as a deluded and perplexed Caledonian/Canadian who is quickly losing faith in all levels of government and local authorities to ensure my safety and the laws that we are supposed to be living by. (how is it that the government has no problem slapping us with a \$500 fine or jail time for not completing a census that benefits their stats and hurts no one except their budgeted spending but can't make a decision to penalize/punish blatant criminal offenders who are hurting/terrorizing neighbours in physical, financial and moral means?)

Please feel free to divulge these views to anyone that cares to hear the truth and willing to do something about it.....

Sincerely,
Tracy

Hamilton Spectator May 19th

Letter sent from deputy education minister Ben Levin notes concerns Confederacy has about parts of the Ontario school curriculum.

Deputy said the education ministry is willing to hold talks about the curriculum with the Confederacy. Letter does not say what changes the natives want in the Ontario curriculum.

Is there anything else we can give them control of or hand over to them.....

yes.....Ramsay promised government money to do an archaeological assessment of Douglas Creek lands.

It may appear as though the Confederacy terrorists have won the war that they declared against the residents of Caledonia and Haldimand County. They have succeeded in committing numerous crimes without consequence. They have been protected by expensive bodyguards with close to a million dollars of taxpayer money. These natives have crippled the economy of our county and hurt hard working people impacted by the road closures. They have threatened lives and frightened children with their terrorist desire to become martyrs and “shed their blood”. They foolishly declared war against their neighbours and friends and tarnished the reputation of the many peace loving native families who live here. It will take years if not generations to earn the respect and good will of Canadian residents again. Their actions further fuel the discussion on abolishing the reserve system in Canada, due to the insurrection and anger borne out of segregation.

I would like to say “thank you” to the people of Caledonia and Haldimand County for refusing to adopt terrorism in retaliation against these lawbreakers. One day each one of us will be accountable to God for our actions. In spite of being let down by the OPP and government you have taken the high road toward organizing your efforts and exercising diplomacy. The support and kindness extended to businesses and individuals has been phenomenal. Haldimand County residents for the most part have restrained their anger and shown that they have a strong moral fiber that remains intact. Your values as decent law abiding citizens are apparent to all. As bad as the situation is, it has brought out the very best in most people who live here. You still have lots of work to do to win this war, but you should be proud for what you have demonstrated in the last three months of extreme hardship.

May 18 2006

Considering that Caledonia and Haldimand County are a small part of the Ontario Electorate, have you considered establishing a National on-line petition to garner support for the elimination of the Protestors. Utilize a portion of the compensation money to place ads in one or more of the National Papers explaining the double standard that exists between Aborigines and law abiding taxpaying Canadian citizens. The ad could direct people to an on-line petition that has an area for comments as well as they're support for Law and Order in neighbouring communities to Indian Reserves. If the average Canadian was made more aware of the atrocities that are taking place in Caledonia which are having an extremely negative impact economically, emotionally and politically in Haldimand and the rest of Ontario for that matter, perhaps they would lend they're name to the petition. Most Canadians would be even more appalled to realize that their hard earned tax dollars are not only being wasted on the increased presence of the OPP (while their communities may be neglected over the long weekend) but may also be funding this illegal protest.

Have TV shows such as W5 been contacted to do a piece on the Double Standard of law being applied to this community? Surely they would find it intriguing how the OPP are ignoring laws broken by the Aborigines while setting up Radar traps on McKensie Road to trap predominantly non-Indians. Don't even bother with the CBC as the left wing slant would tip public support the wrong way.

Just a thought. The rest of the country really has no idea what's going on here yet the end result in this community could potentially set a precedent as to how future illegal Aborigine protests are handled (And there will be many).

Power in numbers !!!

I have been living in Caledonia for 6 years, never had issue with any neighbor until now. I am tired of the criminal acts being committed in my town, I want my town back immediately, I want to see if other citizens are ready to take legal action against the OPP, the government, the natives, Six Nations all of them. One nice big juicy lawsuit, and stipulate it has to come from their pockets, not tax money, directly from those who have allowed the action to continue, perhaps a penalty of say \$2,000,000 .00 per day since the illegal blockades were erected, all damages to individuals property, the value of the property, of the roads, services all damages to be paid by Six Nations. Until it is paid in full all benefits are frozen in trust to pay for the damages.

I also request that all native rights be revoked immediately since they do not recognize Canadian law they should also not recognize Canadian handouts. I will not pay for these services any longer. Let them be treated the same, work for their money, pay for their services.

Thank you for being here for us, we appreciate your efforts, if you need any help please let me know.

Thanks again

Hi there,

A group of us are talking about having a street rally / dance to unite the people of Caledonia and surrounding communities, and to provide the support needed to help each person get through this.. We're tossing around the idea around about having speakers to come as well.

If this is a go (we're thinking the 28th) would Ken be able to come speak ??? And could we get the support of the Alliance to help encourage a peaceful rally and likely increase attendance as the Alliance is well respected within the community ??

At this point it's all just a bunch of brainstorming.

Thanks,

YES, the Alliance would support a dance.

May 18 2006

I feel the citizens of Caledonia are appearing very complacent about our situation. The gatherings at the barricade on Argyle St. were simply that gatherings. Very ineffective. I feel another rally, at the fairgrounds should be organized asap. At that time allow us to voice our concerns and frustrations. We need to be heard. Anyone who wishes to speak will be allowed to take a number and say what they feel needs to be said.(In a specified amount of time) Maybe then, if enough of us speak, we will be heard.

I am sick to death of being told "be patient" Enough is Enough!!!

call the army in ASAP stop this problem know

Dear CCA:

Why is it that natives can get away with taking an entire town hostage? If the occupiers of Caledonia were white they would have long since been removed by the police or the military. Law enforcement officials should do their jobs and end this illegal occupation ASAP. Former premier David Petersen should do his negotiating AFTER Caledonia is free again and not before.

Regards,

May 16, 2006

Open letter to the Mayor and Council of Haldimand County.

Re: Police services for the region of Haldimand County.

Mayor and members of Council:

I am writing to you in my capacity as a resident of Caledonia with regards to the police action (or rather police inaction) in regards to the handling of the “Native” protest that is ongoing at the Douglas Creek Estates.

I, as well as a great many citizens of Caledonia and also residents of Haldimand County feel that we have not received the proper “protection” that is to be expected and demanded by the contract that was entered into by the council of Haldimand County and the Ontario Provincial Police.

According to the “Police Services Act” certain levels of performance are required to be maintained by the Police service that is under contract.

Section: 41 (1) (b) Duties of the Police Chief

The duties of a chief of police include, ensuring that members of the police force carry out their duties in accordance with this Act and the regulations, and in a manner that reflects the needs of the community, and that discipline is maintained in the police force.

ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE on March 9, 2006 issued a permanent order requiring the six Nations Confederacy Council, various private and unknown persons and the Corporation of Haldimand County to “tear down and remove any barricades constructed across the roadway”.

on March 17, 2006 arrest warrants were ordered by the court . Nothing was done with respect to executing the arrest warrants ! and when action was finally taken it was only done because “Henco” was again forced to go back to court to get the OPP to enforce the original court order.

Needless to say the outcome of the “execution of arrest warrants” failed to prevent an escalation of protest by the “Native community.”

By not ensuring the safety and well being of the community at large, the OPP failed in their ability to provide adequate police protection.

It is my opinion (as well as others I am sure) that the senior management of the OPP has failed to honour certain parts of the contract / agreement that was signed between Haldimand County and the OPP (office of the Solicitor General

For the province of Ontario).

The basic understanding as outlined in the “ Police Services Act “ has been grossly neglected by senior management and our community has suffered for it.

Section: 1 (in its entirety) Declaration of principles

1. Police services shall be provided throughout Ontario in accordance with the following principles:

- 1. The need to ensure the safety and security of all persons and property in Ontario.*
- 2. The importance of safeguarding the fundamental rights guaranteed by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Human Rights Code.*
- 3. The need for co-operation between the providers of police services and the communities they serve.*
- 4. The importance of respect for victims of crime and understanding of their needs.*
- 5. The need for sensitivity to the pluralistic, multiracial and multicultural character of Ontario society.*
- 6. The need to ensure that police forces are representative of the communities they serve. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.15, s. 1.*

Section: 4 (2) Police services in municipalities

Core police services

(2) Adequate and effective police services must include, at a minimum, all of the following police services:

- 1. Crime prevention.*
- 2. Law enforcement.*
- 3. Assistance to victims of crime.*
- 4. Public order maintenance.*
- 5. Emergency response. 1997, c. 8, s. 3.*

At no time am I implying that the fault rests with the “front line officers”, but rather with the senior management as the officers on the “street” are only following orders that come down through the chain of command.

It is therefore my request to the Mayor and Council, that they look into **alternative**

options for “police services” at the expiration of the current contract with the OPP.

Under the “ Police Services Act “ there are various options available to Haldimand County.

Section: 5. (1) A municipality’s responsibility to provide police services shall be discharged in one of the following ways:

- 1. The council may establish a police force, the members of which shall be appointed by the board under clause 31 (1) (a).*
- 2. The council may enter into an agreement under section 33 with one or more other councils to constitute a joint board and the joint board may appoint the members of a police force under clause 31 (1) (a).*

- 4. The council may enter into an agreement under section 6.1 with the council of another municipality to have its police services provided by the board of the other municipality, on the conditions set out in the agreement, if the municipality that is to receive the police services is contiguous to the municipality that is to provide the police services or is contiguous to any other municipality that receives police services from the same municipality.*

I do not make these statements lightly, but I do feel we, as a community have been let down by the senior management of the OPP who clearly do not have the “ best interests “ of the citizens of Caledonia in mind, and as a result the quality of life for residents, as well as the business community has suffered greatly.

I therefore request that the Mayor and members of Council give full thought, and explore all options available to providing alternative “ Policing “ for the Region of Haldimand County.

Regards

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The road is not the issue.....anarchy as a method of voicing your case is. The road is leverage used to take or get more land that is not the Natives. The inability of the Canadian Government to uphold it'd own bill's of sale is the issue. The lawlessness of the Natives is the issue.

The ability of Americans to blockade Canadians on Canadian soil is the issue. The inability of the OPP to uphold the law for all is the issue.

Keep clear what is really going on here. Caledonia, you are not safe yet.

Your land is not yours yet.

Support the goals of the Alliance but be ready to support the efforts of the Caledonia Resistance.

Gentlepeople,

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for your continuing efforts to bring forward the "non-native" point of view. All too often it seems that the views, needs and rights of the "silent majority" are being forgotten during this issue.

I truly hope that it does not come down to the point where the non-natives must take a page out the hands of all the other "special interest groups" including the natives, but also so many other "squeaky wheels" that our spineless, politically correct politicians buckle under to, and start making noise, and lots of it, to achieve what is truly our right and end this illegal childish nonsense that the natives are getting away with.

I wonder if the county coffers would suffer if those of us that would like to have our properties re-assessed to now current value actually got our wish. Perhaps my thought is overly rhetorical. Others have written far more eloquent letters than I could ever hope to suggesting we seek other sources of police services etc. which is perhaps a good idea but we must remember as the writer noted that the front line officers are only following orders of a misguided and timid hierarchy.

If there is any silver lining to this whole mess it is that hopefully there will never again in this community be an election won because the populace was too complacent to research the candidates and their track record. Suffice to say that the likelihood of any of the current politicians in this area being re-elected is extremely remote.

I feel I should vent before I reach the point of snapping...I cannot say the same for others being held hostage by the lawless terrorists. First of all, I have been patient and tried to be understanding, but now I cannot stand by while the garbage continues to spew from both the Native occupation or the Canadian Gov't. The native protestors have destroyed any ounce of compassion I had for their situation. The bridge on Sterling St..burnt by the natives for what reason, and coincidentally the gov't forks out handfuls of cash to reconstruct it. (my tax dollars). The blockade on the # 6 bypass which I may add is public property, throwing a vehicle over the side and setting it on fire along with gas and tires..(that's the way you cherish and protect the environment?) On that note, there were clear pictures of the culprits in the paper..are they not going to be arrested.. I know if it was me, I'd be doing some time right now in prison or a psychiatric ward. How about the dumping of loads of gravel onto the public highway and more burning of tires..again there were pictures of the action taking place, license plates, signs on the trucks, nobody saw this? No accountability!! As for the great minds and integrity of the elected politicians, useless and incompetent.. but hey just wait they'll want to give themselves a hefty raise for a job well done.. it sickens me. I did have the opportunity to talk to Diane Finley awhile back when she was campaigning and mingling with the common folk in town here. I really thought that she was listening to what I had to say, what a waste of time that was, and there's 30 or 40 minutes of my life that I won't get back. I see David Peterson is earning his salary..if earning your salary means doing absolutley nothing, except skirting answers and maintaining that pompous smug look on his face like everyone else is beneath him. He hasn't done anything that I see worth even having his face or name in the headlines. As for Barbara MacDougall, would somebody please wake her up, she has a job to do, she appears like she just got out of bed everytime I see hear trying to justify anything she's doing. The next topic is OPP, I have some sympathy for the front line officers, because they are to follow orders from their superiors, but those superiors (Chief of Police) spineless and not upholding his oath to the citizens of Caledonia. Why doesn't someone in Ottawa ask for his resignation, they are pretty quick to jump on their own any other time. I happened to mention a few days ago as I was inconveniently rerouted out of my town again, that I think the Mackenzie Drive Detour wasn't meant for the volume of traffic and weight of vehicles that a main highway or artery supports. Something tragic is going to happen and not if, but when it does, hopefully nobody is fatally injured. Well, the tragedy struck twice now...when will someone with the authority, make a move..after someone gets killed? Again there will be no accountability as to the cause of these tragedies. (Illegal Blockade). I keep hearing the statement "we are a sovereign nation and don't fall under Canadian Law" if this the case, how come there is no problem taking the Canadian taxpayers money? Convenient. Ultimately, the only ones hurt or damaged out of this whole crock of #@*! are the good honest taxpaying citizens of Caledonia and the surrounding area. **Our hard earned tax dollars have gone** to OPP support such as fuel for the endless line of vehicles, meals, lodging, salaries etc. the building of a useless bridge on Sterling St as well as the repair of the CN tracks, the repair of the highways, both the # 6 and the bypass, salaries of those involved in the "promotional and economic recovery plan" as well as the funding to put it in place...that should help the businesses that have been permanently damaged. How about the property values in and around Caledonia, anyone forking out cash to help the taxpayers with that burden? This has become a one-sided money

funneling fiasco.. careful, don't want to upset anyone. I've had the restraint and courtesy to vent this opinion, not everyone will, and I don't want to see the outcome if someone does "snap"!

First off, thanks to this site for allowing the real thoughts and feeling of real people come to light. I've written in previously "disgusted", and I'm compelled to write again before snapping. I made a trip to the terrorist blockade today and of course I was stopped by the OPP. I was told before I even said a word, that I would have to take Mackenzie detour..I told him I wasn't going anywhere special and just wanted to know if the Terrorist Blockade was coming down today (Friday). He didn't answer my question but instead rambled on with a speech i know I've heard on TV and read in the papers "negotiations are underway and making progress.. blah, blah, blah) What the hell? Then I asked, "theoretically", what would happen if a someone was to erect a blockade or roadblock on this side of the native one to prevent anyone from coming into town from the reserve, you know to protect our women and children from potential danger. Again he went into the same speech and I saw just a touch of concern on his face, I really didn't find out but I'm assuming I'd be arrested and processed before the first piece of material hit the road. Of course we have to remember, there are two sets of rules and laws, native and other.

They stole my wheelbarrow. Can I have it back?

The police have a report. I have every confidence that they will be able to bring the culprits to justice.

We appreciate what you are doing. It is heartening to have someone on our side for a change. I attach several communications we have sent to our illustrious leaders for your information. Like most, we feel as though it has all fallen on deaf ears. I hope you can get them to listen because as each day goes by, the situation seems gets worse. Now more waffling by the protestors about the timeline for the barricade removal and today the assertion once again that "our laws do not apply to them". Unbelievable.

Let us know what else we can do to support your group.

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To: postmaster@casselsbrock.com

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Sent: Monday, May 15, 2006 9:38 PM

Subject: Re: Our Town - Caledonia

Hello Mr. Peterson. I heard you on the Roy Green show today. Thank you for your efforts. I must say that there are two points you made today that I find absolutely appalling. The first is that you called this an "inconvenience" to the Caledonia residents. This goes to the very essence of the problem. The effect this botched affair has had and will have on this community for generations continues to be underestimated by all of you. As a lifelong resident, I can tell you that the progress that has been made on relations between these two communities over the years has been thrown back 3 to 4 generations. The fact that you all allowed this mess to grow and fester as long as you did has caused irreversible damage, in my opinion. It has pitted, native against non-native, friend against friend, neighbour against neighbour and family against family. Not to mention what it has done to a vibrant, growing community and it's businesses. I didn't think it was possible for me to feel any more betrayed by our leaders. Then you make a statement that this is a bit of an "inconvenience" to the citizens. You simply highlighted for me once more where the hard-working, tax-paying citizens of this town sit on the priority list, if we are even on it at all. The second point that you made was that really the protest is on the "outskirts" of town. The point you made was that it really was not that close to many residents. Do I need you remind you that there is a JK to Grade 8 school full of 500 plus student whose playground practically adjoins the disputed land? Have you visited the playground to see how close this is? Have you smelled the clothing of the children that come home smelling of the smoke from the bonfires? I have since two of them are my children. Please, Mr. Peterson, when you go on radio to give progress reports, give us the courtesy of at least sounding like we have a stake in this whole thing.

Lastly, let me say that I really hope the Chief has not been "premature" in his estimate of when the barricades will come down. There seemed to be a bit of waffling on that today. It will really not be a good thing for this town to be disappointed in that regard. False hope is not something this weary town can handle much more of.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2006 10:24 PM

Subject: Re: Our Town - Caledonia

Hello everyone. Well another week has passed. I continue to wake up in a town that is no longer mine. The fine citizens of Caledonia are now faced with an additional blockade, risk of injury from falling

objects on the overpass and propaganda spray painted on public property. My children whose school abuts the land continue to breathe in the fumes from whatever is being burnt on a daily basis whenever they are allowed out for recess.

I just received by Notice of Assessment today from CRA. I paid a total of \$_____in federal and provincial income taxes in 2005. I just read the questions and responses from the Ontario Legislature yesterday. I must say the exchange did not leave me feeling confident that I am getting my money's worth. A bit frightening that the Hon. David Ramsay was not aware of the further escalation of the situation.

Patience is one thing. Abandoning the citizens of this great town is another.

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Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 7:20 PM

Subject: Our Town - Caledonia

I have not been compelled to write to any of you until now. The reason I haven't is that at the end of each day I go to bed thinking "tomorrow will be the day that someone comes to their senses and puts an end to this mess". And every day I wake up to see our town still in shambles, with police officers posted at the entrances, one of our major accesses blocked and our friends and neighbours walking around in shocked disbelief at what has and continues to transpire here.

My husband and I were born and raised in this town. Our parents and grandparents were born and raised in Haldimand County. I love my town. I love my county. I love my province and I love my Country. I am sickened and heart-broken by what has gone on here over the past few months. We have been completely and totally abandoned by our leaders. Caledonia is not "open for business". Haldimand County is not "open for business". What are you people seeing when you make those types of observations? Caledonia is hurting. Haldimand County is hurting. The Hennings and their families are hurting. The other contractors are hurting. The trades that work for the Hennings are hurting. The shop owners and restaurants in this town and the surrounding area are hurting. Our very souls are hurting. We need our town back.

I cannot begin to understand the complexities of this dispute. What I do understand and what my parents taught me very well, is the difference between right and wrong. It is right to stand up for what you believe in. It is wrong to run through the streets of my town as a masked person with weapons in hand, terrorizing the citizens. I was up close and personal with these "peaceful protestors" near my children's school the morning of the raid. For the first time in my life I truly feared for my safety as the police stood by and watched. In my town? My Canada? Couldn't be. It is right to sit down and work toward resolution on a given issue. It is wrong to burn tires in the middle of a residential area near my children's school. It is right to defend yourself. It is wrong to attack our provincial police vehicles with clubs and sticks. It is right to try and correct past injustices. It is wrong to hold pillars of the community like the Hennings hostage while you do it. It is right to have tolerance. It is wrong to turn a blind eye to outright, unlawful, illegal behaviour because the perpetrators have a "cause".

We deserve better. As law-abiding, tax paying, solid contributors to society, the people of Caledonia deserve better. So by all means, work with the natives to resolve their issues. They are certainly entitled to that. But give us back our town. Open the road, disburse the protestors, block off the land

completely if you must until you reach a solution, but for heaven's sake, give us back some sense of calm and normalcy. Caledonia open for business? Perhaps that is true for the natives who are free to come and go as they please from the blockade but for the rest of us, it is far from business as usual. Is there anyone out there that thinks the citizens of Caledonia have rights too? If there is, it would be nice if they would step forward because from this vantage point, it would appear we are all alone.

Sincerely,

Please see sections of the Criminal Code of Canada below. I have highlighted the key points and illustrated in red the way the native protesters have breached these laws and need to be held accountable.

PART I - GENERAL

38. (1) Every one who is in peaceable possession of personal property, and every one lawfully assisting him, is justified

(a) in preventing a trespasser from taking it, or

(b) in taking it from a trespasser who has taken it,

if he does not strike or cause bodily harm to the trespasser .

2) Where a person who is in peaceable possession of personal property lays hands on it, a trespasser who persists in attempting to keep it or take it from him or from any one lawfully assisting him shall be deemed to commit an assault without justification or provocation.

39. (1) Every one who is in peaceable possession of personal property under a claim of right, and every one acting under his authority, is protected from criminal responsibility for defending that possession, even against a person entitled by law to possession of it, if he uses no more force than is necessary.

41. (1) Every one who is in peaceable possession of a dwelling-house or real property, and every one lawfully assisting him or acting under his authority, is justified in using force to prevent any person from trespassing on the dwelling-house or real property, or to remove a trespasser there from, if he uses no more force than is necessary.

(2) A trespasser who resists an attempt by a person who is in peaceable possession of a dwelling-house or real property, or a person lawfully assisting him or acting under his authority to prevent his entry or to remove him, shall be deemed to commit an assault without justification or provocation.

According to the Criminal Code of Canada, the Developers and Builders who own titled deed to the land in Douglas Creek Estates have every right to legally go in with those who are "lawfully assisting them" and "remove the trespasser"

PART II – OFFENCES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER

Treason and other Offences against the Queen's Authority and Person

46. (2) Every one commits treason who, in Canada,

(a) uses force or violence for the purpose of overthrowing the government of Canada or a province;

(b) without lawful authority, communicates or makes available to an agent of a state other than Canada, military or scientific information or any sketch, plan, model, article, note or document of a military or scientific character that he knows or ought to know may be used by that state for a purpose prejudicial to the safety or defence of Canada;

(c) conspires with any person to commit high treason or to do anything mentioned in paragraph (a);

(d) forms an intention to do anything that is high treason or that is mentioned in paragraph (a) and manifests that intention by an overt act; or

(e) conspires with any person to do anything mentioned in paragraph (b) or forms an intention to do anything mentioned in paragraph (b) and manifests that intention by an overt act.

Treason is defined as the use of force or violence for the purpose of overthrowing the Government or a province, the natives are using force to control and manipulate the actions of the federal and provincial

governments, and it's working!

UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLIES AND RIOTS

63. (1) An unlawful assembly is an assembly of three or more persons who, with intent to carry out any common purpose, assemble in such a manner or so conduct themselves when they are assembled as to cause persons in the neighbourhood of the assembly to fear, on reasonable grounds, that they

(a) will disturb the peace tumultuously; or

(b) will by that assembly needlessly and without reasonable cause provoke other persons to disturb the peace tumultuously.

The people in Caledonia have feared the native warriors and the actions that they have taken. And rightly so, army fatigues, clubs and crowbars to not denote a "peaceful protest."

FORCIBLE ENTRY AND DETAINER

72. (1) A person commits forcible entry when that person enters real property that is in the actual and peaceable possession of another in a manner that is likely to cause a breach of the peace or reasonable apprehension of a breach of the peace

(1.1) For the purposes of subsection (1), it is immaterial whether or not a person is entitled to enter the real property or whether or not that person has any intention of taking possession of the real property.

(2) A person commits forcible detainer when, being in actual possession of real property without colour of right, he detains it in a manner that is likely to cause a breach of the peace or reasonable apprehension of a breach of the peace, against a person who is entitled by law to possession of it.

No comment needed!

PART IX - OFFENCES AGAINST RIGHTS OF PROPERTY

THEFT

322. (1) Every one commits theft who fraudulently and without colour of right takes, or fraudulently and without colour of right converts to his use or to the use of another person, anything, whether animate or inanimate, with intent

(a) to deprive, temporarily or absolutely, the owner of it, or a person who has a special property or interest in it, of the thing or of his property or interest in it;

(b) to pledge it or deposit it as security;

(c) to part with it under a condition with respect to its return that the person who parts with it may be unable to perform; or

(d) to deal with it in such a manner that it cannot be restored in the condition in which it was at the time it was taken or converted.

Clyde Powless stated on national television that they "borrowed" the archeology reports.

348. (1) Every one who

(a) breaks and enters a place with intent to commit an indictable offence therein,

(b) breaks and enters a place and commits an indictable offence therein, or

(c) breaks out of a place after

- (i) committing an indictable offence therein, or
- (ii) entering the place with intent to commit an indictable offence therein, is guilty

(d) if the offence is committed in relation to a dwelling-house, of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for life, and

(e) if the offence is committed in relation to a place other than a dwelling-house, of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years or of an offence punishable on summary conviction .

350. For the purposes of sections 348 and 349,

(a) a person enters as soon as any part of his body or any part of an instrument that he uses is within any thing that is being entered; and

(b) a person shall be deemed to have broken and entered if

(i) he obtained entrance by a threat or an artifice or by collusion with a person within, or

(ii) he entered without lawful justification or excuse, the proof of which lies on him, by a permanent or temporary opening.

In order to "borrow" the reports, the natives would have had to illegally enter Henco's office. In fact, it is once again documented on video tape people entering and leaving the homes on Douglas Creek Estates

361. (1) A false pretence is a representation of a matter of fact either present or past, made by words or otherwise, that is known by the person who makes it to be false and that is made with a fraudulent intent to induce the person to whom it is made to act on it.

Hazel Hill stated that the land of Douglas Creek Estates is a native burial ground. As evidenced by the archeology report (which the native have in their possession) this is not true! In fact, the company who wrote the report stated publicly that no bodies were found on the land.

372. (1) Every one who, with intent to injure or alarm any person, conveys or causes or procures to be conveyed by letter, telegram, telephone, cable, radio or otherwise information that he knows is false is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years.

2) Every one who, with intent to alarm or annoy any person, makes any indecent telephone call to that person is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction .

3) Every one who, without lawful excuse and with intent to harass any person, makes or causes to be made repeated telephone calls to that person is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction

Some of the builders have received suspicious and even threatening telephone calls. This is fact as they will testify to it.

PART XI – WILFUL AND FORBIDDEN ACTS IN RESPECT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

430. (1) Every one commits mischief who willfully

(a) destroys or damages property;

(b) renders property dangerous, useless, inoperative or ineffective;

(c) obstructs, interrupts or interferes with the lawful use, enjoyment or operation of property; or

(d) obstructs, interrupts or interferes with any person in the lawful use, enjoyment or operation of property.

(1.1) Every one commits mischief who willfully

(a) destroys or alters data;

(b) renders data meaningless, useless or ineffective;

(c) obstructs, interrupts or interferes with the lawful use of data; or

(d) obstructs, interrupts or interferes with any person in the lawful use of data or denies access to data to any person who is entitled to access thereto.

Various houses and articles on Douglas Creek Estates have been damaged, this is fact. The Henning's legally are allowed to access the data in their office as mandated by the law!

434. Every person who intentionally or recklessly causes damage by fire or explosion to property that is not wholly owned by that person is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding fourteen years.

436.1 Every person who possesses any incendiary material, incendiary device or explosive substance for the purpose of committing an offence under any of sections 433 to 436 is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years.

The burning tires in the middle of Argyle street and the bridge that was burnt are both cases of arson and are a criminal offense! (They are documented on videotape as well)

These laws are taken directly from the Criminal Code of Canada. Why are these laws not being upheld by the governing and policing authorities in this community and country?

Congratulations to all levels of our Government for letting the terrorists in Caledonia continue to block our PUBLIC roads paid for by tax paying citizens. This limp wisted approach to dealing with these Natives proves to all other Countries that a minority group can walk in and take over whatever they please and our Government will DEAL WITH OR NEGOTIATE with said terrorists. On Tuesday afternoon there was a major accident on the DETOUR road around this group of terrorists. This DETOUR road is not meant for heavy traffic, it is a narrow back road with no shoulders on the sides that could be used as an escape route to avoid an accident. At the moment both people are in serious condition. Could this have been avoided if our publicly funded roads were open, I'm not sure, but it has happened. I'm sure this won't weigh heavily on any ones conscious in Parliament should one of the accident victims succumb to their injuries as our Government could care less what happens in the small town of Caledonia. I am sure both accident victims will be suing the Government over this issue. You just don't get it, publicly funded roads blocked and a development company on the verge of bankruptcy because YOU let them continue to occupy this territory. Natives are given billions every year, they pay NO taxes and yet you continue to NEGOTIATE. To top it off you have a couple of has been Government officials in there to do the "NEGOTIATING". I'm fuming mad and upset with this Government on the handling of this crisis.

If the Natives are PAID off or given this piece of property, that tells me that I am living on Native soil. I would demand a refund on my taxes paid since 1992 when I bought my first house in Caledonia and I also will refuse to pay local, municipal and federal taxes. I am seeking legal council on this issue as how to deal with it appropriately and I will forward all my information to any and everyone in Caledonia. YOU are not looking after the CANADIAN citizens who have entrusted you to protect them from this type of illegal activity.