I agree that this group gets too much attention, I would like to hear the proposal, limit the focus to the potential properties and move on. I think we should have been better prepared for the emergency but that's my fault in acting quickly.

No offense taken although there is a bet that I will be ripped in a certain column for my actions on this.

Mick

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Subject: Chris Bendon and other stuff

Mick

I don't mean to offend but I may. I need to get this off my chest.

1. I watched a portion of the Ord. 30 meeting I missed. It was my impression and confirmed by Chris that his frustration came because he was given direction by council to come up w/ a complete inventory of all properties in town and you insisted that they were told to do it in a particular way (30-50 first). Chris does not remember this and I don't remember this direction either. I definitely don't remember giving that direction.

I think his frustration and upset came because he came up w/ a plan to do what council wanted and then was chastised, yelled at (however we want to put it) for not doing it some other way.

He deserves a public TV apology as that was the forum the slight took place in.

2. There were what 12 people in that meeting? They are going to determine how this council acts on behalf of everyone else and for the future? Why are we giving them so much power? We have now attempted to do everything they've asked for and still they aren't satisfied. They can't be satisfied and I don't think we should attempt to.

3. I don't think we should change how we are acting on behalf of the many simply because a few threaten to sue. If we want to make changes to the ordinance, then let's do so but not out of fear of a silly lawsuit threat. We get threatened all the time and cannot act out of fear.

4. Let's not make our staff scapegoats or expect them to produce a great deal of work in a week or two simply because we feel pushed by a handful of citizens. It's simply