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As an owner of some of the land this committee is discussing, I'm assuming I was unintentionally left out of the conversation. Ben DeBoer and I share partial last names and I love him dearly but our takes on this discussion may be quite different. He is the major land owner, but I'm assuming you are interested in the whole property.

While I'm interested in hearing the ideas, after last summer, I am hesitant to sign off on any agreement with the City of Gustavus. When I wished to access my own beach property, the then mayor informed me I "Absolutely COULD NOT" use the access spot as laid out in a mutually signed agreement. I was fully willing to work with the city on another plan but to hear that the already agreed upon in writing arrangement was out of the question, was shocking.

I now fear the legal fees I'll incur prior to signing plus legal fees to later defend that agreement, would be more than any benefit I could expect from the City.

I don't want the committee members to go too far into this if there is little chance of agreement on my part. I'm only recently even finding out about this and only briefly scanned some of the dialogue so I'm not completely ruling it out as I haven't had the opportunity to fully understand the plan, but I am extremely hesitant.

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