

ATTENTION AFTON RESIDENTS

Dear Mr. Town Supervisor,

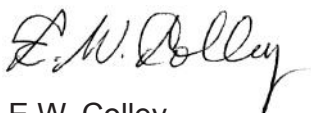
In response to your tyrannical tirade at the September Afton Town Board meeting held on 9/11/25, it is my belief the fact that you cannot accept any challenge to your leadership. This resistance is caused by your total disregard of the Afton Town Laws, NY State FOIL laws, NYS Open Meeting Laws, and NYS Public Offices Law. With these facts your tirade is an attempt to silence our residents, which I believe violates the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America right to freedom of speech. The tone of your comments are vial, ill tempered and hateful at best.

Algerine Street runs almost three (3) miles of residential homes along the entire three (3) miles. There are zero (0) commercial properties along the entire three (3) miles. By granting a commerical property it will set a dangerous precedent, opening the door for other commercial properties to follow. Any commercial property will alter the historical, traditional characteristics of a residential road.

By continuing with this plan, if enacted, it will be harmful to the residents of not only Algerine Street but any other residential area. This will result in an 18% loss of value to each property owner. Possibly lowering assessment values, hurting the property taxes for the Town and County. The only truly reliable revenue to the Town of Afton.

It is obvious that your inability to attract meaningful business and/or jobs to benefit the community in commercial zoned area has failed. When your plan was made to start this change of zoning in November 2024 it was not made public. Only an accidental overheard conversation brought this to light to the general property owners and not until the middle March of 2025. Until this plan was revealed it became obvious that your attempt to keep it from the public with the cloak of secrecy has failed.

Understand the days of politics as usual in town meetings not being posted properly resulting in low attendance at meetings, back room politics, and failure to keep the public informed in a timely manner will end.



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