

# **Is Warfield council acceding to global governance?**

## **TRAIL TIMES' Letter from Thorpe Watson, Warfield**

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Is the Warfield council acceding to global governance?

I wish to applaud Robin Siddall for his letter entitled “Looking for the right to pursue life, liberty and happiness” (Trail Times, 26 Nov, 2020).

It appears that the Warfield council is not only exceeding its mandate, it is also lacking the knowledge and skills required to assess the “Energy Plan” and “Food Charter”.

For example, the Plan and Charter present conflicting goals.

Under the Charter, the Warfield greenhouses will require CO2 emissions but the Plan wants to reach zero emissions by 2050.

Furthermore, farming requires considerable knowledge and skills, and is not a simple matter of placing a seed in the ground, a common urban misperception.

The Energy Plan is based on a scientific fraud that vilifies carbon dioxide (“CO2”), the gas of life.

With reduced CO2 levels, the planet will become a dead planet devoid of plant and animal life.

We cannot generate too much CO2, nor can we generate enough CO2 to replenish our CO2-starved atmosphere.

Contrary to climate-change propaganda, CO2 does not give us the power to control the climate.

However, CO2 is required to green the planet, thereby enabling food production.

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The above letter can be found at <https://www.trailtimes.ca/letters/is-warfield-council-acceding-to-global-governance/>

# Looking for the right to pursue life, liberty and happiness in Warfield

Letter to the Editor from Robin Siddall of Warfield

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To some local town councils and the residents of Warfield:

What I am looking for in village governance is the right to pursue what I consider life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

What I am NOT looking for are rough roads and deteriorating infrastructure.

So it puzzles me greatly why the village council feels it has the time, the duty and especially the taxpayer money to tell me what vehicle I should be driving, what heating fuel I should be using and how to grow my own food supply.

Why council feels it must be involved in the “West Kootenay 100% Renewable Energy Plan” along with “The Village of Warfield Food Charter” is totally beyond me.

To those in the village who might not be aware, the “Plan” is the path laid out for how the Village of Warfield will reach net zero CO2 emissions by 2050.

The Charter is, and I quote, “The Village of Warfield will be food secure by 2050. ALL members of our community will have access to enough nutritious, affordable, safe, ecologically sustainable and culturally appropriate food at all times.”

I hope that council has much better things to do than focus on these issues.

Regarding the Food Charter, I have to point out to council that I have no interest in farming in my backyard nor in any “public” spaces.

And to emphasize the point, I don't care what “culturally appropriate food” is let alone wanting to grow it.

Are Ferraros, Safeway and Walmart (the primary local food suppliers) not to be relied upon as sources of a nutritious, affordable and safe food supply?

My main problem though is with the Renewable Energy Plan (costs and benefits conveniently undefined but guessable).

I can see absolutely no value in council wanting to be involved in reducing CO2 emissions other than being conveniently diverted from the difficult “real” business of running the village, I can understand council being concerned about “the health, economic well-being, and safety of community members” (quote from the Plan) but I see no way in which getting involved with renewables in order to reduce CO2 emissions addresses these concerns.

My health would be much better addressed by a good water supply and a functioning sewer system.

My safety would be much better addressed by adequate roads, crosswalks and traffic control.

And my economic well-being would be much better addressed by letting more appropriate authorities worry about emissions.

Council was elected to focus on village issues but emissions and food supply are not village issues.

If council and staff, whom I thought were tasked with “running the village”, can find the time, and taxpayer dollars, to focus on emissions and food supply then I would suggest that this administration is

overstaffed.

In the next election, I plan to be voting for folks who do understand the priorities of our small community.

But for those village residents who don't mind facing the additional costs of replacing your vehicles and your natural gas heating with "all electric" and of purchasing farm implements for your backyard, then perhaps you are okay with this council.

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