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Comments:

I would like to raise two considerations for the Scandia City Council.

ONE: There are a LOT of Scandia residents who DO NOT want a gravel pit at the Zavoral site.

If the City Council decides to proceed with allowing the pit to open, be assured that there will be many residents who will take it as a personal responsibility to assure that you will not be re-elected or elected to a local political responsibility in our community. You will have gained large numbers of local citizens who will take this as a personal affront to their enjoyment of living in this community and as an abdication of your elected responsibility to listen to their concerns and act in their behalf.

If the City Council decides to NOT allow this pit to open, there will be a small number of local residents who will wonder why you made such a decision. Many local citizens will congratulate you on your wisdom and courage and your standing in the community will increase greatly.

TWO: The courts will rule that a gravel pit is justified at the Zavoral site.

I have heard an opinion expressed that, IF the City Council proceeds to NOT allow this pit to open, Tiller corporation will ask the courts to overrule the council decision. This could happen. As our community leaders, you will have gone on record that the community does NOT want a gravel pit at the Zavoral site, as indicated strongly in the now effective Comprehensive Plan. There is no reason why this path is not the prudent way to handle this matter.

It will be a lot easier to justify a decision made by listening to your constituents, than to explain why you did not listen.

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