Dear Mayor Nuss, Deputy Mayor DeBoer & Committeeman Gaechter:

I formally request that you call for an immediate appeal of Judge Bozonelis' 5/14/10 decision to a higher court as it not only affects, impacts, limits and constrains the power of ALL New Jersey local municipalities, but it also places a precedent setting and perpetual tax burden on ALL New Jersey taxpayers for repair and maintenance of privately owned property.

Per the New Jersey State Legislature and the NJDEP Dam Safety Bureau, a municipality is NOT obligated to co-sign an NJDEP dam rehabilitation loan application for a private dam owner.

The co-signature of a municipality is merely a loan application requirement of the private dam owner who is applying for a dam rehabilitation loan through the NJDEP in order for that private dam owner to be eligible to submit an application.

As with ANY loan, a party who is not credit worthy and who does not have the means to repay a loan on their own is required to have a co-signer.

NO individual or municipality can ever be forced to be a co-signer on any loan, that is, unless you do not appeal this decision.

If YOU do not appeal Judge Bozonelis' decision to a higher court, YOU will be condoning an arbitrary decision based on misinterpretation of the NJDEP dam rehabilitation loan application process based on misinformation provided to Judge Bozonelis' by FOLN via their attorney. It is true that this law has never been challenged until now. Now it has been challenged and a precedent setting and egregious decision has been made against not only Wantage Township but against the entire State of New Jersey.

Please do the right thing and appeal this decision.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Full Name (Print)
Address (Print)
Signature
Date