

Good afternoon Cheryl. I own an 18 lot seasonal sub-division called Ocean Vista Drive about 1 KM past the French School in Rustico. Since there is direct access off the Dept. of Highways owned Church Road the two homes (mine included) that are located there are year round. All the lots have underground service including water, electrical, cable, internet and telephone. Waste watch has proposed an increase of 5-13 % in rates. I oppose the increase as it stands on two issues. Waste watch received a rate increase last January so why does it want up to 13% increase when inflation is running about 5%? Why are the rate increases not restricted to the current inflation rate? The other issue is the 13% rate proposed for seasonal sub-divisions. Why? In addition to the underground services I also put in the roadway which has a 14 inch base of shale, crushed asphalt and gravel. My point is this all cost a pile of money and none of it came from the PEI Government. Besides this the Dept of Highways provides absolutely no services including no snow removal or other road maintenance. However the property taxes continue to go up but not over 5%. I am definitely opposed to the 13% increase for seasonal sub-divisions as there is no logical reason for it that I can see. For those seasonal sub-divisions that are only used 6 months or less during the year I assume PEI Waste Watch is getting a year round rate but only providing a 6 month service. On a more personal note I always take my waste to a waste watch depot as the waste watch containers are a substantial eye sore especially when they are left lying on their sides plus there always seems to be debris lying nearby. Anyway that is my choice even though I have to pay my waste watch fee as it comes with my property tax bill. I thank you for your attention to my remarks.

Kind Regards, John Brewer.