

Dear Tracy,

I note the continued debate on legal action between Mr Arsene and Dr Sedergreen which Mr Arsene wishes to perpetuate in his comments on the matter, as well as those comments from Ms Leah Weinberg. All highly regrettable and I believe misleading to the residents of Anmore.

1) Both suggest that Dr Sedergreen's legal action towards Mr Arsene as an attempt to intimidate public debate. Reading both lawyers letters, which Mr Arsene has kindly submitted, I don't see anything suggesting limiting his rights as a citizen to question any council member. What I do read is that he was being warned about being defamatory. That is not the same thing.

2) What I do note is Mr Arsene's relentless attacks on Councillor Sedergreen and Piamonte for doing what I believe to be their job. That is, manage our affairs responsibly. Mr Arsene has in the past tried to suggest Councillor Piamonte's volunteer work in our fire department might question his eligibility to sit as a Councillor and recently he has tried to embarrass Councillor Sedergreen by demanding an apology for what might have been Councillor Sedergreen's ability to uncover the truth.

I stand by my question to the Editor. Should you, as a Community Paper be unbiased and avoid sensationalist journalism. I would also ask the following questions in a rhetorical way;

a) Who advised Mayor Trasolini of the comments made by Councillor Sedergreen? Do we have a mole in our village? If so, that would be against the interests of the Community of Anmore. Let Port Moody do its own investigative work without having a mole in our midst who may be more interested in damaging an individual than looking after the interests of the Community.

b) Are we as a Community, really at risk of any legal action by Port Moody? Does not Parliamentary Privilege extend to all our Councillors when they express an opinion in Council Meetings? Is the threat of legal action and possible subsequent costs being borne by the Village not just 'fear mongering' in an attempt to discredit Councillor Sedergreen?

c) Is all this nonsense not just a red herring to steer people away from the REAL issues which I see as an actual and real liability of the village for the failed Renewable Energy project and the possible liability of the village for any day care centre that could fail in the future? If you are in the business of undertaking investigative journalism, then do it right now. Please do us all a service and inform your readers about Anmore's real liability in regard of the above issues.

I stand by my comments; I believe the Anmore Times have presented a biased view of events with sensationalist journalism. Considering that we, as tax payers, are funding the Anmore Times, I am not happy that my taxpayer's money is being (further) wasted by funding a politically one-sided paper. As Mr Arsene points out, we are all entitled to an opinion. But you do not have to pay for me to have an opinion and I certainly don't want to pay for a one sided political publication that does not represent my side of the equation. The right thing for the Anmore Times to do would be to repay the Village it's funding of the publication and then they can hold whatever opinion you wish.

Frieda Robertson

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