Comments from Paul Purdy at 709 Woods Edge Rd:

I have attached the by-law infractions made by our neighbour, as well as how it impacts my family.

By-law NO. 17.12 part 2.2 (c)

(c) Recreational open air burning shall be confined to non-combustible containers or a pit no larger than two (2) feet (60 centimetres) by two (2) feet (60 centimetres) in size.

My next door neighbour has a large fire pit that they use to burn all sorts of material. It is much larger than the 2x2 described in the bi-law. This impacts my family as there is a lot of smoke from having huge fires and throwing stuff that should not be burnt due to toxicity.

Building By-law NO 4.22

Any yard other than a required yard on a lot occupied by a hotel or club and located within any zone other than a residential zone, provided that the swimming pool or hot tub, or related walls, deck, or exterior walkways are not closer than 1 m to any lot line.

Our neighbour has poured concrete around the pool right up to the fence line. No set back of 1 meter. It is pushing the fence and gravel is coming out under the fence on our side.

The deck is attached to the fence separating our properties violating the 1 meter from property line bi-law.

A bar has been built right up against the property line fence, again violating the 1 meter from property line bi-law.

This affects my family as people are constantly hanging over the fence and staring in our windows. They also hang over the fence and tease my dogs. Beer cans and cigarette butts often end up falling off and over the fence as it is at a height that allows people on the deck to lean on the top rail.

Equipment Location:

No water circulating or treatment equipment, such as pumps or filters, shall be located closer than 3m to any side lot line or 1m to any rear lot line. Where a rear lot line abuts a side lot line the required setback shall be 3m. This regulation does not apply where the circulating or treatment equipment is entirely located within an enclosed structure.

Our neighbour does not have it enclosed and it does not abide by the above bi-law.

This impacts my family as the heater is very noisy and can be heard from inside our home.

Environmental concern:

Our neighbour has also installed a flush toilet in the backyard, with human waste being flushed into a barrel with rocks in it that was buried beneath it in the backyard. It is not attached to any sewer system, so it therefore leaches into the ground to be disposed of. He was told to remove it during a house inspection as he is selling, but he has no plans to do so.

This has impacted my family by having next to nothing growing in our garden, which is located beside the "toilet" as the soil was contaminated by the concrete pour for the pool deck and human waste. After learning what was going on, we were not able to eat anything that actually grew.

According to By-law 07-22:

- 4.1 No Person shall Place or Dump Fill or cause or permit the Placing or Dumping of Fill without obtaining a Permit for such purpose from the Municipality
- 4.3 No Person shall alter the Grade of land or cause or permit the Grade of the land to be altered without obtaining a Permit for such purpose from the Municipality.
- 4.4 No Person shall Place or Dump Fill, cause or permit the Placing or Dumping of Fill, remove Soil, alter the Grade of land, or cause or permit the Grade of the land to be altered in a manner that is not in compliance with the terms of a Permit issued for such purpose by the Municipality.
- "Any alterations to the grade must conform to the requirements of the Municipality and must pose no impact to the overall drainage patterns in the area."

Since our neighbour has built up the grading on his side of the fence and along the back of the shed it has impeded the flow to the storm drain located behind him where the runoff from our lots are supposed to collect. We have experienced flooding on our side. The concrete pool deck varies from 8 to 16 inches above the original grade and forces all the water run off from his side of the fence onto our property causing a lot of erosion that I have tried to fix several times to no avail.

I would also like to mention that the deck is attached to the fence and the fence was not made to support the extra weight.









