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Colin Grantham
Active 1h ago

JUL 16, 2024 AT 6:14 AM

Hi. It's Colin Grantham
I saw your post. My cell is 519 719 5948. Please call me

You can now message and call each other and see info like active status and when you have read messages.

JUL 16, 2024 AT 9:53 AM

Hi. Thank you for reaching out. I have left a message but I have photos I would like to show you so you have an idea what's happening.

In 2014 there was a person canoeing down the street in front of my house. That's cute and funny until 2019 when the water got so bad it started seeping into my basement. We had to have all the floors replaced - we still don't know the full damage behind the wall. I have a small child and I am concerned about the mould.

A home inspector told us the most vulnerable spot of the home is horizontal line where the foundation meets the brick.

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Due to the extensive water that is constantly around my home in the spring and fall - my home has started to sink into the ground - so the front of my house - the foundation has sunk so low into the ground the brick line is at ground level- so now the water is constantly being sent to the most vulnerable spot on my home. I will include photos of one side of my house - where the foundation/brick line is closer to the height it's supposed to be at- as well as a photo of the front of my home where you can't see any foundation at all because it's all sunk underground.

This is a known issue by the city.

In 2019 I was told by Brad Dausett that a drain was being installed in the spring of 2020.
This did not happen.

I have been in contact with the city numerous times since then who gave me many excuses for the delay- mostly around funding and covid.

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Yesterday I received an email from Walter Easter who was kind enough to explain to me how rain works when a lot comes down at the same time.

I'm more concerned at the fact that my house is sinking and taking on water because there is not proper drainage on my street.

He went on to say that they have allocated budget this year to DESIGN the solution for beech street. - But can someone please explain to me how we are paying for a new design to be created when there was already a paid-for and approved design they were going to install in 2020?

Transparently - I am finding out the full cost associated with raising my house and repairing the foundation. Because of my documented history of informing the city of the problem- I am also seeking legal advice as to who should be responsible for the cost of this repair.

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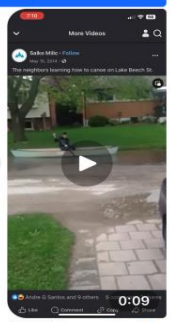
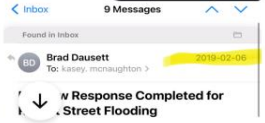
Colin Grantham

Regardless of what has already happened - the city needs to prevent future damages. I know my house is not the only one effected and due to my post on Facebook I have found a lot more people in the same situation as me. I'm confident that we can work together as a community of tax payers to hold the city accountable for their negligence on Beech St. Please see photos and video below





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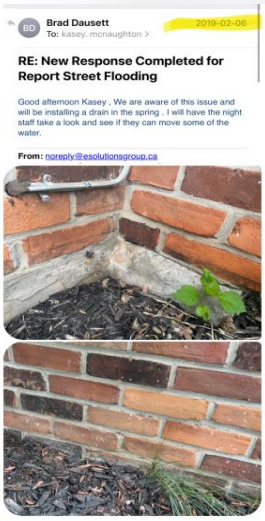

JUL 17, 2024 AT 3:44 PM

Kasey. Just want to let you know I have asked Walter for a response
I will stay on it

JUL 17, 2024 AT 5:05 PM

He follow up with me this morning. Said there was never

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JUL 17, 2024 AT 5:05 PM

He followed up with me this morning. Said there was never money allocated to a design for Beech st. Says he can't speak to why Brad said there would be work starting in Spring of 2020 - he said he spoke to the treasurer.

Has there also been a change in treasurer since Brad left? I'm finding it hard to believe that Brad was declaring work was being done when not a single plan was drawn up or approved.

That doesn't sound true.

But Brad has retired so there is nothing I can do about it.

So- what I know is that the city has been aware of the issue for at least 10 years. A whole decade. And not one dollar was put into planning a solution.

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This is absolutely unacceptable. 10 years?? Not a single thing done??

JUL 17, 2024 AT 8:48 PM

Can I call you tomorrow
What is your number

519-245-8802 x241
I'll be there from 8am-6pm

Thank you

Ok

JUL 18, 2024 AT 12:06 PM

Kasey. I can confirm that we put $75,000 in this years budget to redesign your street
I thought so but needed to check
That is a big step

FEB 25 AT 4:32 PM

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FEB 25 AT 4:32 PM

Who can I speak to about the continued water issues on Beech St? The cement pad in my car port is sinking ... like the rest of my house!!!!

It looks like an earthquake split it in half - its water damage from the run off on Beech street 😩 it's hard enough to afford to live - now I have to worry about my house crumbling down around me

FEB 25 AT 9:27 PM

Hmmm. Thanks [illegible]aching out and sorry about th[illegible]

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FEB 25 AT 9:27 PM

Hmmm. Thanks for reaching out and sorry about this
I looked at our last exchange and see that $$ was set aside to redesign your street
I will pass this on to our nee Director
May I have your email so that I cc you

FEB 25 AT 11:28 PM

Thank you it's Kasey.mcnaughton@gmail.com

APR 4 AT 12:16 PM

I feel like I need to update you- my foundation has finally cracked and my basement is flooding. I'm devastated. I've been reaching out since 2019 to have this fixed 😢

I will have to pay to fix it up front. But what is the process to be reimbursed by the city? I don't think I should have to go into debt to fix something that was a known issue for 6 years.

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APR 4 AT 12:37 PM

Fun fact. Foundations guy said he won't fix it until the drainage issue is fixed because it's just going to happen again 🙂

So now I have to call a foundation support specialist who will raise the house and put in new support beams. This is going to be quite costly

APR 4 AT 1:55 PM

That is bad. I am going to push this to our new CAO

APR 4 AT 4:25 PM

Thank you. I have the foundation support people coming Monday afternoon to assess the damage and come up with a game plan. I feel like I've done everything I could possibly do to avoid this happening to our h[illegible] reached out to the city in 2019 - I was told it was going

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[illegible] and come up with a game plan. I feel like I've done everything I could possibly do to avoid this happening to our home. I reached out to the city in 2019 - I was told it was going to be fixed. That was way before this damage occurred - I continually reached out almost once a year about it - and it kept getting worse and worse. I'm simply devastated. I feel so let down by the city. I tried to have something happen to stop this from happening. I sent multiple multiple multiple emails to the city about the flooding and my sinking house. I've had many phone calls about it - but the city has done nothing except continue to tell me "there is an issue and it's being worked on" (basically)
The scope of this damage could bankrupt me. I have already contacted my home insurance - and the house "shifting" is not covered

Im just devastated. I tried to do everything I could to stop this

APR 4 AT 6:11 PM

Kasey. I have passed this on to senior staff
Can I drop by tom[illegible]row morning to have a look

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senior staff
Can I drop by tomorrow morning to have a look

Thank you. Yes you can - we are at 133 Beech st

Ok
Does 10 am work ?

Sure does- thank you

APR 16 AT 4:34 PM

Edited

Hi Colin - you had mentioned you were going to provide me with a list of city council members - (preferably with phone numbers or email addresses)
Mark and Walter were at my house today. After trying to get me to commit what seems like fraud on my own home insurance - Mark made it clear that City Council is solely responsible for approving the repair cost to my home. So now I need to speak to each member of council and get approval for the repairs

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(Foundation company gave me an estimate of over $12k)
I urgently need the work approved before the rain comes - so how do I talk to council to have this approved?
Thank you for all your help

APR 17 AT 10:44 AM

Kasey - all councillor emails are on this web page

https://www.strathroy-caradoc.ca/en/city-hall/Council.aspx

www.strathroy-caradoc.ca

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So - their email addresses are not on that page. There is a button that allows me to email -but it doesn't give me the email address. Which means I do not have a paper trail of the emails sent. That's not professional. I am facing a serious legal issue here and I have documents I need to send. I need a paper trail of this. I want the email to come from my email address. I'm outraged after the conversation with Mark yesterday blaming council - there is no accountability

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Everyone is pointing fingers at everyone else and my house is sinking and flooding and it's always someone else's fault.
This has gone on long enough. City is going to have a class action on its hands and if I have my way this will get media coverage once I get the neighbours involved. Absolutely disgusting behaviour from the city.

I am trying to help you
Rather than email — send a letter to the clerks office asking for it to be forwarded to all of council

APR 17 AT 11:44 AM

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APR 17 AT 2:50 PM

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APR 17 AT 6:28 PM

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