

Subj: **Public Hearing on June 12, 2014 - Petition should be denied**
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We will be attending the public hearing, but would like the board to have our reasons for denial on paper.

To The Town of Rutland Planning Commission and Board:

We are writing regarding the Public Hearing on June 12, 2014:

Petition 10672/CUP 2270 for the proposed rezoning and CUP for a proposed 486 feet FM radio tower in the A-2(8) zoning district.

We are residents and property owners in the Town of Rutland at 9 Shady Willow Road. In 2005, we were married and decided to each sell our homes in the Village of Oregon. We looked long and hard for the "right" property and house to raise our family in. We both fell in love with the house and property at 9 Shady Willow Rd, and so did our kids. We moved in August 2005, almost 9 years ago. It was a **huge investment for us** to purchase this property. When I say we looked long and hard, I mean we did our homework; researching surrounding property ownership, zoning, etc. to confirm there would be no surprises after we took ownership.

After such an important decision and investment for our family, we are very opposed to the change of zoning and we respectfully request that this petition be denied.

We chose our home and property in the Town of Rutland for several reasons:

- *We felt this property was a sound investment in our families future.*
 - We believe the tower will reduce the value of our property and the surrounding properties, in addition to the devaluation in recent years from the economy.
- *For the wildlife and birds which abound in this area, as well as on our property.*
 - The tower is near state and federal wildlife areas and the concern of harm to wildlife, specifically migrating birds.
- *Because of the rural setting, the added safety for our children and family.*
 - We have a concern for our family and neighbors as to the effect of radiated power from the constant exposure of the tower. Something we actively avoided in choosing a location of our new home.
- *For the quiet, undisturbed beauty of the rural setting.*
 - We believe a 500 foot structure (height of a 40+ story building) is inappropriate for the rural setting of the Town of Rutland.
- *For the quiet, undisturbed beauty of the rural setting in the evening and at night.*
 - Concern of the light pollution from the flashing lights (red or white strobe) near

our property and directly in line with the majority of windows in our home.

The community of Rutland would receive minimal, if any, benefit by the installation of the tower, which would be far outweighed by the detriments described above.

We believe it is the duty of the County and the Town to exercise their authority to protect residential areas against property devaluation and to preserve our rural agricultural community. Please protect our town and residence by denying the petition.

We request that this petition be denied.

Sincerely,
Robert and Janice Krenz Family
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