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Ms. Victoria Woodworth-Lynas
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Dear Ms. Lynas,

The Great Northern Peninsula Joint Council (GNPJC) held a meeting in St. Anthony on Saturday, January 27, 2018. One of the topics discussed was the “renewal” of Municipalities Act, July 6, 1999 (came into force January 1, 2000). Every mayor agreed it was long overdue.

The Chairman of the GNPJC will compile all concerns and thoughts regarding the entire act from our various towns. We look forward to the Public Consultations on this “important” Municipal Legislation to be held in the Spring 2018. Hawkes Bay would be an ideal site with St. Anthony as an alternate venue.

In order to meet the deadline (January 31, 2018) for providing the Town of Flowers Cove's specific comments, the following main imperative will be made, namely:-

On account of the fact that this is a Municipalities Act, ALL reference to Local Service Districts (LSD's) MUST be eliminated. In particular in Article 415, any reference by the minister to regulating LSD's ought to be eliminated. The following articles must be eliminated:-

Articles 417 & LSD's ought to be stricken from Article 420 (2).

If LSD's are to be retained by the provincial government any Legislation must be under a separate act.

Sincerely,
Keith Billard
Mayor

Cc: MHA Christopher
GNPJC