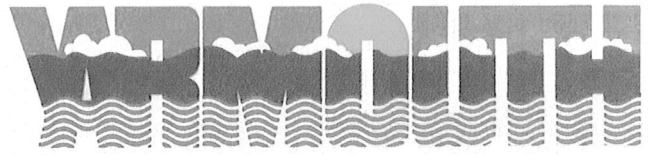
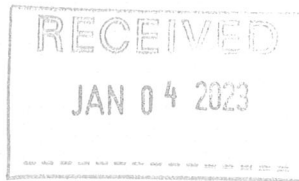


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Dear Mayor & Wardens;

Policing service concerns

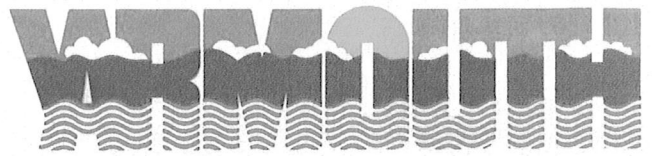
I'm writing to alert your councils of concerns I have in relation to the lack of policing support we have experienced in recent days.

On two separate occasions, over two separate days, within the same week, we have experienced incidences where intrusion alarms have been triggered on our premises, where the respective monitoring companies advised the local RCMP detachment and where in both instances the RCMP refused to respond. One of these incidents was at the Harbour South Medical on the morning of Wednesday, December 21/22, the second incident was at the Port office on Water Street on Thursday morning, December 22/22.

As the custodian and manager of these jointly owned assets, it concerns me greatly that a response from the RCMP was denied. In both instances they turned out to be false alarms, but in my view this is not relevant. We have no way of knowing they are false alarms until they are attended to. It seems to me that we would operate on a principal of prudence wherein it would be better to respond to a false alarm rather than risk not responding to a real alarm.

Consider that this is likely the operating protocol for all municipally owned properties. (Or maybe it isn't, I do not know?)

It would be understandable if this was a crime riddled jurisdiction and all RCMP resources were being consumed on other matters and calls had to be prioritized, but one can drive the streets of Yarmouth on



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any given weekday morning and clearly see that this is typically not the case, and it certainly wasn't the case during our two incidents this week.

In any event I feel it is my duty to advise you, the owners, of what I believe to be a delinquency in service delivery. I know that if I call the local RCMP management, in my capacity, I will only receive lip service and be blown off.

Perhaps with the weight of your councils, if you believe this is a serious matter, you can engage the local detachment(s) to try to determine exactly what is the level of service we are paying for, and how serious does an incident need to be to solicit an RCMP response; at least then, our expectations around RCMP service, support and protection can be deliberately reduced to the appropriate level.

Sincerely;



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Yarmouth Area Industrial Commission

Cc: YAIC Board