From: <u>Si Kinsella</u>

To: <u>Kathee Burke-Gonzalez</u>

Cc:

**Subject:** RE: Clean Drinking Water?

**Date:** Friday, September 08, 2017 6:42:00 PM

#### Kathee.

We were told that 16 wells are being monitored, so why were no wells monitored? It's a simple question. If you're serious, please answer it.

Si

**From:** Kathee Burke-Gonzalez [mailto:KBurke-Gonzalez@EHamptonNY.Gov]

**Sent:** September 08 2017 18:21

To: Si Kinsella

Cc:

**Subject:** Re: Clean Drinking Water? Si, my response was a serious reply. Given that the ESC hasn't met since March, it may be time for a meeting.

Kathee Burke-

Gonzalez

Councilwoman

Town of East

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Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Si Kinsella <<u>Si@FinkKinsella.com</u>> Date: 9/8/17 4:51 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: Kathee Burke-Gonzalez < KBurke-Gonzalez @EHamptonNY.Gov>

Cc:

Subject: Clean Drinking Water?

#### Kathee.

During the ESC meetings on Jan 6 and again on Mar 31 (with Bridget Fleming), we were told that the Town was monitoring sixteen wells in conjunction with Suffolk County (please see my list provided to you on Aug 25).

Today – eight months later – you're telling us that only one well was "apparently" installed, and that even if it was installed, it hasn't been monitored (sampled).

Even if Suffolk County is running 14 weeks behind in sampling, that doesn't account for the missing 21 weeks? (From Jan 6 until today, there are 35 weeks.)

With regards to the Town Attorney's dismissive remark, you may want to remind the Town Attorney that it's been 6 years & 2 months since legal proceedings commenced against the Wainscott Hamlet Center, LLC (docket number 11070720).

In short, I believe we deserve a serious reply to serious questions that impact our health.

Si Kinsella

**From:** Kathee Burke-Gonzalez [mailto:KBurke-Gonzalez@EHamptonNY.Gov]

**Sent:** September 08 2017 15:38

**To:** Si Kinsella

Cc:

Subject: RE: Groundwater Test Wells for Wainscott Sand and Gravel Si,

In response to your email...

# From Kim Shaw

Just spoke to the county they do not have the data for the wells yet. The well was installed apparently but not sampled according to Jason Hime. They are 14 weeks behind in sampling.

### From Town Attorney

The Santorelli decision was after six years of litigation and violations found by the DEC. We have had DEC to the Wainscott location on numerous occasions and they have not found any violations.

Kathee Burke-Gonzalez

Councilwoman

Town of East Hampton Phone: 631.324.2620

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From: Si Kinsella

**Sent:** Thursday, September 07, 2017 3:26 PM

**To:** Kathee Burke-Gonzalez < KBurke-Gonzalez @ EHamptonNY.Gov>

Cc:

**Subject:** Groundwater Test Wells for Wainscott Sand and Gravel

Importance: High

Dear Kathee,

I haven't heard back from you in reply to my email of Aug 25 (below).

My email is with regard to the test wells immediately south of the old sand and gravel pit in Wainscott.

We need to know that the water we're drinking is safe.

Can you get back to me, please?

Thank you, Si Kinsella

From: Si Kinsella

**Sent:** Friday, August 25, 2017 4:28 PM

**To:** Kathee Burke-Gonzalez < KBurke-Gonzalez @ EHamptonNY.Gov >

Cc:

Subject: Groundwater Test Wells for Wainscott Sand and Gravel

**Importance:** High Dear Kathee,

I noticed in the Southampton Press today (article attached) that –

The Suffolk County Department of Health Services has been granted full approval to install groundwater test wells at the Sand Land mine in Noyac to monitor the operation's impact.

Earlier this month, State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Santorelli ruled in favor of county officials in a lawsuit, giving them permission to install the wells on the 50-acre site off Middle Line Highway, which is operated by Wainscott Sand and Gravel.

At the Environmental Sub-Committee (ESC) meeting held on January 6<sup>th</sup> this year, you informed us that either the Town or Suffolk County were monitoring test wells immediately south of the old sand and gravel pit in Wainscott. This matter was again raised at our subsequent ESC meeting held on March 31, with Bridget Fleming and other representatives from Suffolk County. At these meetings, I noted each of the test well locations which I've listed below (I've excluded the street numbers for security reasons).

## Question 1:

Can you email me the full test results for each of these locations whenever they were tested, please?

#### Question 2:

In light of State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Santorelli ruling, is either the Town or Suffolk County going to install groundwater test wells within the old sand and gravel pit in Wainscott?

### Test Wells

Cow Hill Lane # 1 Well Location
Cow Hill Lane # 2 Well Location
Fernwood Rd # 1 Well Location
Hedges Lane # 1 Well Location
Hedges Lane # 2 Well Location
Hedges Lane # 3 Well Location
Hedges Lane # 4 Well Location
Montauk Hwy # 1 Well Location
Montauk Hwy # 2 Well Location
Montauk Hwy # 3 Well Location
Montauk Hwy # 3 Well Location
Montauk Hwy # 4 Well Location

Old Montauk Hwy # 1 Well Location
Old Montauk Hwy # 2 Well Location
Wainscott North Rd # 1 Well Location
Wainscott North Rd # 2 Well Location
Wainscott Stone Hwy # 1 Well Location

 $\underline{\mbox{Note by Si Kinsella:}} \ \mbox{See map of test wells overleaf}.$ 

The Town's Environmental Protection Director, Kim Shaw, produced the map during the January 6, 2017 ESC meeting. At the time, Town Councilwoman Kathee Burke-Gonzalez said that I could *not* have a copy of the map (but I had already taken a photograph).

