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From: Mary Burden
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Subject: Note for Public Record - Agenda "Civic Works Committee" - Mon.Apr.23,2012
Attachments: City of Calgary - Notice of Motion to Stop Fluoridation.pdf

Dear "Civic Works Committee" members:

This is regarding the fluoridation of London's drinking water. I know it's been hard to deal with this issue but you are not alone. You've heard the new facts and you know that what you've heard is probably true otherwise it would not be such a huge issue. Even though it's hard to change something that's been accepted for so long, you are not the only people being asked to make a change for the betterment of your city. Please see the email below and the attachment from the Calgary City Council concerning their reasons for removal of toxic waste fluoride from their city water. Calgary has removed it and so have many other cities in Canada and the USA, as they realize the truth about this toxic waste harmful poison being put into our water supply. There are citizen groups all over North America dealing with this deeply embedded and harmful error. Not only does it cost millions of dollars to maintain the facilities that place this poison in our water, but there is no health or dental benefit to adding it and even worse, it causes harm.

Why would so many people like us go to so much trouble if we had no reason to do so. We have lives and we have lots of things to do with our time, like you. But more importantly, we all have children and grandchildren to protect and we all want to be healthy. I am a citizen of London, a mother and a grandmother. It makes me so feel so overwhelmed that fluoridation was permitted in the first place and continues without our permission today. It is sad that so long ago, misinformation was given to our leaders at the highest levels. Everyone beneath them trusted and believed them and all were deceived about the use and safety of toxic waste fluoride. There is no longer any point to blame anyone for the past. We didn't know back then what we know now. However we do know now. Therefore, it's our time and our responsibility to do what we can to fix the errors of the past and toxic waste fluoride is one such error.

We all watched and applauded as Erin Brockovich uncovered and exposed the cancer causing chemicals in the ground water in her town in California, which by the way, is still toxic. If our our water has been fluoridated with toxic waste fluoride for 50 or more years, and virtually most of it goes down the drain in our sinks, our baths, our toilets, our laundry, our pools etc. and into our streams, rivers and lakes, can you see the true impact? This is not natural fluoride. We know that every day new studies or old studies that were covered up bring truth to light and reveal environmental or health problems with drugs and chemicals we were told were safe but are not. This is the case with toxic waste fluoride.

The story of toxic waste fluoride is complex and ugly and the reasons given for using it in our water supply, riddled with mistakes and somehow justified. Now that everyone knows the truth, why on earth is it still in our water?

Please approve removal and do not be afraid of Health Canada or anyone who has been taught to believe the same lies we've all been told for years. The new studies show the truth. Just as new science has given us new information such as DNA to prosecute criminals, we now have new scientific studies to prove that toxic waste fluoride is not safe and it is not even the same as naturally occurring fluoride. Toxic waste fluoride was added to our water to reduce tooth decay but now we know that toxic waste fluoride is only useful against tooth decay if applied topically and directly on the teeth and not when ingested. When ingested it is an insidious poison slowly weakening our immune system over the years, but is especially and directly harmful to pregnant women, their fetus, and young children for a number of reasons. They should not be drinking it at all. Plus there is a daily limit to the amount anyone should have, and there is no way of controlling it. We drink it, eat it, bath in it, it's absorb it through out skin, we brush our teeth with it, it's in the air and on and on. Once the facts are known about the harm it does, it's absolutely shocking that we add it to our water supply.

So Health Canada are clearly wrong on their continued endorsement in this case, whether they want to admit it or not. I don't understand their support of fluoridation now that the new studies have been released. The evidence against the use of toxic waste fluoride is overwhelming. Health Canada do so much good, but clearly they are not perfect. They are completely wrong on this issue and I hope they will have the courage and integrity to change their endorsement of fluoridation.

Please don't be afraid to have the courage to think for yourself. Please insist on the removal of toxic waste fluoride from our water. Seriously alarmed, informed and credible scientists, biologists, chemists, even many dentists and thousands of other professionals are backing you on this one. Once again, please see the email below and the attachment from the Calgary City Council concerning their reasons for removal of fluoride from city water. Thank you for taking a stand against toxic waste fluoride in our water supply. You are appreciated.

Best regards,

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Please see below

FROM:

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Tuesday, January 24, 2012 1:15:48 PM

Good afternoon Mary,

On January 10 2011, 10 members of council brought forward a Notice of Motion to discontinue fluoridation. I've attached the Motion which explains the reasons.

The decision to discontinue fluoridation was made by City Council on February 7, 2011 . Council voted 10-3 in favour to:

- repeal the existing Fluoridation Bylaw and direct Administration to apply to Alberta Environment for an amendment to The City's License for its water treatment plants to discontinue the addition of fluoride to Calgary's water supply.
- AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct Administration to establish a stakeholder group to identify options to address the best way to improve dental health issues for children living in poverty in an amount to be taken from the monies saved in the operating budget from the discontinuation of fluoridation and return to Council through the SPC on Community and Protective Services with recommendations no later than November 2011.

Following the direction of Council, Water Services proceeded with the necessary amendment to our Operating Approval (issued by Alberta Environment), and fluoridation ceased on May 18, 2011.

If you have any additional questions, please contact me,
Thanks