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Dear Board Members and Esteemed Town Clerk.

I did not speak at the Public Hearing concerning the draft mining ordinance, but I would like to add my thoughts which lend support to the many well stated and reasoned observations.

Applicants registering existing operations should provide basic information regarding size and location so a baseline is established. Doreen Conboy's (town archivist) comments support this basic requirement from the perspective of town history, but baseline information for any town activity is quite reasonable.

A maximum pit size of 5 acres is much too large. 2.5 is more reasonable.

Our town clerk handles multiple registrations with accuracy and skill, but a mining registration review is an expectation connected to land use. This would better fall under the purview of the CEO.

Finding and retaining a town clerk is no easy task for many towns. Lisa is a gem and we would really like to have her stay and not place an unwieldy responsibility upon her capable shoulders.

Thank you for your attention.
Linda Kristan