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**Bylaw 1628/23 – Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17 – Redistricting
of a Portion of NW-6-57-23-W4M
(Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1722474)**

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I am reaching out to convey my support of Bylaw 1628/23.

My name is Adam Watt and I play disc golf at Wildman several times a year. This course allows people of all abilities and ages to enjoy some exercise, socialize, and explore the woods of Sturgeon County. It's a space where families can have an affordable activity, local schools can go to for field trips, and seniors can enjoy a walk in the woods. Everyone can use Wildman.

When I go to Wildman, I normally stop in Gibbons for lunch or dinner. I know this is true of most other users of the course as well, meaning that Wildman is directly contributing to local economic activity.

It is also a very quiet activity as the course is in the woods- blocking the sound from carrying to neighbours. One of the things I love about Wildman is the ability to play disc golf in peace and quiet.

Finally, I strongly support the entrepreneurial spirit that was needed to launch Wildman. Isn't that what living in Alberta is all about? Wildman disc golf fills a need in the community. If this bylaw is not supported, what message does that send to other entrepreneurs that want to take a risk to enhance the Sturgeon County community?

Support Bylaw 1628/23.

Please feel free to reach out to me anytime if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Adam Watt

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To whom it may concern

I am writing in support of bi-law 1628/23. My name is Brad Whittle, and I am a resident of Gibbons. The area that Matt is trying to get developed will not bring in large amounts of traffic to local roads, it wouldn't be the next parie gardens. The noise levels would not be of any concern to anyone around the area. Disk golf is based on the same rule/understanding as normal golf! Respect for their fellow players and their surroundings.

This land is a perfect place to build this course, as it has no use for agricultural profit or residential development! Matt has already shown great interest in giving back to the area as he has already had school classes out there to promote the sport and good old outdoor activities, as we all know are lacking these days.

Having this course out there will also be a benefit in the dry months as where we remove all the lower deadfall, which is a major contributor to the wildfires in this area. Myself personally am a certified arborist, who has done the majority of the tree removals on the land.

This sport is very cost-efficient and would be great for the county, I strongly would appreciate your support and consideration in this matter. I have added a few pictures to show the course to allow a better understanding!

Thank you.

Brad Whittle
Gibbons Ab

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Melodie Steele

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Good Afternoon,

My name is Jeremy Power. I started disc golfing in the fall of 2021. I am in my 40's and was looking for a low impact, cost effective sport that I could play. After playing 2-3 rounds of disc golf with my wife in St Albert I realized that disc golf was the sport I was looking for. I purchased some discs and joined the Edmonton Disc Golf Association(EDGA) in 2022. I played in a league and met many new friends. In 2023 I joined EDGA again and the Professional Disc Golf Association(PDGA). I started competing in tournaments. This has resulted in me meeting more friends, getting physically fit and being active on a regular basis.

Many cities in the Edmonton area have disc golf courses located in parks. These courses are good for developing the basic skills you need to play disc golf. What these courses lack is the challenges needed to develop your game to the next level. City courses are usually shared use spaces where a disc golf course has been added as opposed to a place where a disc golf course has been created. For disc golf to continue to grow and for players to develop their skills, we need more private courses created specifically for disc golf. Wildman Disc Golf is one of the courses that meets these requirements.

Wildman Disc Golf would allow player development, provide a venue for higher quality tournaments and allow more players access to the sport.

I recently attended a PDGA B Tier tournament called the Edmonton Open at Bailey's Crossing near Devon, AB. It is a private course and is similar to Wildman Disc Golf. The tournament was amazing. The course was top notch and it attracted professional disc golfers. It brought more attention to the sport and allowed players to interact with professionals. This brought business dollars to Devon as people ate, camped, and stayed in hotels in the region. It brought people in from out of province as well. This is what Wildman Disc Golf could do for Sturgeon County.

Disc golf is a low impact activity. There are no motorized vehicles on courses, no loud music and disc golfers pack out what they pack in.

I am in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23

My interest in the matter is as a resident of St Albert and avid disc golfer who is looking for great quality courses to be available in Edmonton and surrounding area.

Jeremy Power

St. Albert, AB T8N 6L3

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Good afternoon, I'm writing this email in support of disc golf course, im a new player and have played a few courses in Edmonton and St Albert, which are far away from me. I live in close proximity to the course out by lily lake so this one is closer, the game is very fun and cost effective.

Thank you for your time.
Sincerely Shane Hartling.

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I am writing to show my support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23.

I'm from St. Albert and I regularly play disc golf at the Wildman Disc golf course. Disc golf is an environmentally friendly sport that has minimal impacts on neighbours and the land. It can be enjoyed by people of all ages and skill levels. It's a great cost-effective alternative for our kids when compared to many of the other options while allowing them to enjoy the outdoors. I feel the Wildman disc golf course will provide many benefits to the kids and adults of the community such as increased physical activity, social interaction, and economic benefits while having minimal impact on the neighbours or the land.

Kevin Baluk

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To whom it may concern,

Good day! I am writing to express my thoughts on wildman discgolf and how he has impacted the community for all of us in various positive ways!

For those of you who don't already know Matt..... He is one of the most generous and kind human beings I have met since moving to the Edmonton area in 2021! His passion to grow the sport of discgolf and to keep all parties happy and respected has been a main reason why I continue to support Wildman Discgolf.

The events that have already been held by Wildman Discgolf have been extremely organized, fully supported by the entire discgolf community, and he still finds ways to make things extremely welcoming and fun while following all guidelines of the law!

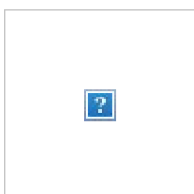
Discgolf has truly been an amazing cure for most people who have experienced COVID's shutdown in 2020. This sport has brought so many individuals together and has given us purpose to keep moving outside and to keep active through tough times.

If you've ever played a disc golf round.. you would also understand how absolutely beautiful the community is and how welcoming everyone can be. When the experienced players run into beginners, often more times than not, free lessons are given as well as free discs to help them with their journey into the sport!

I have met so many new players who have spoken very highly of Matt and Wildman Discgolf for welcoming them into the sport with encouraging words, invites to play, discs to play with, etc.

I hope you find it in your hearts to approve Matt's wildman discgolf course so we can continue to come together as a community and do what we love most.... throw plastic in nature and enjoy what mother earth's beautiful hikes and scenery have to offer <3

Thank you for hearing me out =]



Teri Hong

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To Sturgeon County Council

RE: Support for Wildman Disc Golf Rezoning--Bylaw 1628/23

To whom it may concern:

My name is Will Schultz; I am a university professor living in north Edmonton, and am a long-time friend of Matt Lelacheur as well as an avid disc golfer. I write today in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23.

I have known Mr. Lelacheur for nearly 10 years. We met through a volunteering organization called Start2Finish Canada, a program that operates after-school running and reading programs for inner-city children across Canada. Matt led the program for John A. McDougall school in Edmonton, and his work was instrumental in helping to improve physical and intellectual literacy for at-risk children at this school. I provide this story as an example of Matt's character: he is a community-minded citizen, and is deeply invested in volunteering and helping to make his community a better place.

Matt has been discussing his dreams about creating a disc golf space for many years now. His vision has always been toward creating a community space, a fun place where people can enjoy nature and learn how to play disc golf. In my experience, disc golf is an extremely welcoming sport, and newcomers are warmly greeted and helped by experienced players. Matt wants to make Wildman into a place where community members from across Sturgeon County and northern Alberta can come and play disc golf and enjoy the outdoors.

Disc golf is a low-impact sport, something I really want to make clear: most disc golf courses are housed in city parks, alongside nature and other park users, and operate with minimal conflict or disruption (outside of baskets installed in parts of the park). Matt's proposal for this property will be less disruptive than almost any other form of development: for instance, disc golf involves significantly less noise and less dust than a construction project for a new house would produce. Likewise, turning this property into a disc golf course will remove the potential of animal escapes onto other properties or country roads, something that I am familiar with from growing up on a cattle farm near Camrose. In other words, I believe that allowing this disc golf course to move forward will ensure that this property is less disruptive to any sort of neighbours or neighbouring community than would occur if it remained zoned for agriculture. .

Overall, I know that Matt is sincere in his efforts to use this place as a community gathering space. This is not a covert effort to create a "party" zone, nor is it an effort to covertly open a

business in an inappropriate spot. Matt specifically chose this location based on the extraordinary natural beauty of the space, and has no desire to make any major changes to the property. Rather, he hopes to use disc golf to help people experience the outdoors in a healthy and accessible way.

In my experience volunteering with Matt, I know that he has the organizational skills and community mindset to turn Wildman Disc Golf into a community hub in a beneficial and non-disruptive way, benefiting both the Sturgeon County, as well as anyone who wishes to spend time outdoors. I hope you will support his efforts to improve your county.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. William J. Schultz

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Good morning,

I am in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23

I believe that the rezoning of this land to recreational use will have a great benefit to the users of the facility and the residents of the county. Disc golf is a rapidly growing sport for people of all ages. There is minimal impact on the land and neighbours. This facility will help drive users to Sturgeon County and provide a benefit to residents who want to get into the sport near by.

I am not only a Sturgeon County resident myself but I also represent McEwen's Fuels & Fertilizers (an agricultural retailer who's head office is also located in Sturgeon County). We are in favour of this proposed bylaw!

Thank you for your time,

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Good morning,

I would like to reach out and show my support for the Disc Golf Course in my rural community. The disc golf course offers so much to Sturgeon County. It's cost effective, fun, brings people together and it's great for physical & mental health!!

I am a local real estate agent in Sturgeon County and I also live in Woodridge Subdivision. The disc golf course would be a great asset to our area!

Thank you for your time.....

Cheers,



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I am in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23

As an older gentleman I find most sports are a little too physical and usually rushed, I have found the sport of disc golf to be one of the most fun sports I have come across in quite some time, and if you are not careful you could just get a little exercise as well. The beauty of a disc getting played with by the wind is a sight to behold and I would encourage anyone looking for an inexpensive, very inclusive and enjoyable sport to get yourself and any others i.e. grandchildren or just children into. The growth of this sport is wonderful to see as I have been playing for a very long time and still am excited to go and play at any chance. I would encourage you to watch some of the coverage of this sport on you-tube it won't take long before you see the intrigue of flight...

Thank you for your consideration on this bylaw

Tim Quakenbush

From: [Janice Watt](#)
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Good afternoon,

My name is Janice Watt. I am a resident of Edmonton, AB writing to express my support of proposed bylaw 1628/23

I have been to the Wildman Disc Golf property several times and enjoy the opportunity to not only to play disc golf but also to walk the property and enjoy escaping into the woods from the city.

Disc golf is a growing sport that is both affordable and accessible to all ages and income levels. It also has a minimal impact on the environment compared to the infrastructure required for other sports and activities.

Whenever we have driven out from Edmonton we make a stop in Bon Accord for lunch or snacks and gas which also supports the local community.

This Disc golf course would be an asset to the community with minimal impact to the land and surrounding properties.

Kindly,

Janice Watt

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I am in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23. My name is Sam McColman and I'm a discgolfer from Grande Prairie AB. I grew up in Sturgeon County and my parents still live in St. Albert. For the past 2 years I've made a trip to visit the area specifically to play the Wildman Discgolf Tournament. This involves 70 or so individuals getting together on Matt's property to share some fun and compete on his beautiful course. It is very minimal use on the roads and land as we are all just driving in for 1-2 days, and many of us carpool, so probably 50 vehicles tops.

Seeing this course taken away would be very sad as the greater Edmonton area does not have many good courses, and this one is one of the best. Discgolf is extremely accessible for all people (low cost and low intensity). My dad has recently got into discgolf, mainly playing at the Langholm course in St. Albert, and he and his friends are excited to try out Wildman to "test their skills". Myself and about 7-8 others from Grande Prairie will continue to make the trip down for this tournament every year if it is allowed to keep happening, which I am highly in favour of.

Please take this as a strong vote for Wildman Discgolf to continue being allowed to host events and have a course on this beautiful property.

Sam

From: [Jonas Stoll-Pott](#)
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Cc: [Matt LeLacheur](#)
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I am in support of proposed bylaw 1628/23 for the support of the disc golf course known as wildman. Discgolf in an area such as the course has minimal impacts on the neighbours and allows access to a sport the is very inclusive and has a low cost barrier. I am a disc golfer that would be disappointed to see this course go seeing as how it is a staple in the disc golf community.

Sincerely,
Jonas Stoll-Pott

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Hello,

My name is Timothy Plamondon, I am a resident of Edmonton, Alberta, and I am the current President of the Edmonton Disc Golf Association.

I am writing today in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23.

As the sport of disc golf continues to grow and take hold as an accessible activity, so too does the demand for destination disc golf courses. Disc Golf courses such as Bailey's Crossing and Wildman are not only an integral part of this sport's growth, but also provide communities with economic and recreational benefits.

As mentioned, disc golf is an incredibly accessible sport that suits families, beginners, aspiring athletes, and everyone in between. It is low impact, cost effective, environmentally responsible, and attracts people who care about community.

In specific to Wildman Disc Golf Course, there are zero downsides to supporting this Bylaw. Sturgeon County only stands to benefit from standing behind this recreation service.

In specific to Matthew LeLacheur, you will find an individual who genuinely cares about the community around him and the sport. Matt is a person of integrity who wants to work with everyone to overcome barriers the right way, as opposed to putting up barriers and circumventing the due process.

This initiative is a significant positive for everyone and should be supported in kind.

Thank you for your time,

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Tim Plamondon
President, Edmonton Disc Golf Association

From:
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Dear Council Members,

I Brent Baker am writing to you today to express my support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23 the proposed disc golf course at Wildman Disc golf Bon Accord Ab. I have been playing disc golf for over 15 years, and I believe that it is a great sport that can benefit our community in many ways. This course is very close proximity to me within a 15 min Drive from Edmonton.

Disc golf is a low-impact sport that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. It is a great way to get outside and get some exercise, and it can also be a social activity. Disc golf courses are typically located in parks and open spaces, so they do not take up valuable land that could be used for other purposes. Additionally, disc golf courses are typically designed to be environmentally friendly.

In addition to the recreational benefits of disc golf, it can also have a positive economic impact on our community. Disc golf courses attract visitors from outside the area, which can help to boost local businesses.

I urge you to approve the proposed Bylaw 1628/23 disc golf course at Wildman disc golf Bon Accord. I believe that it would be a great addition to our community and would provide many benefits to our residents. Also I would like to add Matthew LeLacheur wants to preserve the surroundings and have more locals come out to try and learn the sport that so many of us Love and support.

Sincerely,
Brent Baker

Sent from my Galaxy

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To whom it may concern

I am writing this letter in support of the new Wildman Disc golf course. I have been playing disc golf now for roughly 4 years, and found the sport to be quite entertaining. While challenging at times, especially when looking for your disc in the bushes, I find the sport to offer more than a solo challenge. It brings people together, people of all age groups and skill levels, this sense of community is what I find to be the most satisfying. A low impact sport that takes me outside, able to meet new people, or meet up with some familiar faces, all for a very reasonable cost of entry.

I currently live in Devon, AB and the local disc golf course is Bailey's Crossing Disc Golf Course. With the course built on private land, you cannot even tell that it is there, unless someone told you about it, or you were seeking it out. There has been very little in the way of a noticeable impact on the surrounding community as vehicle traffic is rather low, and any events that do occur, have ample parking to keep the vehicles clear of any municipal roadways.

I look forward to years of fun and challenging play out at the Wildman Disc golf course.

Cheers

Callum Ryhanen

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Good morning,

I am writing in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23.

I currently reside at 6107-138 Ave NW Edmonton and commute daily to the shop/office at 54314 Range Rd 255, Sturgeon County.

Having the ability to leave work and know that I can avoid all the major traffic and within a half hour be at Wildman is a big part of allowing me to actually schedule in some physical and mental health time.

One of the big parts of why this disc golf layout is so appreciated is how it has worked to shape into the natural features existing on property. For some of us, the disc golf is an excuse to be able to be back in nature with friends. The group that comes to Wildman is a great group of individuals with a variety of backgrounds but a common respect for the land and the people around it and a high percentage have volunteered time to work on course maintenance.

I think the overall benefits of this development are positive to the community and at a level that should not impact the local neighbours.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.

Ross McTaggart

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16/08/2023

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in favour of proposed bylaw 1628/23 supporting the use of land for Wildman Disc golf course to be rezoned.

As a Canadian Military Veteran currently struggling with PTSD, having this Disc Golf course exist within close proximity to CFB Edmonton, as well as my current residence is an exceptional asset. Being able to use this course, and play disc golf since my diagnosis has brought purpose back to my life. Navigating life and the world we live in today is tough in general, never mind when you have to deal with Trauma on top of that. I know I'm not the only one out there, therefore, others would absolutely benefit from The Wildman Disc golf course exactly as I have.

Having a place where a group of people can explore nature, get exercise, appreciate the outdoors and enjoy each other's company for a few hours should be deemed essential in any community. And, it is still such a vulnerable time for people, we could all benefit from getting outside and I believe every county and community should be seriously looking into options such as this course to support these needs.

Matthew is a very professional, passionate person looking to create something and build something he truly loves and wants to share with his community. I believe wholeheartedly his intention is not to create turmoil for the farmers and their surrounding land, but instead share his love for the sport and the outdoors.

Mark Thomson
Canadian Forces Veteran, and local Resident
Redwater, AB

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It is with great enthusiasm, that I, Paul Graff, a resident of St. Albert and competitive disc golfer (PDGA #169243); support the Bylaw 1628/23 that the portion of land within NW-06-57-W4M (Lot 1, Block 1, Plan 1722474) be redistributed from AG - Agricultural to Direct Control District 23 and encourage the council to do the same.

Disc golf is the primary recreational activity that this land use change would support. Disc golf has been described as hiking with purpose as the object of the game is to throw a small disc into a basket within a set number of throws or "par" similar to the game of golf. Unlike the game of golf, it does not require the resources such as grass, water, etc to maintain well manicured fairways of grass and can be in the woods such as on the parcel of land in question here. Disc golf is also a very accessible sport, discs are fairly cheap and the whole family can play. It can be played year round. Furthermore, disc golf events are capped which limits the number of people there at one time and would have minimal impacts on neighbors - especially with the course being located in the woods on the back portion of the property.

I humbly suggest that the council ratifies this change to support the community with another location that promotes community fitness and health. Mr. Lalacheur, the owner of the land in question, has been a supporter of both junior and women's disc golf development in Alberta and would be able to continue these endeavours easily with your support of this land redistribution through disc golf events that could be hosted here.

Thank you,
Paul Graff

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16/08/2023

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter in favour of proposed bylaw 1628/23 supporting the use of land for Wildman Disc golf course to be rezoned.

I am in full support of this land zone change as it will give the community a new sport to indulge in, a new sport to keep the younger generations busy and active. Disc golf is a sport where people meet and become friends, support each other's progress and self ref along the way.

My son started playing disc golf less than a year ago and has already taken to it very strongly. He has made new friends, gained a sport he loves and given him something to help cope with the struggles of mental health and PTSD in general.

This rezoning would not affect the people around this otherwise unused/unkept property in a negative way at all. If anything the work that Matthew and the disc golf community are putting into this course are helping the trees and plants flourish getting rid of all of the deadfall and brush around. This also helps minimize the chance wildfires in the area as the dead fall is looked after here and dealt with.

Again, I support this land use change and recommend all who doubt it to visit the property, go for a walk and enjoy what nature and the Wildman has to offer. It is a beautiful property looked after by a very caring and devoted gentlemen.

Thank you

Donna Thomson
Westlock County resident
Cylde, AB

From: [Parker Kary](#)
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Cc: [Matt LeLacheur](#)
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To Whom it May Concern,

I am in support of proposed Bylaw 1628/23.

My name is Parker Kary and I am a teacher at Legal School. I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the Wildman Disc Golf course in Sturgeon County. As a dedicated teacher and a strong advocate for enriching alternative educational experiences, I am convinced that this business will provide a multitude of benefits for our students and the residents in the entire area.

Over the past year, I had the privilege of organizing and accompanying numerous field trips for my students ranging from grades 4-9. These excursions have proven to be invaluable opportunities for hands-on learning and personal growth. One recent venture, in particular, stands out as a testament to the positive impact of the facility. The experience was nothing short of inspirational for our students. Beyond the sheer enjoyment of playing a new and engaging sport, the disc golf course provided additional educational and developmental advantages that align with our curriculum goals.

Physical Activity and Health: Disc golf encourages students to engage in physical activity while having fun. It promotes cardiovascular health, coordination, and teamwork, contributing to the overall well-being of our young learners.

Problem Solving and Strategy: Playing disc golf involves critical thinking, decision-making, and strategic planning. Students must assess the terrain, distance, wind conditions, and obstacles, fostering valuable problem-solving skills.

Environmental Education: The course provides an excellent platform to discuss topics such as ecology, conservation, and responsible land use. Students learn about the local ecosystem and gain a greater appreciation for nature.

Mathematics and Measurement: The sport inherently incorporates mathematics as players calculate distances, angles, and scores. These practical applications of math concepts bring classroom learning to life.

Social Interaction and Communication: Disc golf is a social game that encourages interaction and communication among players. Students learn to collaborate, share ideas, and communicate effectively with their peers.

Community Engagement: A disc golf course would become a community hub, attracting families, residents, and visitors alike. This sense of unity and engagement contributes to a vibrant local environment.

Character Development: Through friendly competition and challenges, students develop qualities such as patience, resilience, sportsmanship, and respect for others.

I firmly believe that the presence of a disc golf course in our county will extend these benefits to a wider audience of students. Such an asset will enhance our curriculum by providing an outdoor learning environment that complements our classroom teachings. Moreover, it will offer a safe and enjoyable recreational outlet for students, encouraging them to adopt healthier lifestyles and make positive life choices.

I wholeheartedly endorse the proposed disc golf course bylaw and respectfully urge you to consider its implementation. I am confident that this initiative will have a lasting and meaningful impact on our students, fostering their growth as well-rounded individuals. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Parker Kary

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August 16th 2023

Sturgeon County
Legislative Services

RE: Proposed Bylaw 1628/23

I, Morgan Thomson a local resident of Sturgeon County am writing to inform you of my support for proposed bylaw 1628/23.

Everyone has something they are passionate about. Disc Golf happens to be Matt's. Never have I seen someone so passionate about a single sport and therefore emanating the positive impact it can have on someone else. I have no doubt in my mind that the intention of this course is to provide a place for all to have fun, enjoy the outdoors and provide an accessible asset to the county.

I am confident your committee will respond positively to the existence of this facility.

Sincerely,

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Morgan Thomson

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16 August 2023

To whom it may concern:

I'm writing this letter to lend my support to Bylaw 1628/23, the proposed creation of the Wildman Disc Golf Course located one kilometer North of Township Road 570 on Range Road 240.

I believe establishing a Disc Golf Course would have a positive impact on the community. Disk golf continues to be a popular and growing sport across the country which can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. It's a cost-effective family outdoor activity which is fun for everyone. The rules of conventional golf are followed on the course, so noise levels are kept to a minimum.

The vegetation on the seventy acres of land consists of spruce, poplar, and pine trees, along with open grassy areas. The fact that the land will have to be groomed and maintained for the golf course will have a positive impact on fire prevention.

I believe the creation of the Wildman Disc Golf Course would only have a positive impact on the surrounding community and its residences. Traffic patterns would have minimal impact in the area. The only time there would be a moderate increase in local vehicle traffic would be during scheduled tournaments which would occur approximately six times throughout the year.

This is a positive entrepreneurial initiative which has the potential to have a very positive outcome for all those involved with the project.

Thank you for considering this creative initiative.

Glenn Innis

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