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Subject: 596 Lantern Hill Rd violation

Hello Mr. Herring,

This email is regarding the property at 756 Lantern Hill Rd, Ledyard, owned Mark Perkins, dba Perkins Properties, which also owns a business named Perkins Lawn Care. Mr. Perkins persists in violating his CT Superior Court Order to cease his use of the property for commercial activities. I was informed by Mr. Kirk Bryson that it would be helpful for us to send you an email, with a photo if possible, when there is a violation occurring.

Attached are a couple of photos that I took yesterday, 7/21/2022, documenting the presence of business equipment on the property. It appears the metal barn is in use at the same time. I also witnessed a substantial amount of his lawn care equipment on the premises on Friday, July 15, 2022 but was unable to get a photo at the time. The photo sent to you by Ms. Day accurately depicts the premises.

It is my understanding that this is an ongoing violation of multiple CT Superior Court Orders, with the most recent case being No. KNLCV166027254S on 1/30/2020, Judge Susan B Handy presiding.

I am also concerned about the continued outdoor storage of 55 gallon drums bearing labels of toxic substances, especially located on the side of the building adjacent to Whitford Brook. My understanding is that this is also in violation of hazardous chemical storage. Best practices are the drums should be on pallets to monitor for leakage and stored indoors. Their presence suggests they are being used for commercial activities since they currently have no other purpose as there is no farming activity occurring on the property.

I appreciate that it is difficult to enforce zoning violations with limited hours, and photos are not the best evidence but hopefully photos from multiple sources increase the validity of the violation complaint.

Thank you,

Betsy Graham





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