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The voice of the residents of Laidlaw/Tumalo RUC was hijacked by a group made up of people who were domiciled out of the area. The residents only seek peace, quiet and security. We live here and pay County taxes on many homes, and vacant lots. We have some of the same concerns as those domiciled out of the area. Many of the residents work full time, from their own homes.

Last year we did not have the portable toilet at the waterfront. There was a huge reduction in trash. Broken liquor bottles, and broken wine and beer bottles, that were present in the past years with the porto- pot, were rarely present last year. The sheriff said there were far fewer calls to stop fights, as the demographic changed. The most important benefit for the residents and users of the waterfront was: NO more dirty needles and syringes, some with liquid still in them.

We came here to get away, to peace and quiet. Through our "mind our own business" attitude, we became represented by non-residents, with a love for Tumalo, but not at all in tune with the intricacies of down town residency.

There will be a Voice on matters of civic concern for Laidlaw/Tumalo RUC residents. Those that live here, and adjacent, need to be heard clearly, and participate at the various levels of government. I believe there is nearly total agreement by most residents, on most all of the current issues.

I look forward to being a part of the second 100 years of a drug free, and alcohol free waterfront, just like all the other public riverfront areas are, in Deschutes County. Without the portable toilet last year, attracting the wrong element of society, we saw a major change in the demographic using the area.

Single parents, Families, Grandparents, and best of all, lots of small children... the way it always was for 100 years.

Thank you.

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