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Hi Alekka,

Please send the letter below to the Borough Assembly members and post it under 'Supporting Documents.'

Also, please send a quick reply so that I know you received this email.

Thank you Alekka!

Ellen

To: Mayor Morphet and the Members of the Borough Assembly
From: Ellen Larson
Topic: The Lutak Dock Project
Date: Dec. 10th, 2023

It is fortunate that the grant agreement for the Lutak Dock Project is not due until September of 2024. This gives our community ample time to be given accurate, unbiased information re the proposed Lutak Dock design and get a better idea of what the costs will be to Haines residents both now, and in the years to come.

It is important that the following information be gathered, presented at public hearings, and fully assessed so that the best way forward can be determined by the Haines community:

1. Conduct an independent audit to determine all of the costs incurred by the Lutak Dock Project to date and make the results available to the public.
2. Conduct an analysis of alternative scaled-back dock design options that meet the needs of our community and give each one serious consideration.
3. Hold public hearings to determine what is in the community's best interest, vs. having the hired Lutak Dock contractor provide a rationale and details on the design that they are promoting.

We are the taxpayers. The cost for both the building and maintenance of the Lutak Dock Project must be determined and made transparent to the community so that we know the costs that we are responsible for before proceeding.

Let's not repeat the mistakes that were made with our Portage Cove Small Boat Harbor.
Instead, let's slow down and reassess.

I support putting a Stop Work Order on the Lutak Dock Project until these issues and other concerns have been addressed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen Larson