



To the Lincoln Zoning Board of Adjustment:

I live at 1713 Elder Hill Rd. I am an appellant to the permit #22-022 granted to Kyle Clark to build a "Restricted Landing Area" on his property on Orchard Road North. I signed the appeal opposing the granting of this permit because I wish to protect Lincoln from this type of development. Initially, I had given Kyle Clark the benefit of the doubt in his claim that he wished to be a good neighbor. However, and as much as I don't want to get personal, various things that he has done and said have increased my mistrust and opposition.

I found it to be condescending and disingenuous on his part when he started his comments at the May 23rd meeting by apologizing for townspeople having to "waste their time" coming to the meeting. We were there because we felt it well worth our precious time to defend our community from what the building of this airstrip implies.

He continued to show disrespect by implying that those of us questioning and opposing the airstrip were ignorant of what effects it would actually have on our lives. We are perfectly aware, and were made all the more so by the aeronautic maneuvers he or like-minded pilots were exhibiting for weeks prior to the meeting, when there was a marked increase in small plane flights, stunt maneuvers and general noisy nuisance in our neighborhood. One neighbor felt her house shake when a small plane seemed to dive-bomb her home. According to those in the flight path, these sometimes frightening, loud, generally obnoxious antics have continued.

I believe Kyle Clark misrepresented the type of airplane he'd primarily be flying to and from this airstrip. The Zoning Administrator took pains to research what she seemed to believe to be the type of plane he intended for primary use. When asked at the meeting whether the electric airplane was the primary type he intended to fly, his hedging answer was basically "no." ^(the airstrip) It also doesn't seem to be something that could be considered "accessory use," as his intention seems to be to use it frequently.

I have found through the process of this appeal that many of us assumed Lincoln's zoning regulations were defined and in place according to the Town Plan. We have been shocked that they were lax and didn't prohibit, or at least more vigorously challenge, this type of development. That the

town had been warned by the State Transportation Board on Feb. 10, 2021, over a year previous to Kyle Clark's application, that personal use landing areas were encroaching on rural neighborhoods of Vermont and yet did nothing to address the issue is extremely disappointing.

This airstrip will, if permitted, significantly impact the generally peaceful, quiet environment that those of us on Elder Hill Rd. and all of Lincoln value. It is the primary reason many of us live here. I don't wish to get used to an elevated level of noise and nuisance. We need to take whatever steps we can now to prevent the further erosion of our town's environment. I ask that the permit granted to Kyle Clark be revoked.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,



Louise Rickard
June 13, 2022

Town of Lincoln
Sworn to before me and in my presence
this 13th day of June 2022
Attest: Sally K. Ciser
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 1/31/2023
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