Don?t need by election to get councillor out

The following letter, addressed to Lanark-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington MPP Randy Hillier, was submitted to the Citizen for publication.

Your suggestion to recall politicians is absolutely essential, because a lot of them are plundering the public trough, because they know that they can not be removed from public office until the four-year term is over. But my suggestion is also that they should not serve longer than four years, and that at any time during the four years term they can be removed from office if they do not serve their constituents as they have promised or have ignored them.

If constituents in a riding of the elected official (provincial as well as municipal) needs to vote that person off, it will be by petition. The person that came in second at the election could than be asked if they are interested in taking over the seat. So no other election is required, and it will cost absolutely nothing, until the four-year term is over.

Long term politicians in Caledon, and for sure in other towns and cities, have become very arrogant, locating a huge Canadian Tire warehouse facility next to residential areas, without knowing anything about the problems what such a monster will create in our neighborhood. Caledon council has not in any way consulted the residents that will be affected by the diesel trucking warehouse, and that is the reason that I've suggested firing the entire Caledon council if there was a Provincial law to accomplish that. We in Bolton are trying very hard to have a Ministerial Zoning Order (MZO) issued by Linda Jeffrey, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, revoked.

Please read my entire letter to Premier Kathleen Wynne. John Van Eeden.

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