Municipality of Coldstream

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James Goldie Esq.

Manager, Bellvue Ranche Ltd.

Okanagan Centre. B.C.

Re 1913 Taxes outstanding on Bellvue Ranche Property.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of the 26th inst, re the above, and in reply beg to advise you that the amount of 1913 taxes is $183.16 with interest @ 8% per annum from December 31st 1913 to date of payment.

Re Fencing & Ditching on Bellvue Ranche.

With reference to the above and my conversation with yourself and Mr McAllister at the Lavington Store some time ago, I have to advise you that I laid the whole matter before the Road Committee explaining fully to them how the apparent misunderstanding had occurred.

After carefully considering the whole question the Committee are of the opinion that taking into considerstion that it was not in the verbal understanding made with Mr McAllister and the various Councillors present on the ground at the time the whole question of the alteration in the course of the Bessette Road and the New Road through the Ranche Property connecting with the Lavington Road was made, also the fact that in confirming the arrangement by letter defining the boundaries of the fencing to be undertaken by the Municipality an error was made in the

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point of commencement, and also the fact that the Bellvue Property at this point was never fenced off from the old portion of the Bessette Road which was not altered, it would in their opinion be taking an undue advantage in forcing the Municipality to construct the piece of fence in question.

Regarding the ditching I have to advise you that this was completed to the satisfaction of Mr Bailey your representative on the ground, but I can assure you personally that I will carefully watch the roads running through the Bellvue Property and take every precaution possible to prevent any damage to your orchard below the road.

At a time like the present the Municipality are doing their utmost to curtail expense in every department to the lowest possible minnimum.

Our Road Gang for the greater part of this year has been r reduced to a Foreman and 2 men, and I am considering at the present time shutting down altogether at the earliest possible moment.

I Trust~~ing~~ under the circumstances that you will see your way to forego your contention.

Some time ago I forwarded tracings of property to be conveyed by Mr McAllister to the Municipality for signature, and should be glad if you would return them completed at the earliest possible moment.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Yours faithfully
E. Henderson
MUNICIPAL CLERK

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