

To: The Blaine City Council
From: Richard Clark
Subject: Sister City Vote
Date: July 10, 2006

At the Blaine city council session of April 10, 2006, Councilman Bruce Wolf declared he wanted more information on the sister city proposal with the full council present. Councilwoman Bonnie Onyon emailed me a message April 11, saying, "My intention is to have a council/sister city group meeting in the near future to try to make everyone's positions understood better; hopefully culminating in an amicable agreement, without attacks."

Three months have passed since those desires were expressed. Nothing transpired. Therefore, I assume both council members have changed their minds. Moreover, the original sister city group that attended the April 10 meeting may have disintegrated by this time; everyone was quite disappointed, as you may know.

Should the city of Blaine invite Pugwash, Nova Scotia, to become its sister city? I am requesting the city council to place that question on the November ballot as an advisory vote. If I do not receive a reply by the end of July, time constraints will compel me to organize a group willing to collect the required number of qualified signatures. Our county auditor will need them in September.

Apart from this request, I am accepting Jason Overstreet's suggestion to move forward without involvement on behalf of the city council.

Signed:



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