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Dudzinski is not helping Readington

If you really want to know who's continuing to spread misinformation, just take a look at Ed Dudzinski's recent letter.

The Solberg Aviation Master Plan hasn't changed. There is still only one approved version and that version clearly shows an expansion. Anything else, including the referenced environmental assessment, is merely an unapproved draft of a draft. Let's keep that in mind.

The fact is that with an airport expansion comes a decrease in property values and quality of life. There also will be additional costs in the areas of emergency services, which will be imposed on the rest of us to support the airport. The fact is that the Solbergs still refuse to state their intentions. They continue to contradict each other with statements such as "we want to leave our options open" vs. "we want to keep it the way it's always been."

The latest statement of intent was from their attorney who indicated they won't consider plans that don't include "modernization" -- whatever that means. Mr. Dudzinski, you can't mediate when you don't have at least two sides stating clear positions.

Readington Township does not need the state either. That route, in fact, has been explored. This issue is between the Solbergs and the Township Committee (acting on behalf of the residents) and only the Township Committee has made a genuine and concerted effort to negotiate. Until the Solbergs clearly state their intentions in writing for all to see, their conflicting rhetoric shows their true colors. I suppose those who don't get this will be voting for the pro-airport Democratic candidates.

Mr. Dudzinski, if you really want to help reduce our tax burden there are two worthwhile things you can do. You could go to school board meetings to scrutinize that budget and ask them to reduce spending (which accounts for approximately 70 percent of your taxes). Also, you and your pals could stop inundating the municipal offices with excessive OPRA requests that keep people from doing what they must to keep the township running. Doing either of these things would relieve the rest of us from having to see/hear your misinformation about Solberg Airport and the nonsense about how the Township Committee and Julia Allen are responsible for everything bad, including world hunger and global warming.

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