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Much praise to all who helped to mobilize a real piece of history Wednesday night as hundreds of Island citizens marched to City Hall to make their fears, feelings and frustration known loudly and clearly to local government.

But....

If you stayed into the evening until about 10 pm and later, you would have seen as I did that at least three of those Council persons tossed your feelings, frustrations and petitions aside in as cavalier fashion as I have ever witnessed....making it all the more important that we remain unified and vocal in every way possible to these elected officials.

Most cavalier in their references to you were Council Persons Blair, Hytopolous and Scales. Why, they wondered, could you folks simply not understand what they knew so much better than you? Ms Blair laughed that you would be concerned about your market value of your home because she knew that you'd never have to worry. Scales dismissed you by suggesting he'd heard all these passions before and removing the "non-conforming" term would be a deception. Hytopolous was the most vigorous in asserting you simply have been exposed to a lot of disinformation.

This all went on as the scroll of 1071 signed petitions lay totally ignored in front of the Council.

You see, hundreds of Island citizens(that's you) simply don't care about the environment and need to be taught by them.

Do not let the cavalier treatment of last night dim your fervor and commitment. April 10, the gavel will likely fall on you if you do not hang as openly as last night. Make it your daily commitment to e-mail, telephone and otherwise communicate your feelings to your Council representative and send a copy of every communication to us.

It's your right. It's YOUR responsibility.

I was proud and honored to see all of you last night.

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