

Cell tower angst

After 17 months of meetings, hours of research thousands of dollars out-of-pocket, being reviled by friends and neighbors, rescheduling appointments and pleasant things that retired people should be doing, we find ourselves back where we started. This is no longer a worthy cause. This is war!

The expenditure of tax dollars by two factions in the same county government is ludicrous, especially now when tax dollars are scarce for the most rudimentary services. We must fight egos and political ambitions of county leaders gone amok. We must fight closed door meetings in which our ideas cannot be heard, and fight for transparency in all county government actions.

We must educate Kingsmill residents who consider a scheduled county meeting a social affair where they can say something startling, and often incorrect. The intransigence of the Kingsmill leadership to meet with the residents and mutually seek a solution has caused the problem to fester too long.

The wireless service providers have stopped talking about "poor cell phone reception" in Kingsmill since they do not know how acute the problem is and have turned their attention to "gap filling" holes in their respective coverage and "market share" to satisfy their stockholders.

James City also has problems. The leaders of our county government are not listening to their constituents. We can win this war and solve all of the above problems with our voices and our votes.

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