

From: [Kenneth Adams](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Proposed YMCA Youth Camp
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 9:03:15 AM

This e-mail is in regard to the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) camp being proposed in Lewis County. As a citizen of Lewis County I ask that you reject this proposal. The YMCA of today does not uphold or support any Christian values that the organization was founded upon.

The YMCA was founded by George Williams in London, England on June 6, 1844. Mr. Williams founded the YMCA for young men to escape the unhealthy social situations in the big cities. Mr. Williams was an Evangelical and believed the YMCA could provide Bible Study and prayer along with physical activities and job training so young men could avoid the awful social conditions. The organization today does not encourage any values taught in the Bible.

- There have been reported incidents in YMCA locations, where males identifying as females have entered female dressing areas and showers. When the females reported the incidents, staff accused those women of being bigots and "Tran's phobia" not taking their concerns seriously.
- The YMCA actively supports Black Lives Matter (BLM) and defunding the police.
- The YMCA supports allowing harmful puberty blocking drugs being administered young children and forever mutilating their bodies.
- The YMCA actively supports Critical Race Theory (CRT) which is basically re-writing the history of the United States.

The current YMCA organization does not reflect the values of the citizens of Lewis County.

Thank you for your time.

Ken Adams
126 Awesome Drive
Chehalis, WA 98532

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: salb6210@gmail.com
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 9:45:56 AM

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From: contact@lewiscountywa.gov <contact@lewiscountywa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 9:28 AM
To: Rieva Lester <Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov>; Tammy Martin <Tammy.Martin@lewiscountywa.gov>; BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Sandra Albertson

Email: salb6210@gmail.com

Message: My understanding is that the YMCA organization is wanting to establish a camp in this county. You need to do some research on that organization as it stands now, far apart from its founding tenets. The "woke" attitude has apparently invaded their organization so that it is no longer supportive of children but in fact quite detrimental. Pls do the research and consider NOT including their camp in this county. This is a conservative community, as you know, and it would not be supported by many. Thank you, SA

From: [BOCC](#)
To: julieruster@icloud.com
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
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Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Julia Ruster

Email: julieruster@icloud.com

Message: Please do not approve YMCA having a camp here in Lewis County. It is not beneficial to the mental health of our children. Thank you for caring.

From: stevenjan@localaccess.com
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: [Spam?] RE: Rezone for the YMCA camp--opposed
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 2:16:28 PM
Importance: Low

I am opposed to having a YMCA camp in Lewis County. According to KOMO news, an 80 year old woman was banned from the YMCA Port Townsend pool because the woman did not think that it was right to have adult men in the women's locker room around young girls. She was banned from the pool in response her protests.

Reference:

https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2fkomonews.com%2fnews%2flocal%2f80-year-old-banned-from-pool-following-exchange-with-transgender-woman&c=E,1,uK9tqnKoTTuaCNX8imYkCTz7mQBXJcJFXuTvWcktCylsBxT2Gz1p_jFW-G3EengS12s4gcXhYxPDs3PQeHEL7RYGny05NII19u7_0iuEEuPyjMEXiA,,&typo=1

Has the YMCA changed their policy? If they have not changed then I remain opposed.

Thank you,

Steve Whearty (stevenjan@localaccess.com)
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From: [Walker Becker](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Against YMCA
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 12:30:56 PM

I am emailing you to stand against any inclusion of the YMCA in Lewis County. The YMCA fundamentally stands against everything that makes Lewis County what it is. On its face, YMCA sounds like a great place to bring your kids, but if you dig deeper, you will pull back the mask of the CRT/Woke agenda that they indoctrinate children with. There has been multiple instances of little girls being exposed to nude men inside their locker rooms, and when they complain, they are told that they are being insensitive and bigoted because these men identify as women. Please oppose anything that has to do with YMCA in Lewis County.

Blessings,
Walker Becker

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From: [Alver Cummings](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA camp appeal
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 12:19:02 PM

I would like to thank the Board of Commissioners in their previous decision (re: YMCA youth camp).

A YMCA camp in Lewis County is not acceptable for the following reasons;

- **The YMCA is not what it once was in regard to Christian principles.**
- **The YMCA website states what they support and what their goals are:**
 - **Black Lives Matter**
 - **Diversity, Equity, Inclusion**
 - **Focus on Gender identity, expression and sexual orientation and LGBTQ+ community.**
 - **The creation of "Changemakers" who will, assumedly, promote the above ideologies.**
- **These are not things that I support, nor do I want them promoted in our community to our children.**

Thank you

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From: [Michael Hoel](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 12:30:47 PM

I have followed the YMCA request to build a camp in Lewis County near Mineral Lake. I urge all 3 of our Commissioners to continue to hold strong and reject this project. YMCA has a long history of practices, policies and agendas that it supports which do not align with our values. Examples of this includes support of CRT and Black Lives Matter which incites racism, gender dysphoria/sexual orientation/gender identity/LGBTQ+, allowing males in women's locker rooms and bathrooms and supporting hormone blockers and body mutilation related to transgenderism, and multiple other liberal atrocities. We must protect our youth and defend the defenseless. I plead with you to do the right thing and reject this.

Thank you

Michael Hoel
113 Otto Rd
Centralia, WA 98531
360-388-0148

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: [Susanne Kiffer](#)
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: No YMCA Camp in Lewis County
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 2:59:11 PM

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From: Susanne Kiffer <Saphire3688@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 2:57 PM
To: BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: No YMCA Camp in Lewis County

To the Commissioners,

I heard that there is the potential of a YMCA building a camp in Lewis County. I am writing to ask all of you Commissioners to do everything in your power to prevent this from happening. The YMCA has been a part of multiple scandals where they allow naked men into the ladies locker room. When the girls/women who were exposed to this indecent exposure reported this the YMCA staff only shamed them and defended the the men who claimed to be "trans women". We do need this kind of insanity in Lewis County. We need to protect our women and children from the danger of perverts who would spy on them or otherwise take advantage of them. We need to protect the innocence of our children. We need to protect our eyes from seeing indecent things. Since the YMCA has not acknowledged the line that has been crossed here, the organization should not be trusted as a safe place for our youth. I sincerely hope you will take this under serious consideration and work to help make Lewis County a safer community

Sincerely,
Susanne Kiffer
Lifetime Lewis County Resident, Mother of Four

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: jd3kuykendall@gmail.com
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 8:09:32 AM

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Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Justin Kuykednall

Email: jd3kuykendall@gmail.com

Message: Hello, My name is Justin Kuykendall. I am a resident of Centralia. I am STRONGLY opposed to allowing the YMCA to open a camp here in Lewis County!

From: [BOCC](#)
To: kpint90@comcast.net
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 8:09:43 AM

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Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 7:35 PM
To: Rieva Lester <Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov>; Tammy Martin <Tammy.Martin@lewiscountywa.gov>; BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Karen Parker

Email: kpint90@comcast.net

Message: Please do NOT allow a ymca camp in Lewis County. YMCA values do not reflect the values of our rural community. In Pt Townsend they encourage men to use the women's locker room and ban anybody who complains about it.

From: [Dale Perozzo](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Cc: [BOCC](#)
Subject: [Spam?] Oppose Mineral Lake YMCA
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 9:09:58 AM
Importance: Low

Greetings,

Please stand up for traditional family values.

Please resist YMCA's efforts to indoctrinate our area with their dangerous agenda.

This is a public safety issue.

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Thank you,

Dale Perozzo



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daleperozzo@gmail.com | www.daleperozzo.com | [Mobile App](#)

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: [ZacharyWiley](#)
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Say NO to YMCA in Lewis County
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 8:09:22 AM

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From: ZacharyWiley <zachary.taylor.wiley@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2023 11:15 PM
To: BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Say NO to YMCA in Lewis County

Dear Lewis County Commissioners,

Say NO to YMCA in Lewis County. Here's why:

The YMCA is more concerned about being inclusive of pedophiles than protecting minors. Let me explain. There was an incident last year at a YMCA in Port Townsend, WA where an 80 year-old woman (Julie Jaman) reached out to a YMCA staff member concerning a young man dressed in a woman's bathing suit, who was watching little girls pulling down their suits so they could use the toilet. What was the YMCA's response? Did they rush in to protect the little girls from predatory eyes? Did they ban the young man for inappropriately watching the little girls?

After hearing the incident, a YMCA staffer had the audacity to tell Jaman that she was "being discriminatory," and that she was the one being "banned from the pool forever." The leadership doubled down and backed the staffer. Erin Hawkins, the marketing & communications manager for the Olympic Peninsula YMCA, said to Fox News Digital: "Julie Jaman was permanently suspended from the Mountain View Pool due to her repeatedly violating our Code of Conduct, specifically, using disrespectful words or gestures toward YMCA staff or others; abusive, harassing and/or obscene language or gestures toward YMCA staff or others." Instead of protecting these young girls, YMCA would rather make a statement about how inclusive they are to the LGBTQ+ community. Jaman made a passionate appeal to protect, yet YMCA labeled her as using abusive language, permanently banning her from their facility. Jaman had been a faithful patron of the pool for 35 years and was well loved by

fellow patrons there. How despicable!

This is the public stance that the YMCA has made. They do not protect kids and they are willing to exploit them in order to appease a certain community. If you, as commissioners, allow the YMCA to build their summer camp facility, you are enabling pedophilia as the YMCA will allow potential predators into the same bathroom as little girls. And if our girls are not protected, the boys will most likely not be protected either. You have an opportunity to NOT introduce this danger to our community! Don't let this happen! Not on Lewis County soil! If you vote in favor of the YMCA, you will NOT have my vote in the future. So say NO to YMCA in Lewis County in order to protect children from abuse and exploitation.

Link to article: <https://www.foxnews.com/us/washington-80-year-old-woman-banned-ymca-demanding-trans-employee-leave-locker>

-Zachary Wiley
Centralia, WA

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: ronbolan@rocketmail.com
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
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Sent: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 2:23 PM
To: Rieva Lester <Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov>; Tammy Martin <Tammy.Martin@lewiscountywa.gov>; BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Ron & Heather Bolan

Email: ronbolan@rocketmail.com

Message: YMCA Camp - Mineral Lake - AGAINST Thank you Commissioners for originally voting this down. The YMCA is not what it once was in regard to Christian principles. The YMCA website states what they support and what their goals are: Black Lives Matter Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Focus on Gender identity, expression and sexual orientation and LGBTQ+ community. The creation of "Changemakers" who will, assumedly, promote the above ideologies. These are not things that I support, nor do I want them promoted in our community to our children & grandchildren & future generations. Again, we cannot reiterate enough how thankful we are that this was originally ruled against & hope that your new group creates a solidified front against this proposal in Lewis County. Sincerely, Ron & Heather Bolan Boistfort Valley

From: [Diane Cummings](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA camp appeal
Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023 1:12:52 PM

Thanking the board for your original decision to not permit the YMCA camp at Mineral Lake.

The YMCA (Young Mens Christian Association) no longer adheres to Christian principles.

On their website, they support "Black Lives Matter", and Diversity, Equity, Inclusion.

They focus on Gender Identity, sexual orientation and expression and support the LGBTQ+ agenda which definately does not have the approval of the God of the Bible.

They call themselves "Changemakers" that would promote the above ideologies. These things are just plain wrong, a great diversion from the original YMCA. This should not be in our community nor promoted to our children.

Thank you again for your original decision to not permit this.

Sincerely,

Diane Cummings, citizen.

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From: [Jessie Erickson](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: happy hearing on the YMCA February 14th
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 4:22:44 PM

To the BOCC,

I wanted to thank you for your stand taken in October against the establishment of a YMCA camp in Mineral. While the YMCA used to promote charity and compassion in a way I find constantly reflective of Lewis County as a whole, over time their agenda has shifted to be something I find to be at great dissonance with the overall personality and ethics of Lewis County. That being the case, I would greatly appreciate your continued resistance to their attempt to transplant their ideology here. It is not wanted and would, I am convinced, bring harm to the community.

Thank you so much for your continued representation and for hearing our concerns. I will be watching with anticipation the hearing on the 14th.

With regard,

Jessie Erickson

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From: [Carroll Studio](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA camp
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 2:51:23 PM

Thank you for denying the YMCA camp. Please continue to not allow this organization to come into our backyard. When I was young, YMCA stood for Young Men's Christian Association. It's political and social agenda is now so far removed from their original founders vision as to be unrecognizable. The radical positions they have on LGBTQ, Black Lives Matter, and Transgenderism is not approved or welcome in our home and certainly not with our children.

Thank you for your consideration,

CARROLL HILL

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From: [Michael Hoel](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA transgender (male) in girls locker room
Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023 7:59:03 AM

A transgender woman was charged with three counts of indecent exposure after women complained of a naked man walking around in the **women's locker room of a YMCA** gym in Ohio. | Fox News

<https://www.foxnews.com/us/trans-woman-faces-indecent-exposure-charge-being-naked-front-young-girls-ymca-ladies-locker-room>

Michael Hoel
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Centralia, WA 98531
360-388-0148

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From: [Steven Howard](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY AROUND MINERAL LAKE BY YMCA
Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023 7:33:19 AM

Regarding the development of lands around Mineral Lake by the YMCA for a youth camp. I am totally opposed to this. The values of the YMCA and what they represent are not acceptable to our county and the Mineral Lake residents. They are in favor of defunding the police, CRT, gender reassignment surgery without parental notification and allowing men in girls locker rooms.

Steve Howard
360.827.1527

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: kimkrenik.songs@gmail.com
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023 8:06:35 AM

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To: Rieva Lester <Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov>; Tammy Martin <Tammy.Martin@lewiscountywa.gov>; BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Kim Krenik

Email: kimkrenik.songs@gmail.com

Message: Dear Commissioners, I want to say thank you to those of you who voted against the YMCA coming to Lewis County at Mineral Lake. I am opposed to many things today's YMCA promotes to children. I appreciate your decision and am happy to know we have commissioners who are serving our community with integrity. Kind regards, Kim Krenik

From: [Andrea Law](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA appeal for camp in Lewis Co.
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 4:26:10 PM

To Whom it May Concern:

As a Lewis County resident with 6 children, I wish to thank the Board of Comissioners for their prior decision to not allow a YMCA camp at Mineral Lake. The YMCA promotes ideology I believe to be harmful to our children and I wholeheartedly support the Board's opposal of their appeal in the near future.

**Thank you,
Andrea Law**

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January 30, 2023

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Board of County Commissioners
Lewis County Washington

FEB 02 2023

FROM:

Ronald MacLurg
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Tel. +1 360 810 7693

TO:

The County Commissioners for Lewis County, Washington
Mr. Sean Swope, Ms. Lindsey Pollock, and Scott Brummer
351 NW North St
Chehalis, WA 98532

RE:

The application of the YMCA to build a youth camp in Lewis County

Dear Sirs and Madam:

As a property owner and taxpayer in Lewis County, I want to register my caution and reservations *against* the approval of the YMCA's application to build a large youth camp on property recently purchased for this purpose in our county.

There are increasing reports that the YMCA nationwide has demonstrated in recent years that they generally stand against the highest personal and cultural values that I cherish.

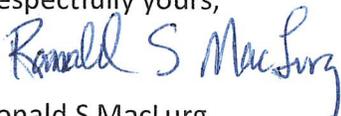
Regrettably, many chapters of the YMCA seem to have become a subversive influence to

- the value of a traditional family-centric society,
- respect for American patriotism,
- a scientific and moral perspective on gender;
- while also promoting racism and division through their advocacy of Critical Race Theory in programs taught at the YMCA, principally through collaborating agencies.

I would consider the training of thousands of youth in these values and priorities by the YMCA, in our own backyard, to be an affront to the core values and beliefs of the great majority of voters in our county.

Thank you for your good service.

Respectfully yours,



Ronald S MacLurg

From: [Brianna Shilman](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Disapprove of YMCA youth camp mineral lake
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 4:12:17 PM

To whom it may concern:

I disapprove of a YMCA youth camp to be built in the county which I reside, specific location being Mineral Lake. I do not agree with the principals YMCA offers. At one time I regularly attended YMCA and loved the Christian values, prayer room and other activities geared toward Christian living. I watched it slowly evolve into a religion of new age thinking and worshipping of gender identity etc. I watched the prayer room being taken away along with Christian employees. Below are specific reasons:

- **The YMCA is not what it once was in regard to Christian principles.**
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Thank you to the Board members for their original decision.

**Sincerely,
Brianna Mayfield**

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From: [Maria Pen](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Proposed YMCA at Mineral Lake
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 7:34:34 PM

I hope you know that the pastor of calvary chapel is advocating for all members at the centralia branch to email you and implore that the board members deny the motion for a YMCA at Mineral Lake.

I think this is bullshit. Pardon my bluntness.

Christianity and loving others as Jesus does, does not mean casting judgment on a resource for our community. We live our lives by loving and caring for others. While YMCA does support a very liberal agenda, it doesn't mean it can't still have an impact.

I am appalled that the pastor specifically said they are opposed to supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion. That's not the Christ like walk I wish to support.

So please, build a YMCA for this community. There is enough racism and hatred in this community already, and our youth need a safe space to be.

God bless

Maria

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From: lsitton@reagan.com
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Concerned about the YMCA Camp
Date: Thursday, February 2, 2023 8:25:41 PM

I want to thank you, Board members, for voting against the YMCA Camp plan at Mineral Lake.

As a Lewis County citizen, I am concerned the YMCA has changed to follow a new culture that strays away from their Christian origins. In doing so they've supported and are continuing to support groups like Black Lives Matter, which were so disruptive to major cities around the USA.

I'm also concerned about their focus on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Along with acknowledging gender identity, sexual orientation and the LGBTQ+ community.

These and other ideas are very concerning for how our children are being manipulated in our society, we do not need a camp that will encourage or support these ideas.

Thank you for your concern and for standing up for the children in our community.

Linda Sitton
280 Sareault Rd
Toledo, WA 98591

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From: [BOCC](#)
To: bms25@cablespeed.com
Cc: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 2:02:17 PM

Thank you for submitting your comments to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC).

Unfortunately, since this is a quasi-judicial matter that will come before the BOCC for a decision at a later date, the Commissioners are unable to respond.

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From: contact@lewiscountywa.gov <contact@lewiscountywa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 1, 2023 1:05 PM
To: Rieva Lester <Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov>; Tammy Martin <Tammy.Martin@lewiscountywa.gov>; BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Michael stone

Email: bms25@cablespeed.com

Message: Please do not approve the Ymca's request to build a camp in Lewis County. They no longer support traditional Christian values Thank you for hearing me , @
bms25@cablespeed.com ..

From: danellebarnett@yahoo.com
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA
Date: Friday, February 3, 2023 11:09:07 AM

I implore you NOT to allow YMCA to have a location Here in Lewis County. They are in support and connection with many questionable organizations what are KNOW to be racist and they also practice disturbing undertakings that allow pedophiles to interact with children. I will leave you to investigate further of your own fruition to leave any baise options aside. IF you care at all about the people of Lewis County and the safety of the children here please Do NOT allow YMCA to set up camp here. Thank you.

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From: [Zander Corwin](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Vote no on the YMCA rezone
Date: Friday, February 3, 2023 11:12:09 AM

Dear Lewis County Commissioner

My name is Zander Corwin. I'm 12 years old. I have heard that YMCA wants to come and build a camp in Lewis County. One of my concerns is that YMCA teaches that nature is a god and I don't think that is good to teach. It would be beneficial that YMCA can't have their camp here. Could you please vote no on the YMCA rezoning.

Zander Corwin
Centralia, WA

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February 3, 2023

Dear Planning Commission,

I am writing in opposition to the proposed YMCA camp.

The YMCA **no longer** holds a good and safe standard for women and children and those that have Christian principles.

By allowing this camp to open would only expand their ideology which on their website states that they support: Black Lives Matter – Diversity, Equity, Inclusion – Focus on Gender identity, expression and sexual orientation and LGBTQ+ - The creation of “Change makers who will, promote the above ideologies. Those are things that should be left to parents to instill at home.

You only have to go to Google and look up the numerous accounts of young girls and women, terrified and shocked...having their rights infringed upon because the YMCA allows naked men in their open changing and shower rooms. This opens the door to allowing young boys to the same abuse. It would be different if only those who have fully transitioned allowed in the changing rooms and showers.

Ordinance 1343 EX A #2 Future Impacts - “future development is likely to have impacts to infrastructure including roads, service providers including the fire district, and potentially the environment.”

Ordinance 1343 EX A #3 Tax Burden - states the YMCA will pay property tax **but** “the cost of improvements to infrastructure or upgrades to services be proportionally paid for by YMCA **and Lewis County.**”

It seems that this would put the taxpayers of Lewis County in a more risky financial position.

Can we really afford to do this when there is already a drain or overload in so many other areas?

How is our immediate budget doing with the infrastructure now?

We need to be fiscally responsible and not gambling on all the unknowns that will surely arise in the future if this was to happen.

I appreciate and thank the Commissioners that have taken a stand against this and understand that it hasn't been easy.

I want to encourage each of the commissioners to continue to oppose the YMCA camp in this county for the long term good of our county.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Lieske

From: [Dan Witt](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: [Spam?] Mineral YMCA
Date: Friday, February 3, 2023 12:03:23 PM
Importance: Low

Greetings!

First off, I would like to thank you for your decision to oppose the proposed "YMCA " camp in Mineral.

I know I don't need to educate you on what YMCA stands for, so I will just share my thoughts on the matter.

In reality, the YMCA doesn't actually exist anymore as "The Y" today, is not at all, "The Y" of yesterday. It is a completely different organization with a totally different emphasis and goal and should not be lurking as wolves under the sheepskin of the YMCA. Today's "Y" is a deception, far removed from the ideals of its founder, George Williams. He would be incensed and deeply grieved at what his beloved organization has become. The YMCA needs to change its name and initialism to something that defines their nefarious objectives that have absolutely nothing to do with anything Christian.

While Christianity supports love and respect for all people, it does not ask us to always support what all people do.

Christianity does not support racism

Does not support gender fluidity

Does not support homosexuality

All of which are issues embraced and accepted by "The Y" of today.

Please hold your ground for us, as the YMCA appeals your decision in the weeks ahead.

Thank You so much!

Dan Witt

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From: [Donna](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Proposed YMCA camp
Date: Saturday, February 4, 2023 12:54:13 PM

I was born in 1945 and grew up in a town where children could safely go outside and play. It was a time when the community looked out for each other, especially for the children. It was a time of innocence allowing children to be children.

I remember the YMCA when it was the Young Men's Christian Association. I was shocked to learn how this organization has drifted from its Christian roots. It has become an organization of perversion.

I am writing first to thank the Board members for their decision to reject the YMCA's plan to build this camp and also ask that YMCA's appeal will be denied.

Thank you for all you do.

Donna Moreland
Winlock

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From: [Robert Richards](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: [Spam?] YMCA Rezone Application - Public Comment
Date: Saturday, February 4, 2023 6:34:56 AM
Importance: Low

Dear Commissioners,

You have been given an “opportunity of a lifetime” by having a YMCA camp conveniently accessible to the citizens of Lewis County.

As a former director of the YMCA of the USA I can attest to the fact that the YMCA is the finest operator of youth camps in America. We operate camps all over the country in all kinds of conditions with campers of all kinds of needs. And we have done it successfully for over a hundred years.

Our national staff of camp designers and camp program advisors provides resources to local YMCA’s to insure that their camps fulfill the needs of the local campers.

The YMCA of Greater Seattle has established a record as a national leader in camp operations. It operates Camp Orkila on Orcas Island in San Juan County and Camp Colman near Longbranch on the Key Peninsula in Pierce County and enjoys excellent relationships with both of those county governments as a responsible county citizen.

I urge you not to pass up this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Richards
Former Director, YMCA of the USA

Robert R. Richards
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15985 Lemolo Shore Dr. NE
Poulsbo, WA 98370

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From: [Justin Richardson](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: [Spam?] YMCA
Date: Sunday, February 5, 2023 9:10:59 AM
Importance: Low

I do not want to see our children indoctrinated by the YMCA. I ask that you stop them from having an influence on our community. Please use your power to prevent this horrible teaching of racism and immorality from entering our community. Thank you

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From: [Rose Marie Ferch](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Proposed YMCA camps
Date: Sunday, February 5, 2023 2:11:27 PM

This is not something that would benefit Lewis County . We have too many other issues that need to be addressed. I hope these camps are not approved .

Sincerely ,
Rose Marie Ferch
204 Alcott Dr
Centralia , Wa 98531

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February 5, 2023

Lewis County Board of Commissioners,

First, I want to thank you for your decision last fall to deny this zoning request.

I am writing again to reinforce my areas of concern regarding this potential rezoning as my concerns have not changed, rather they have gained momentum

Within this issue, there are two things of concern to me as a citizen of Lewis County.

First, while I am not a resident of Mineral, I greatly sympathize with those who live there and wish to have their town left unscathed by the monumental change the rezoning and YMCA camp would cause their community. Some of the areas of concern are:

- poor road infrastructure
- water availability
- environmental impacts
- noise
- lack of available fire and emergency services in the area
- removal of large parcel from tax roles (2,100 acres)

Second - and because I am not a resident of Mineral - more important to me is the concern over the influence that the YMCA would bring to Lewis County and to the children who would attend the camp.

In perusing the YMCA website, it is clear that the organization is no longer what it once was regarding Christian principles. Its support of Black Lives Matter - the stated goal of which is to destroy the nuclear family - is in opposition to foundational Christian and societal principles which are still intact in Lewis County. Its statements of diversity, equity and inclusion have an inordinate focus on gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation and the LGBTQ+ community. On the [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion](#) page of their website, there is a prominent video featuring a lesbian couple and their 3 children extolling the virtues of being welcomed and included at the Y. There are multiple displays of the same type of information throughout the site. I also found that the stated purpose of the YMCA is to create “changemakers” who will, assumedly, promote these ideologies.

Their website is not the only place this information can be found. Articles have appeared in the media revealing some of the results of these ideologies. A few can be found on the [Fox News](#) website.

While I seek to treat all people with respect, I am not in favor of, in fact strongly oppose, the propagation of these ideologies in a camp for children in Lewis County.

Taking into consideration both areas of concern, I strongly encourage you to deny the rezoning request a second time and help prevent this influence from being established in Lewis County.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie MacInnis
679 Highway 603
Chehalis, WA

360-219-6547

From: [Darlene Towle](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA
Date: Sunday, February 5, 2023 5:41:15 PM

- **The YMCA is not what it once was in regard to Christian principles.**
- **The YMCA website states what they support and what their goals are:**
 - **Black Lives Matter**
 - **Diversity, Equity, Inclusion**
 - **Focus on Gender identity, expression and sexual orientation and LGBTQ+ community.**
 - **The creation of "Changemakers" who will, assumedly, promote the above ideologies.**
- **These are not things that I support, nor do I want them promoted in our community to our children.**

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From: [Guy Bauman](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA facility
Date: Monday, February 6, 2023 8:15:05 AM

Attention commissioners, my name is Guy Bauman and my family and I have lived in Lewis county for the past 32 years. We used to be proponents of the YMCA as when we were younger it was an organization to lift up the youth. Now it has gone to a dangerous place of indoctrinating our youth to believe in the things that their ideology wants them to rather than just support them to grow and succeed in life. I, like most of the people I know in this county, believe the organization has lost its way and do not believe a facility should be allowed here. The YMCA is allowing some very dangerous and inappropriate things to take place in their facilities. I urge all of you to examine what the YMCA is all about and come to the right conclusion about what is best for the youth, including Lewis County youth. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Guy Bauman

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From: [Jacoby Corwin](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: Vote no on the YMCA rezone
Date: Monday, February 6, 2023 10:50:40 AM

Vote no on the rezone of the land for the YMCA

Dear Lewis County Commissioners,

I am writing because I am concerned about the YMCA program potentially coming to Lewis County. One of my concerns is that the YMCA teaches values from Black Lives Matter movement. The BLM movement wants to take apart the biblical definition of family. This would not be good for are community.

I am a sixteen year old boy living in Lewis County and I agree that we want to have youth programs and activities in our community to encourage our youth. But I believe that the YMCA's values tear down rather than build up.

Sincerely,

J.P.C
Centralia WA

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From: [Dale Hylton](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: continue to vote NO on the YMCA proposal
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 10:25:36 AM

Mindy & Board of Commissioners,

I believe that the board made the correct decision the first time to NOT allow the rezoning of land that has been proposed for a YMCA Camp.

I recommend that the board again decline any rezoning of the land in Lewis County.

As you know the lessor developed lands in rural areas are what helps make Lewis County a nice place to live with fewer neighbors and larger lots and wildlife. To have the Seattle YMCA want to come into Lewis County and develop the land to higher uses is not desired. My suggestion is they find land in King County where they reside and develop it for a camp. If they want to be close to Mt Rainier they can build in Pierce County where Mt Rainier is located.

Additionally, we moved back to Lewis County because it more met our moral and faith values which the YMCA does not meet. While I do like some policies they have there are more that are against what I believe and have led to dangerous and unaccountable issues for children at the YMCA such as attacks and sexual exposures. We do not want this in Lewis County.

Additionally the impact on the natural land in Mineral will be severely impacted by increased development of the roads and increased traffic having an effect on the wildlife to the area. We want to preserve the natural area as long as possible.

The only benefit Lewis County would get is a small increase in tax revenue. The negative impacts are far greater. There would be minimal employment opportunities as the YMCA hires out of their Seattle offices and not locally for their camps, which are seasonal.

Please consider that the YMCA of Seattle is NOT a good fit for Lewis County and will only bring wrong philosophies which we do not want in Lewis County.

Thank you for listening to your citizens.

Best Regards,

--

Dale Hylton

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From: [Grama](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA Lewis County Rezone
Date: Monday, February 6, 2023 4:34:46 PM

I have many concerns regarding the rezoning of land near Mineral Lake to build a large camp. Lewis County is a rural community and I would like to see it stay that way. Allowing large camps, corporations and industry in such a pristine remote area of our county takes away from all that is beautiful about where we work and live, play and raise our families. If we wanted to change, we would move closer to larger cities.

The impact to the traffic, the noise and the environment by building such a large facility are not something that can be overcome. Once it's built there goes all that has made this area of our county so special for so many years. Not to mention the strain on the fire and emergency services in that area.

I am sure there are many places that would welcome this camp but not in Lewis County. I don't want to fight for a spot around Mineral Lake to enjoy with my grandkids because it is overrun with a large number of people coming and going for their group camps throughout the year.

Vote No on rezoning save our pristine areas for the residents of Lewis County to enjoy, that's why we chose to live here!

Sincerely,

Mary Lieske

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February 2, 2023

Hello, Sean.

I am writing today to express my displeasure on hearing that the YMCA desires to bring its presence to Lewis County, and to ask that you take a stand against it.

Although the YMCA has been historically known throughout the nation for its work in providing activities and resources for youth and families, the organization is also becoming known for actively supporting and championing ideologies that are destructive to our society. The YMCA openly supports the teaching and acceptance of Critical Race Theory and intersectionality, destructive gender and sexuality ideologies, and dangerous and uninformed "defund the police" movements. Rather than encouraging the equity and community connection that such ideologies claim to advance, these ideologies only continually result in increased division and violence, and I am adamantly against allowing the YMCA to bring this into Lewis County.

As elected to represent the people, please hear the concerns and join the citizens of Lewis County in taking a stand against the destructive ideologies that the YMCA would carry into our community. The only way to stop the infection of such ideologies is to stop the vessel of transmission from coming in. The YMCA, and the disease it carries is not welcome in Lewis County.

Thank you for your service to our community!

Respectfully,



Kay W. Nessel

From: warays@juno.com
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: [Spam?] Please Vote Against the YMCA Camp
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 2:20:25 PM
Importance: Low

Dear Mindy,

Please forward this email to the three Commissioners, or use the best means at your disposal to let them know our stand against the proposed YMCA camp at Mineral Lake. We thank them for their first vote against the camp.

We request that the Commissioners continue to vote against allowing the camp to be built. The reasons are:

The YMCA website states that they support:

Black Lives Matter

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion

Focus on gender identity, expression, and sexual orientation and on the LGBTQ+ community

The creation of "Changemakers" who will, assumedly, promote the above ideologies.

We believe that ALL lives matter, including innocent children. The programs above are not things that we support, nor do we want them promoted in our community to our children.

Sincerely,

Victor and Linda Ray

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From: [Susan Sherman](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA proposition
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 2:48:39 PM

2/7/23-

Dear commissioners:

I am writing to plead with you to not allow the YMCA to set up a camp here in Lewis County. Although "Christian" is within the YMCA abbreviation, what they are indoctrinating our children with is immoral and unbiblical. Please help Lewis County be a safe haven for our children. Thank you-

Susan Sherman ~~

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From: [Sherrie Hail-Shea](#)
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: YMCA
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 6:26:37 PM

Message: I am writing to ask for your help in preventing the YMCA from coming to Lewis County. There are many residents in Lewis County who are opposed to this group forming in our conservative County. We voted to be able to have a voice and I have never before spoke out about a policy but felt very compelled to make my feelings known. This group stands for, and supports, all sort so things we try to keep out i.e. CRT being just one of them. I hope that each of you are willing to help vote against allowing them in our community. Thank you for all that you do, Sherrie

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From: ginna72lofton@duck.com
To: [Mindy Brooks](#)
Subject: [Spam?] Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 8:57:12 PM
Importance: Low

Thank you.

From the desk of Virginia G Schnabel

Sent from Proton Mail mobile

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On Feb 7, 2023, 2:01 PM, Mindy Brooks <Mindy.Brooks_at_lewiscountywa.gov_ginna72lofton@duck.com> wrote:

Hi.

The record is currently open to receive written testimony on the Ordinance 1343, Mineral Lake YMCA Rezone proposal. If you have not already resubmitted your comments, please send directly to mindy.brooks@lewiscountywa.gov. Written testimony will be accepted until 4:00 pm on February 13.

Thanks

~

Mindy

From: BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>
Sent: Monday, January 30, 2023 8:28 AM
To: ginna72lofton@duck.com
Cc: Mindy Brooks <Mindy.Brooks@lewiscountywa.gov>
Subject: Re: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

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From: contact@lewiscountywa.gov <contact@lewiscountywa.gov>

Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2023 12:22 PM

To: Rieva Lester <Rieva.Lester@lewiscountywa.gov>; Tammy Martin <Tammy.Martin@lewiscountywa.gov>; BOCC <BOCC@lewiscountywa.gov>

Subject: Email from Commissioners Contact Form

Name: Virginia Schnabel

Email: ginna72lofton@duck.com

Message: Dear Lewis County Commissioners: It has come to my attention that a YMCA youth camp is under consideration within the county. I would like to express my concerns regarding the YMCA's current ideology which allows for biological males to use women's locker rooms, the propagation of critical race theory, and the promotion of transgender and homosexual agendas, without regard to the impact these non-traditional values have on children, families, and our community at large. At a time when traditional moral values are under attack at every level, you as commissioners have an opportunity to say no to an organization which is part of the problem. I strongly urge you to say no to the YMCA's entrance into Lewis County, and to instead find a way to support youth which does not undermine family values, and which protects young hearts, eyes, and minds from the intrusion of inappropriate behaviors brought on by the patently false narrative that people can choose to "identify" as the opposite sex, regardless of what human biology so clearly defines. Sincerely, Virginia Schnabel
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