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Cell Tower Update

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Town of Minerva
Attn: Sue Montgomery Cory, Supervisor
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RE: The Town of Minerva and New York RSA 2 Cellular Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless

Dear Supervisor Montgomery Cory:

Please be advised that Verizon Wireless is still pursuing a site in your area.

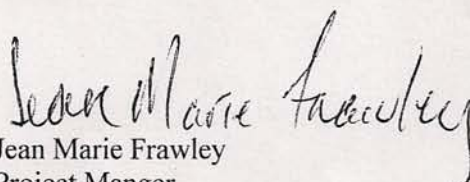
As you are aware, Verizon Wireless has a lease with the Town of Minerva. It was obvious from the balloon test at this site, as well as subsequent additional conversations with you and the representative from the Adirondack Park Agency ("APA"), that there are significant concerns with the visible impact of the proposed structure. Verizon Wireless has been giving serious attention to those concerns and must make sure that all options for a proposed facility are thoroughly considered.

Verizon Wireless is preparing responses to the APA regarding both the Town location as well as a potential alternate location which would provide service for the Town of Minerva. Completion of this process has been hampered by a lengthy winter season, which certainly inhibits surveying and other due diligence involving field work. Verizon Wireless has also been working on improving the leasing and zoning processes to accommodate the APA's desire for more flexibility by Verizon Wireless and the landowners with respect to site location when an application is filed.

All of the above issues have resulted in a delay in responding to the APA on the pending application. The delay is not directly cause by any one party and is certainly not attributable in any specific way either to you, the Town, or even the APA. Simply put, all applications for sites within the Adirondack Park are complicated and time consuming. Those that immediately raise concerns about visual impact become markedly more so.

Hopefully, this letter provides sufficient indication of Verizon Wireless' continued efforts on a facility in the Town of Minerva and will resolve any rumors that the project is being delayed either by the Town or by the APA.

Sincerely,


Jean Marie Frawley
Project Manger

*Note from Town Supervisor
Sue Montgomery Corey*

This cell tower update from Tectonic/Verizon mentions my conversation with the company and implies that I advised the company that there were "significant concerns with the visible impact of the proposed structure". To be accurate, what I told Verizon was that siting the cell tower would require the company to go through the Town's planning and zoning review. That will be true whether they plan to site the tower behind the town hall or anywhere else in town. It is what we would require of anyone who wanted to site a significant facility in town.