

**From:** [Bob Norman](#)  
**To:** [Bolstridge, Karen](#)  
**Subject:** Ext. USCC tower Big Lake Twp.  
**Date:** Friday, September 19, 2014 11:40:51 AM

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Karen,

I must say this Notice Of Extension for the US Cellar Tower in Big Lake Twp. is becoming more ludicrous. After the 8/13/14 meeting at the Princeton Elementary School I sent you an e-mail confirming my support for this telecommunication tower. It is a matter of safety as expressed by many who spoke at the meeting.

Why would a special meeting be reopened at a location in Brewer, Me. to hear a testimony by Scott Kadey who is from the Washington, DC area obviously coming to support his father Dana Kadey who opposes this facility. ? This meeting location is quite an inconvenience to the residents of Big Lake Twp. who might be interested in hearing the testimony of Scott Kadey. The residents of Big Lake Twp. also know that the only reason Mr. Kadey opposes this facility is that he wants it on his property for his own personal gain.

I can't believe you and your committee have prolonged this project for the benefit that so many want and need. It's funny also that each of the 3 opponents that spoke at the 8/13 meeting all have cell phones.

Regards,

Bob Norman

**From:** [Pam Cochran](#)  
**To:** [Bolstridge, Karen](#)  
**Subject:** DP 4944  
**Date:** Friday, September 19, 2014 1:40:31 PM

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I was very upset to receive the Notice of Extension letter re: DP 4944 yesterday. I am frustrated to think you have postponed a decision once again.

It really upset me to read further and find: the hearing will be reopened at 9:00 a.m. on Wed., Oct. 8, 2014.....for the limited purpose of allowing Scott Kadey to testify on DP 4944. My frustration stems from the fact everyone else was told they could send written comments to the Bangor address or to your email. I am not sure why this one person merits a special hearing. He is not a resident and he left here when he graduated in the late 1980s and has not been back except to rarely visit his father Dana Kadey.

It seems like a very shady deal to say the least. Especially since it will be in Brewer at 9:00 a.m. Sure, we are offered a chance to send rebuttals to your address or email but we would have to be in attendance to hear what he had to say. It seems unfair to say the least that you hold a 'special' hearing for just one person. I'm sure he could have received the information regarding DP 4944 and mailed or emailed his opinion just like anyone else since he was not in attendance at the August hearing.

As I'm sure you realize, Big Lake Twp is a 2 hour ride from Brewer, an inconvenience for a 9:00 a.m. hearing. It should also be evident many more people want to have the cell phone tower than the very few who have opposed it's location for their own varied reasons.

Sincerely frustrated, Pamela Cochran

P.S. Please keep in mind this cell phone tower would benefit not only Big Lake Twp. but also residents of Princeton, Grand Lake Stream, Indian Township, Camp owners on the Yates Point Road, The Big Lake Camp Grounds, and The Stud Mill Road not to mention the Fire Dept., Indian Township Police Dept. and the Ambulances of this area.

**From:** [C. Newman](#)  
**To:** [Bolstridge, Karen](#)  
**Subject:** Cell Phone Tower Big Lake Twp  
**Date:** Friday, September 19, 2014 4:06:43 PM

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I am in favor of the tower on the Cochran property, and the meeting that is set for the limited purpose of hearing Mr. Scott Kadey testify is outrageous, anyone attending should be allowed to speak. Mr. Scott Kadey does not even live in this area..

We need this tower. my cell is the only phone I have and it's hit or miss here in this area.. The Cochrans have the perfect spot and so richly deserve this. To move the tower to another property right next door as Mr. Kadey's father has suggested is nothing but greed in my opinion. Keep the proposed tower on the original site..

We need good cell service, It would not only be good for Big Lake, Princeton, but for Grand Lake Stream and the other small towns.

I was not able to attend the meetings as I do work, But i want my voice heard. Allow the tower to be built on the Cochran's property..

Thank you  
Carol Newman  
Princeton Me

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**Cc:** [RepBethTurner@gmail.com](mailto:RepBethTurner@gmail.com); [SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov)  
**Subject:** Big Lake Township Cell Tower  
**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2014 9:12:01 AM

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I sent a prior email to be added to public record regarding the cell phone tower in Big Lake Township. I noticed this morning that my email has not been added. I sent my email on September 4.

I am very much in favor of a cell phone tower in Big Lake Township. I do not believe that the tower will hurt the natural beauty in our area. When I look up at the sky (day or night) I look at the stars, etc. A tower may be seen from certain areas, but the benefits far outweigh the negatives.

I live and play in the area, with my husband and two small children. There is virtually no cell service in that area, which could mean life or death in an emergency situation. I pray that I never need the service for that reason, but I worry that it is inevitable that someone will suffer unnecessarily if we do not get better cell service in this area.

Please also keep in mind how often land lines are down in this area. A cell tower would alleviate a lot of unneeded stress for families in this area when this happens.

Sincerely,

Leslie Monk  
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Sent from my iPad

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**Subject:** Cell tower in Big Lake Twsp.  
**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2014 10:12:42 AM

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I just have a question about this latest development on the cell tower in Big Lake Township. Actually, I have three or four/

1. If what we had to say at the hearing in Princeton on August 13, 2014 has no influence on the outcome, why is there a special hearing for one person to speak?
2. Why is what he has to say matter more than the hundreds of proponents who are for the tower?
3. Why, if Scott Kadey is so interested in his property, is the meeting being held in Brewer? It makes it very difficult for the working people who actually live in this county and township and surrounding area to attend. If he was so interested in his property, why did he not make the time to come to the hearing in August?

I guess I have a lot of questions. I will say, my husband has been diagnosed with cancer and we have lots of phone calls going back and forth and the cell phone keeps us connected when we are away from home WHEN we can get reception which is not dependable here or in the surrounding area.

Thank you,  
Margaret S. Cochran

**From:** [Bethany Borden](#)  
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**Cc:** [RepBethTurner@gmail.com](mailto:RepBethTurner@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** cell phone tower in Big Lake Township  
**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2014 11:01:33 AM

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I'm a single mother with three children and I live in Princeton. If its decided that the cell phone tower can be built, it will benefit me as well as many others. And to be honest, i dont understand what all the fuss is about. Even if it weren't going to benefit anyone besides Chris and Melanie Cochran, they have two children with special needs and they have a right to be able to contact emergency services if they need to. There are very few people that use land lines anymore, cell phones are a way of life now. Nothing is uglier than telephone poles but people don't complain about that because they want their electricity. And this cell phone tower will be a lot less intrusive than telephone poles are, They are even making cell phone towers in national parks now, these towers are made to look like tree's. And quite frankly, i don't understand how anyone has the right to tell anyone else that they cant put something on their own property. I could understand if someone was wanting to build this right in the middle of town and they were possibly creating an eye sore in a largely public area, but Big Lake Township is at the very end of Princeton in an area that few people will ever see it or know that its there. I know someone who works for the fire department who has stated that the tower will even benefit the department. How can we say no to something that will even benefit our emergency services? This isnt just about one family, its about the whole town and what is best for the town. And in this case, the benefits/pros by far out weight the cons. I think its a little bit ridiculous that this has turned into the problem that it has, and that it is taking so long to make a decision. I hope that the delays in making a decision turn out to be worth the wait.

Sincerely,  
Bethany

**From:** [chrisnmel@pwless.net](mailto:chrisnmel@pwless.net)  
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**Cc:** [RepBethTurner@gmail.com](mailto:RepBethTurner@gmail.com); [SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov)  
**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2014 11:32:16 AM

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Good Morning! My husband Christopher Cochran and I would first like to thank all of the commissioners for their time and effort put into considering the proposed tower on our property. We would also like to thank you all for coming to Princeton and holding a public hearing for interested people. We understand that you have put much time and effort into this proposal. We are also writing to you now with a few questions and concerns. We are concerned about the process following the public hearing that was held in August. The hearing was held at a difficult time for people to attend. Many interested people were not aware of this meeting. The Princeton Town Office was unaware of this hearing. The Passamaquoddy Tribal Council were also unaware of this hearing. Many people had to leave work early, not go to work that day, or not be able to attend the hearing at all. As you could see... many people still came to the hearing to show their support for the construction of the tower. At the end of the hearing we were asked to send emails to the commission stating for public record if we were in favor or not in favor of the tower. I have seen the public records myself. I see that most are in favor of constructing the tower. Some people have come to me concerned that their emails have not been entered into the public records. I am unsure of the reasoning for this. I would also like to ask why the hearing will be closed and reopened again? Is this for the one person that demanded any further actions of this proposal be halted? Why was Mr. Scott Kadey not asked to send a formal email with his comments on the proposal like the many people that went to the public hearing in August? As people who couldn't make the hearing were advised to do. Does reopening the hearing for Wednesday, October 8 mean that interested persons that could not make the August hearing in Princeton can come to the hearing in October to testify? Or is the hearing just for Mr. Kadey? If yes. Why is it being held just for him? We would also like to ask why the reopening of the hearing is being held in Brewer on such a day and time that would not be possible for many to attend? I am receiving many messages and emails with many concerns about how this process is going. We know that you are all very busy people, but it seems that there are many questions and concerns from the majority of the town and area that should be considered. Please consider this a public record. Thank you so much for your attention in this process!

Sincerely,

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or

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Big Lake Twp., ME  
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**Subject:** Cell tower in Big Lake Township  
**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2014 4:13:20 PM

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Hi Karen,

I understand you are not in the office, but I wanted to write my concern about the "new" hearing on the U.S. Cell Tower in Big Lake Township scheduled for Oct. 8 @ 9:00 a.m. in Brewer. I wrote to you, via email, after the Aug mtg to comment as we were instructed to do at the hearing at Princeton Elementary School. I do understand there is a process. What I don't understand in this situation is why schedule a separate hearing to listen to one individual. If I as a supporter of the tower wish to have another hearing, would I be afforded the same opportunity? If this is the case this "process" could go on into the next year. I understand you have a need to listen to all sides which is appreciated. Everyone had the "same" opportunity at the hearing to express his/her opinions plus you extended the date to forward comments to you. That was appreciated. But for those of us who have spotty cell service at best, we would like the tower in place sooner rather than later.

Thank you for the chance to express how important this cell tower is to so many of us.

Sincerely,

Sharon Norman

Big Lake Township



**From:** [Pam Cochran](#)  
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**Subject:** DP 4944  
**Date:** Saturday, September 20, 2014 5:05:51 PM

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Karen,

First I wish to apologize for not having all the facts correctly stated in my earlier email. I did not realize Scott Kadey had acquired any property in Big Lake Twp. This fact seems to have been overlooked by others as well since I thought all of the neighbors of this property received notification of the proposal at a much earlier date.

Second I wish to express my continued support of having this cell phone tower installed on Chris Cochran's property. I do not think the location will cause excessive noise from the wind or too much light obstructing the night skies. Lights from the Princeton Airport and from the mill in Baileyville, (Woodland) are visible from lots of locations in our area and they do not present any issues. My home and property are located across the street from the Chris Cochran property and I look forward to the tower and improved cell phone service. Presently we have to search for service which can be stressful during storms, illness and power outages.

Thank you,

Pamela Cochran

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**From:** [Deborah Daggett](#)  
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**Cc:** [SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov](mailto:SenDavid.Burns@legislature.maine.gov); [RepBethTurner@gmail.com](mailto:RepBethTurner@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** DP 4944 Big Lake Township  
**Date:** Sunday, September 21, 2014 12:21:54 PM

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Karen,

I am writing in support of the cell tower on Big Lake Township. Having a cell tower would improve safety and communication in this rural area, for it's residents as well as those who spend time in the area for whatever reasons. Please enter this testimony as public record.

Thank you,  
Deborah Daggett

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**Subject:** US Cellular Tower for Big Lake Township.  
**Date:** Sunday, September 21, 2014 8:48:06 PM

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I am writing to voice my concerns on the recent letter that was mailed to the Cochran's this past week. I support the building of a cell tower on the Cochran property in Big Lake Twp.

It seems that the comment period has been extended again.... This hardly seems necessary to hold a hearing for Scott Kadey. Scott Kadey is Dana Kadey's son and there is no reason that he could not submit his comments just like everyone else has. I feel it is unfair that a person that lives in Conneticut should be allowed their own "limited" hearing to speak for 3 minutes the same as everyone that spoke at the August 12 hearing did.

When the hearing was held in Princeton in August we all were led to believe that a decision would be made at the September meeting. Now it will be November before a decision is made on wether the tower is to be constructed or not.

Thank you

Brad Richard  
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**Subject:** Big Lake Twp Cell Tower  
**Date:** Sunday, September 21, 2014 9:47:10 PM

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Ms. Bolstridge,

I am writing you today in regards of the new cell phone tower that is proposed to go up in Big Lake Township. I am of the understanding that there is a delay in the building of said tower. As a concerned citizen and one that is not only a law enforcement officer but also an avid outdoorsman. The longer that this tower is delayed the longer people in emergency situations may be without life saving communications. I would just like to know what would hold up or delay such a tower being built. I for one feel that being such a rural community that more cell phone service coverage is a necessity. We have thousands of tourists or seasonal residents that would benefit from it as well. Please if you can explain to me why such an important project could be held up.

Thank you for your time,

Gary J. Bryant II  
A concerned citizen.

Sent from Samsung tablet

**From:** [Livesay, Nicholas](#)  
**To:** [Bolstridge, Karen](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Cochran, Melanie - Website: Share Your Views  
**Date:** Monday, September 22, 2014 4:03:38 PM

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Please add to the record. These are comments that have been forwarded from the Governor's Office.

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From: chrisnmel@pwless.net [<mailto:chrisnmel@pwless.net>]  
Sent: Sunday, September 21, 2014 11:10 AM  
To: Governor  
Subject: Cochran, Melanie - Website: Share Your Views

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I am writing in reference to a proposed cell phone tower on me and my husbands property. The LUPC has issued this as DP 4944. Almost two years ago Black Diamond Consultants knocked on our door asking if we would be interested in allowing a 250 foot tower on our property. With careful consideration we agreed to proceed with allowing the tower. Applications were submitted. Notifications sent to land owners. Permits were already approved. A public hearing was requested by very few local land owners. There was a hearing held at Princeton Elementary School on August 13, 2014. The hearing was located on a day and time that was very difficult for people to attend. The local town office and many locals were not even aware of this hearing. There was a huge attendance in favor of the tower. There was at least 50 people at this hearing. There was probably 5 people in attendance that were not in favor. At the end of the hearing we were advised by LUPC to send emails to the commission. If !

people were not able to attend the hearing, they were also advised to send an email. The hearing was documented to close on August 25th. That time has now been extended to October 27th! LUPC is reopening the hearing to allow one sole person who is not in favor of this tower to attend a hearing in Brewer on October 8, 2014. The community is in an uproar. There are concerns about allowing this one person to attend a hearing just for him. The questions are ... Why is this one person the only one to be allowed at this hearing? Why was he not advised to send his testimony in writing or email such as everyone else that couldn't attend the hearing was? I would also like to state that the people in the area that are not in favor are not against cell phone towers. They want the tower placed on the property of their choice. When the local townspeople heard about US Cellulars plan to construct this tower on our property...they were very excited. Excited for cell phone service. Excited fo! r our family. Having two children with Autism... the tower would be a great asset to the safety of our children as well as a financial help. Having cell phone service in this area will benefit so many people. In emergency situations cell phone service can be a critical life saver. We feel that those who are not in favor of the tower have had plenty of time and opportunity to let their voices be heard. Those in favor have also had plenty of time. This just seems to be lingering on and on. While there is a community wanting service in the area. We are all beginning to question how this has been handled by LUPC since the hearing in August. People are simply disgusted...

**From:** [Sue McIver](#)  
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**Subject:** Cell Tower in Big Lake Township  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 23, 2014 8:35:47 AM

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Good Morning,

First of all I would like to personally thank-you for all that you do for our Great State and County, it is very much appreciated. I am however very upset at the extensions on the cell tower in Big Lake Township. After attending the Meeting at the Princeton School it should have been a closed issue. With only 3 opposed.

We own a home on the Lake in Big Lake Township. We are one of the very few on the Lake that have cell service. The service is at certain parts of our home and property but in emergency situations we do have it. One year ago on July 19th my Husband and Grandson had just arrived at the Lake at 5:30 PM and were opening up windows. My Husband had been upstairs and went to go down the stairs when his Patella Tendon broke causing him to fall down a flight of stairs. He was unable to get up and stay up. Our 7 year old Grandson was able to call his Dad to come for help. If we had not had cell service a bad situation would have been so much worse as I was out and would not have returned home until around 10:30 PM. My husband would have had to lay there for hour and not to say how this would have affected our Grandson.

We were so blessed to have had service. I would like to have you move quickly on this so that our Neighbors can also have the service that is needed. It seems to me that greed is at the root of this delay as Mr. Kadey and his Son would like to have it on their property. We really feel that the Cochran property was a good choice, as the extra income would be a real blessing to the Cochran Family. Mrs. Cochran is unable to work as she has 2 Autistic Children and is a full time responsibility.

Please do not delay this any longer as many would definitely benefit from it. Isn't life more precious than the look of a Cell Tower. Please stop to think if you had a home in this area what would be best for the safety of your Family. Thank-You for taking the time to read this.

Respectfully Yours,

Sue McIver

Baileyville and Big Lake Township Resident