

By Joe Ingino Editor/Publisher "I live a dream in a nightmare world"

#### **OSHAWA SPORTS ALLIANCE On The** Right Track... YOU HAVE MY SUPPORT

On August 30th, 2018 Oshawa Sports Alliance hosted and open house to introduce a proposed 100 acre facility in Oshawa that would host a multi purpose sports complex.

The presentation started with the fact that events such as the 2017 Frank Sobil Spring Classic Soccer Tournament brought into Oshawa/Durham Region 1.8 million in tourist dollars. This is one event. Once a year. Imagine the potential if multiple event could be scheduled at the same time and on a constant through the year. The argument revolved around the fact that Oshawa is growing and with the increase number of new people. We need to prepare and assure that our facilities are top notch.

In attendance there were various city elect dignitaries as well as many municipal Oshawa candidates.

Even thought the proposal is just that. I believe that Oshawa the Giant crown jewel in Durham has sat in slumber for to long and opportunities and ideas like these have sat idling. Oshawa needs awakening. Awaken to a GIANT opportunity for all. Oshawa is a beautiful city. It is also a dormant city. With your vote this up coming election we can change that.

Oshawa Sports Alliance is a testament to the potential Oshawa has. During the meeting none of the incumbent members of council raised a question and showed any interest or concern. DO WE NOT NEED TO CHANGE THIS. My bad. Councillor Gail Bates asked a few questions but she seemed to be so off topic and so confused on the importance of the project that she was shushed by others in attendance.

Bates attitude is the prevalent attitude by the current council. It appears that council does not care. Council is more important on keeping the status quo then do something positive for the people of Oshawa. Dan Carter, Mayoral candidate in his famous style just sat there and smiled. As if the importance of the presentation was beyond his comprehension. Candidate Sara Lear brought up some interesting questions... even though trivial. As a new candidate in the race she seemed to be on point. Candidate Ken Carruthers asked various question that were expected of a new comer to politics. Adam Kunz just took notes.

Half way through the presentation we were reminded of the words of our forefathers on the importance of partnerships: "It is an accepted concept that in a large and growing community such as Oshawa no one agency, private or public can hope to take care of all the program needs and provide all the program facilities. Private, public and commercial agencies all play a vital part in the leisure time living of our citizens. This is as it should be." Wow, what a powerful message from the past and how true to the word it is on what we should be doing today.

We need change. We need to acknowledge the potential of what was proposed and explore every avenue. At the end of the meeting I expressed on behalf of those in attendance my appreciation to the presenters on the information they had presented. I also told them that under my administration. Their proposal was not just a proposal but a real opportunity that If I was elected as your new mayor. The sports complex will become a reality. The complex will be a partnership between Oshawa Sports Alliance, the city and various private investors. Investors such as Walmart, Lowes, Canadian Tire, Indigo, No Frills, Can Lan, OLG, Ontario Hydro, Staples, GO, Best Buys, Sports Check, IKEA, Consumers Gas, Royal Bank, BMO, Toronto Dominion, Scotia Bank, Durham College, Ontario government, Federal government and many more.

Proposal like these are what we need. These can become a reality if with the proper negotiation and vision. By what we seen last night. It is obvious that our city elect have no real direction or leadership. Most have sat on council for way to long. Dan Carter for mayor... really. I have one question. If he answers it honestly and truthfully I will resign my candidacy. Dan, what have you done in your term in office as councillor for the people of Oshawa?

I think Dan is a great human being. A great broadcaster and a great family man. I just don't think he has what it takes to awaken Oshawa and bring proposal like these to fruition. His term in office has proven just that. I may not have all the answer or profess to know all. All I can offer is opportunity to utilize my 30 plus years in business and awaken the sleeping GIANT has become into a GIANT opportunity for future generations to enjoy.

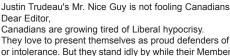
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Canadians are growing tired of Liberal hypocrisy.

They love to present themselves as proud defenders of pluralism, often stating that Canada has no place for hatred or intolerance. But they stand idly by while their Members of Parliament hand out awards to individuals guilty of incit-

Just a few weeks ago, Liberal MP Iqra Khalid presented an official award to Amin El-Maoued, the public relations chief for Palestine House - an organization that lost its federal funding back in 2012 because of "its pattern of support for extremism." Mr. El-Maoued is notorious for leading a rally in 2017 where people chanted slogans like "Israel and Hitler are the same"

Shockingly enough, this was the third time this Liberal MP gave an award to Mr. El-Maoued, despite being warned about his reputation by concerned advocacy groups. This Liberal MP only rescinded the award after she was caught. Canadians are left to wonder: what side is the Liberal government on? Why do they keep associating with extrem-

Canada's Conservatives know that this is wrong. We will work hard to make sure everyone feels at home in our country. Sincerely

The Hon. Peter Kent, MP **Shadow Minister of Ethics** Member of Parliament for Thornhill

The discussion of equal rights in sports has taken another hit with the penalty given to Alize Cornet during the US open. She took off her top to correct its orientation - admittedly it's a bit silly to put it on the wrong way. It was not particularly immodest as more could be seen at any of the local beach without causing offense.

The ruling of 'unsportsmanlike conduct' seems unrealistic in this case as it suggests either a tantrum on a loss or something closer to the displays designed to distract or intimidate an opponent. The fact that it is a '...man...' offense also adds to the folly as men can take their top without any penalty

Tennis has improved with more equitable prize money although some still debate the three/five sets difference. There is still a long way to go although it is pleasing to see some initial positives coming from this

Regards. Dennis Fitzgerald Melbourne, Australia

The Honourable Erin O'Toole, Conservative Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, today issued the following state-

"Justin Trudeau and the Liberals are in a last minute dash to salvage a NAFTA deal for Canada. After three months on the sidelines, Canada is now back at the table. Canada's Conservatives hope that our professional negotiators, led by Steve Verheul, can forge a deal that protects jobs and wider Canadian interests that flow from trade

"Canada's workers, innovators and supply chains are critical to American economic success. Since the 1960s our economies have been heavily integrated and that has helped the United States become a global economic power. American achievements have come from trade and engagement not from isolation and economic timidity

"Our collaboration on North American defence and military procurement has also secured the continent and led to generations of American servicemen and women serving alongside Canadians. A Canadian officer was on duty on 9/11 and a Canadian-born USAF General now commands both our countries in NORAD. It is hoped that this alliance and security partnership is not forgotten in the negotiations and at a time when tariffs are being applied under the guise of security. Canada has been and will always be the United States greatest trade and security part-

"If agricultural trade is part of the final round of negotiations, the United States needs to finally back up rhetoric with action. For decades, the U.S. has heavily subsidized its agricultural sectors. In fact, the U.S. treasury spends more on farm subsidies each year than Canada does on its military. Free and fair trade must be a two way street. "Reality has now descended on the Trudeau government. Left behind are the domestic political posturing points of their 'progressive agenda' and now the talks are focused exactly where they should have been all along. Market access, regulatory cooperation and mutual success should be the focus for exporters on both sides of the border. "While Canada's Conservatives are profoundly concerned that the Liberals failed to take NAFTA modernization talks seriously over the last year, we remain optimistic that Canada, the United States and Mexico will negotiate in good faith to finalize an agreement that is a win for all of our countries and the millions of jobs that depend on free and fair trade

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