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Greetings Mr. Eshleman and Sherriff Casaus,

As you can see, I had emailed Commissioner Bruch about the ordinance to ban feeding of wildlife that has been proposed. She referred me to the two of you for answers to my questions. Specifically,

1. What was the origin of this ordinance?
2. Were there forums conducted in the areas to be affected which provided the foundation structure for the actual draft of the proposed ordinance, and if so how were they promoted? I never saw any information about such public hearings. It seems odd for such a sweeping ordinance to be proposed, which directly regulates the property owners activities on their properties with no opportunity to provide feedback into the new ordinance being drafted. What was the process for drafting this ordinance?
3. Why the dwelling portion? I get the roadways, but the 500' from any dwelling seems more punitive rather than providing for the safety, preserving the health, promoting the prosperity and improving the morals, order, comfort and convenience of any county or its inhabitants - are the wildlife not considered to be inhabitants? Why not simply 500' from any public roadway? I'd like to understand the justification for penalizing individuals who, on their own property, choose to provide food, salt, or other nutrients in areas where these elements may be limited.
4. And along with that, water is okay? I see nothing about water in the proposed ordinance.

Thank you for any information you can provide as I prepare for the Feb 8 commission meeting.

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