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"The primary objects
of civil society are the
security of property
and public safety."

James Madison
Philadelphia Convention
1787



- **Their is an attempt by King County staff personnel to coerce the 16 independent rural land land owner Ag. Commission to impose an insane 1950 sq. ft. rural home size.**
- **The proposed regulation appears to be coming primarily from one rural "farmer" alleged to to have black tarped a large section of her few acre "farm".**
- **A number of King County government staffers who *I suspect are* receiving direct encouragement from the Seattle greens, e.g. 1000 "Friends" of Washington (Futurewise) and CELP along with the office of Ron Sims and DDES.**
- **WA State, King County & city governments have so perverted the natural and constitutional laws and rights over private property & free people as to enslave us all.**
- **America is in a death spiral (of freedom) of ever increasing strangulating regulation, coercion and illegitimate taxes.**
- **Government & its legends of takers have become the number one enemy of free people.**
- **No court, legislature, executive office, politician, environmentalist, green business, council/commission can take another man's natural & constitutional private property.**
- **Twenty Citizens Alliance For Property Rights and National Association of Rural Land**

Owners showed up telling them what freedom does not mean, i.e. limiting ones home size.

- The word is, the Ag Commission and the county environmental staffers are now going to offer three variations of this 1950 sq. ft. restriction. They will be painted as voluntary only....for now. We all know what "voluntary" means in King County and Washington State, i.e. the camel's nose under the tent.
- It appears that few on the Ag Commission or in the King County & State government know know what freedom means.

• No person has a right to take the following from another though government or non government body:

- *my home*
- *my land*
- *my water on my land*
- *the use of my land including my land next to my water*
- *the size of my home*
- *the size of my vehicles*
- *the roads on my land*
- *the freedom to manage my land the way I please*
- *the freedom to manage my way of life*
- *the freedom to speak for myself without others usurping my rights behind my back*
- *the freedom to not have others planning my life, my land, my resources behind my back thru unelected and even "elected" representatives*
- *the freedom to plan my own community with my neighbors vs. unelected government and non government out of towners*
- *my freedom of future use of my land as an investment to my retirement*
- *my freedom of future use unencumbered in anyway to give to my family*

There is no compromise on any of these takings.

- *You either have all of these natural rights or you have none*
- *You are either completely free or you are a slave of the State.*
- *Natural and constitutional rights cannot be regulated, compromised or taken by anyone.*
- *The property owners are the stake holders, they are the land.*

1. *"Either you have a right to own property, or you are property." - Wayne Hage, March 1992*

2. *"Law represents the effort of man to organize society; governments, the efforts of selfishness to overthrow liberty". Henry Ward Beecher 1813- 1887*

2. *"Freedom is a fragile thing and is never more than one generation away from extinction. It is not ours by inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people. Those who have known freedom, and then lost it, have never known it again." -- Ronald Reagan*

3. *Susette Kelo, the woman at the center of Kelo v. New London sent a holiday greeting card to some of the current and former members of the city council and New London Development Corp. Here's the text, accompanying a snowy image of Kelo's pink house. Can you detect Ms. Kelo's rage?*

*Here is my house that you did take
From me to you, this spell I make
Your houses, your homes
Your family, your friends
May they live in misery
That never ends
I curse you all
May you rot in hell*

*To each of you
I send this spell
For the rest of your lives
I wish you ill
I send this now
By the power of will*

4. *Natural Law and Natural Rights - The following are extracts from this 19 page READ treatise to understand freedom. <http://jim.com/rights.html>*

- *Law derives from our right to defend ourselves and our property, not from the power of the state. state.*

- *If law was merely whatever the state decreed, then the concepts of the rule of law and of legitimacy could not have the meaning that they plainly do have, the idea of actions being lawful and unlawful would not have the emotional significance that it does have.if the Athenian assembly could decree whatever law it chose, then such laws were “not law, but merely force”. The Athenian assembly promptly proceeded to prove him right by issuing decrees that were clearly unlawful, and with the passage of time its decrees became more and more lawless.*
- During the dark ages, the knowledge of natural law, like much other ancient knowledge, was kept alive by the church. This knowledge proved very useful. Hordes of armed refugees wandered this way and that, thus tribal and customary law was often inadequate for resolving disputes. Sometimes a king would rise up and impose his peoples customary law on everyone around, but such kings came and went, and their laws and institutions faded swiftly.
- In England the theory of natural law led to the Magna Carta, the Glorious Revolution, the declaration of right, and the English Enlightenment. It was the basis for the US revolution and the US bill of rights.
- A ruler that violates natural law is illegitimate. He has no right to be obeyed, his commands are mere force and coercion. Rulers who act lawlessly, whose laws are unlawful, are mere criminals, and should be dealt with in accordance with natural law, as applied in a state of nature, in other words they and their servants should be killed as the opportunity presents, like the dangerous animals that they are, the common enemies of all mankind.
- John Locke's writings were a call to arms, an assertion of the right and duty to forcibly and violently remove illegitimate rulers and their servants.
- This provided the moral and legal basis for many great revolutions, and many governments. After the American revolution the North Americans were governed more or less in accordance with natural law for one hundred and thirty years.
- In the nineteenth century people started to forget what natural law was, and today he is often often criticized on grounds that are irrelevant, foolish, and absurd.
- Throughout most of our evolution, men have been in a state of nature, that is to say, without government, hierarchically organized religion, or an orderly and widely accepted means of resolving disputes.
- Hobbes saw rights as a creation of state power: Therefore, in order that we might have more more and better rights, state power should be as absolute and total as possible. The state should pervade and dominate every relationship in order to provide everyone with justice and rights, and suppress any form of association that it does not create and control, and the the state should silence any criticism of its absolute power (so that we might be more free).

- As Locke argued, and as the twentieth century dramatically showed, inequality of power does not lead to less use of unjust force, but to greater use of unjust force. Human wickedness is an argument for liberty, not an argument for absolute forms of government.
- During the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries natural law was accepted in men's heads and in courts of law, as it always has been accepted in men's hearts. The advocates of absolutism were defeated, first intellectually, then politically, and then by force of arms. Kings who claimed to rule by divine right were killed or forced to flee.
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- A yeoman was the lowest rank of landowner, one who worked his own land or his families land, in modern terminology a peasant farmer. A villain was a sharecropper, a farmer with no land of his own, semi free, more free than a serf, though not directly equivalent to the modern free laborer. ... Villains had little to gain, but less to lose. People acted in accordance with their interests, and so the word yeoman came to mean a man who uses force in a brave and honorable manner, in accordance with his duty and the law, and villain came to mean a man who uses force lawlessly, to rob and destroy.
- In practice free societies only arose where there was no monopoly of force, the most notable and important examples being seventeenth century England and eighteenth century North America. England, in the late seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries, exemplified the medieval ideal of liberty under law, and Kingly rule under law. In the English speaking world, government started to display disregard for natural rights about fifty years after they introduced a police force, about the time that people took power who had grown up in a state where police enforced the law
- The best present day example of a society with strong social controls and weak government controls, a society with plurality of force, is Switzerland. (Kopel, p278- 302) In peacetime the the Swiss army has no generals, no central command. Everyone is his own policeman. By no no coincidence Switzerland is also the best modern example of the right to bear arms. Almost Almost every house in Switzerland contains one or more automatic weapons, the kind of guns that the American federal government calls "assault rifles with cop killer bullets". Switzerland has strict gun controls to keep guns out of the hands of children, lunatics and criminals, but every law abiding adult can buy any kind of weapon. Almost every adult male owns at least one gun, and most have more than one, because of social pressures and the the expectation that a respectable middle class male citizen should be well armed and skillful skillful in the use of arms. It is also no coincidence that respect for property rights in Switzerland is amongst the highest in the world, possibly the highest in the world. Switzerland also has lower tax levels than any other industrialized country.
- Today the state is losing cohesion and its ability and willingness to maintain order and

enforce the law is visibly diminishing. We can once again expect to see armed conflict between the modern equivalent of villains and yeomen. Indeed we are already seeing it.

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