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Dear South Huron Council Members:

I read the following article with interest:

<https://lfpres.com/news/local-news/lion-owners-eye-sanctuary-near-grand-bend-amid-officials-safety-fears/wcm/f2e85601-174e-41d2-acc2-d06fb42be57c/>

Vanderwel says he "owns" these lions and that he "adopted" them. How do you know any of that? Sounds like he has no receipt.

He says he has lots of experience and tells a story in his submission to you that MIGHT NOT be truthful. I'm sure you are taking that into consideration.

I think it's very important for these young cubs to be in a REAL wildlife sanctuary where they can be among their own kind. Here is one that might give them REAL happiness. This place is actually where dozens of the tigers from Tiger King "Joe Exotic" were placed, after being taken out of that guy's "care". I have been here, and the animals are cared for WONDERFULLY! These cubs don't need to be alone in Ontario.

<https://www.wildanimalsanctuary.org/>

Lions and tigers should not be kept in some guy's barn or a random Ontario property near Lake Huron. They should be with others like them - THAT is what is kind and caring.

When they get older, they are going to want to mate! And if they don't have that option in South Huron, you and Vanderwel will all have a REAL problem.

Sincerely,  
Gena