

To the Editor:

I am wondering if you would join me in asking Mr. Naser, Ms. McCaleb and Mr. Nieuwenhuis why they are so determined to exterminate the entire deer herd of Grand Haven. 54 were counted in a census flyover (one of the ONLY data points they have), 22 were killed (10 of them babies), 8 more died “mysterious” deaths in the cemetery. That leaves 24 deer alive. Far below the DNR recommended deer per square mile number.

How many do you want dead Mr. Naser? The DNR won't give you a number because they say there are not too many. Do you have a number in mind or will you allow the sharpshooters to arbitrarily make it up as the carcasses stack up?

Why are you not pursuing and spreading the word regarding alternative solutions that are working for people in our area as they learn to coexist with wildlife? Why do you not help educate the public with regards to the wet weather NOT the deer being the reason for the high tick numbers right now? Why continue to spend OUR money on YOUR desire to “finish the job you started” when it has been shown you are just wasting our tax dollars? Lots of questions Mr. Naser, perhaps you think you won't be held accountable anymore since you are out of office in November. Hopefully whoever takes your place will hold the city manager and his assistant Lisa to a higher standard of accountability than was seen with the handling of this debacle.

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