My first encounter with Lynette was years ago when she and Jeremy rented the home directly behind my place of business. At that time we were marking hundreds of holes for the material bin posts. Their dog was running loose and coming into my yard and erasing the marks by running over them. I had to explain to Lynette how they were causing damage and asked her to keep them on her property.

The following winter I was flooded out by erosion from their property. My yard was engulfed in horse manure and mud 2–3 " deep. It cost me \$6000 for my crew and myself to scrape the yard and remove the manure and mud, which also was washed down onto my cement parking area. We had to cut in a swale behind the material bins to divert their waist and water. I received no monetary contribution to help with the expense.

On several occasions, I arrived at my yard in the morning to find horse manure and horse tracks through my yard, which took place after business hours. Eventually, they moved to the property where they currently reside.

My new neighbors were friendly and maintained the land by rotating the horse arena between two different areas to allow vegetation to grow and hold the soil stable. They cleaned up the horse manure regularly and we never experienced a fly problem. At some point, I was informed about the constant irrigating of the weeds on Lynette and Jeremy's property with water running 24/7. We're all on wells here and this seems like an irresponsible and frivolous use of the water.

Last year we couldn't help notice the extreme amount of flies in our yard. Customers were bothered and commented to us about it. We were unable to open the windows of any of the trucks because if we did, we would get in to find each truck fly infested. We experienced an increased number of flies in the store and office as well. My neighbors informed me of the ridiculous number of horses (upwards of 40) on Lynette and Jeremy's property. They told me about the mounds of horse manure and the overall condition of the property. I felt like this certainly was affecting my customers and business so I contacted Environmental Health.

Later I heard they listed the incorrect zoning on the original application and what they were doing, wasn't even permitted on that property.

I understand at some point this year the county instructed them to cease operations and the many horses were evidently moved to other locations. Well here we are back to summer again and I understand they are back up to 46+ horses and ignoring orders from the county. The flies are back again and I have nothing on my property to entice them. I keep a clean yard and I have no animals.

I was shown on Facebook where they had lashed out stating that their neighbors were trying to buy their property out from under them. I have no knowledge of any of the neighbors having any interest in purchasing that property. However, they like me are extremely frustrated with Lynette and Jeremy for the way they choose to act/react and conduct business not caring about how it affects their neighbors. This is not a place for a business like theirs as it has negative effects on all of the neighbors not to mention the roadway.

This year I witnessed two of their dogs, running through my yard on three different occasions. I let it go, but then one night they dug up all around my shed, throwing dirt and rocks all around, leaving a pile in the walkway to the rear of the building. I contacted Animal Control and when they arrived, they told me they would cite them. I asked the animal control officer to send someone down from their property to clean up the mess their dogs created. NEITHER occurred.

At this point, they have burned too many bridges with respect to most of the neighbors. Perhaps we wouldn't be here today, had they conducted business in a professional manner by keeping a reasonable number of horses, cleaning up the horse manure daily, implementing a fly reduction program, not blocking the roadway to neighboring homes, keeping their animals on their own property and just being conscientious neighbors. Unfortunately, they have and are demonstrating that they will continue "business as usual" regardless of zoning, county enforcement and the negative impact on their neighbors. What this comes down to is, is this a permitted use for this property and are they operating within the parameters set forth?

Sincerely,

Randy Craig