

New Credit residents fight council's zoning bylaw

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NEW CREDIT- A group of about 30 local residents said they are willing take their fight to dump a local zoning bylaw to the Minister of Indian Affairs if New Credit Band Council does not hear their protest.

The group are demanding the New Credit Band Council rescind a local residency bylaw that, they say, has prevented at least four people from building homes on their own lands.

And, they said, most of the community didn't even know they had

a zoning bylaw in place until local people tried to access housing money.

Former band council chief Maurice Laforme said one local resident put in a driveway and mapped out where his house would be when he applied for housing money.

"They told him he couldn't build there because it wasn't zoned residential. It's his own land. They said he couldn't get housing dollars unless he conformed to their zoning bylaw. We didn't even know there was a bylaw."

LaForme said the council is hold-
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