

David Chanski

From: Joe Zierden
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 1:54 PM
To: Brad Scott
Subject: RE: Yard waste
Attachments: March road committee.docx

Good Afternoon David, Mayor and Council Members,

The previous compost/yard waste site was a shared location at the Conversation Club with the city maintaining the site since before my employment. The brush site was just down the road on Thrane in the open cut/pit in the hillside and was only for city use. After 2015 straight line wind storm the council allowed residents to access to brush site as the amount of debris was tremendous and residents using the brush site became a permanent feature. In the next 5 years at both sites use increased to the point that yard waste was piles were stacked so high the composting process stopped and the brush site required summer burning, which required 24 hour supervision. Essentially use had outgrown both sites in 5 years. Stopping the service or new location were the options.

The county pit off Buschmann east of Ranchette intersection and the current site were identified as the two alternatives site locations. The county would not give the city it's existing pit, but offered to sell it. In addition that location would blow smoke over the fairly populated neighborhoods to the southeast when the prevailing northwest wind would blow. Those two factors led to current location being selected.

The current location was already city property and the prevailing wind would blow smoke over the sewer plant having probably having the least impact on residents as possible.

The decision was made to use the current site, post rules, and not to gate or control the access. This is my recollection of the road committee meeting during the discussion regarding moving the compost and brush site. I have also attached the agenda for that specific meeting. Also during the recent sewer study, new fencing/gates was identified as a need for the sewer plant, which the current compost site is located on. Having a gate would offer the ability to restrict access to residents only if that was desired, depending on the gate type.

Respectfully,

Joe

From: Brad Scott <bscott@cityofbreezypointmn.us>
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2024 11:44 AM
To: Joe Zierden <jzierden@cityofbreezypointmn.us>
Subject: Fwd: Yard waste

Hey Joe - not sure if others on council received a similar note - at any rate just wondering if you can provide some background on why and when was the yard waste area moved to its current location - thanks !

Brad
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Brad Scott <bscott@cityofbreezypointmn.us>

Date: March 26, 2024 at 7:58:01 AM CDT

To: Michellewahoske@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Yard waste

Michelle , thank you for the note bringing to attention concerns you have with the city's yard waste area- I will look into how it is that this was located in your neighborhood. I would encourage you to email the other council members as well. I had heard that it was moved a few years ago but never knew why -

Brad

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2024, at 9:36 PM, Breezy Point MN <noreply@civicplus.com> wrote:

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Name: Michelle wahoske

Email: Michellewahoske@yahoo.com

Message: Dear Mr. Scott,I live on Percheron dr. Breezy point. The yard waste area has increased the traffic in our neighborhood in the last few years. I do not feel this is a safe place for our neighborhood and children! People have not respected our neighborhood and children! This has become an industrial area and not a neighborhood! Can we please reroute this area! We have more commercial vehicles coming through and it's starts early in the morning! I want my quiet neighborhood back! The speed of these vehicles is over the top! Please stop this!!