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From: Sarah Holmgrain <spholmgrain@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2023 2:48 PM
To: Assembly
Subject: 2023-2024 Budget

Dear Assembly,

I have my "resident" cap on instead of my "school board" cap on. So please bear with me as I switch my requests.

I am emailing you to request reinstatement of plowing services of the residential side roads in the Papke's Landing neighborhood that are not currently plowed by the State.

The neighborhood has substantially grown over the years and I did not realize, until I did a count, of how many full time households live out there. I looked at each lot, their owner, and determined if they were full time or part time. If someone owned more than one lot I only counted them once. I considered "full time" residents that I only knew for certain they consider that location to be their primary residence, not part time or seasonal. If I was unsure I did not count them.

I believe there are 45 homes occupied full time. I did not figure out how many residents that equates to but many homes have more than two people living there. The elimination of plowing services could greatly affect many residents that do not have the financial means or resources to commence plowing the road themselves. If my memory is correct, and please let me know if I am wrong, the residential roads have either been plowed by the Borough or its contractor since the Borough was formed in 2013. So essentially for the last 10 years this service has been provided by the Borough.

I confirmed that \$11,287 was spent so far this fiscal year. I do believe the Borough can afford to put the plowing service back into next year's budget. The reserves for the Borough are healthy and this small amount will not negatively affect the budget nearly as much as affecting the 45 households that have come to depend on the service.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sarah Pawuk Holmgrain
Resident of Papke's Area Neighborhood

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