

Town Council and Mayor Bennett,

August 12, 2008

The grass is growing, the rain is flowing, and the guys are mowing, and mowing, and mowing. There is still a lot of trimming and edging to do so please be patient. With a little more time and I will have this town looking beautiful as it should. I need a little help from you in some areas:

1. **Boat Ramp**: We need to decide what we want to do here. I can have it fixed temporarily again and again or we can spend some money and just do it right. The runoff water just rips away anything we put down and it is working under the concrete Joe just had put in. I have spoken to a few people about repairing the boat ramp correctly with asphalt and an apron for better water runoff and boat launching. I have not received any details or pricing as of yet on these repairs. We can have Russ put some crushed concrete along both sides of the ramp and fix it temporarily again. We can place poles with a chain and a sign saying ramp closed, until we get it repaired right. I closed it once already and received numerous calls from commercial fisherman saying they will sign whatever it takes so that the town is not held responsible for damages to their vehicles. I just feel like we have been throwing so much money away by fixing the boat ramp temporarily that we could have had a new one built by now. Just so you know I am told the boat ramp has been closed on paper since 2001.
2. **The Town's Drainage System**: I have been receiving many calls from residents throughout town about poor drainage causing damage to their yard as well as the roads. I have been going through town and unclogging drains almost daily. We need to really look at our drainage system and put some money into it. Strahan, Four Lakes, Burke, Neal, Lowry, and Lake are just a few. I just wanted to let you know. I am looking into it and will get you pricing ASAP.
3. **Road Closing**: The guardrails should be ordered and on the way by the time you read this. There will be a guardrail on the town side only (36' = \$975.00 for guardrail only). We can place a hedge on one side or the other or we can place a hedge in the middle and put a guard rail on each side which would be a lot more expensive. Remember we still have to get the concrete barriers removed. I think if we are going to place hedges we need to think about safety. The guardrail needs to be seen from both sides.

I will be attending the FRWA Annual Conference August 11, 12, and 13 so I will not be able to attend the meeting. If you have any questions I will return Thursday 08/14/2008 and will be happy to answer them. Thank You

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