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New London Planning Board

Lucy St. John
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Dear Ms. St. John,

This letter is to follow up on the Planning Board Meeting that was held on September 15th with regards to the Pike Brook Road relocation. Although I understand that the Town of New London does not have any oversight of private roads and bridges in New London, I believe that the residents in this area are willing to update the road to make travel safer, while trying to limit the vehicular speeds in this rural community.

I have talked to Peter Blakeman and he has presented a road design that would be 14' wide with 2' of gravel on either side. This 18' road would support our fire apparatus during an emergency and would allow for two pieces to pass more safely than the current road. We would also have a better line of sight and we wouldn't have the usual concern of trucks being stuck during spring thaw conditions. This 2' area would be covered with a thin layer of material that would allow for growth of grass to help reduce the travel speeds. Not only does this proposal ease my concerns about increased safety, but would also keep the "summer camp" feeling of this private road.

I would hope that any addition modifications of other sections of this road follow the same design that Mr. Blakeman has submitted to the Planning Board. I am in favor of this compromise, as it will increase the safety of personnel and equipment while responding to emergency events in this area.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason B. Lyon, Fire Chief

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From: nlfld@tds.net <nlfld@tds.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 06, 2015 6:30 AM
To: Lucy St. John
Cc: Pete Blakeman; Jason Lyon
Subject: Pike Brook Road
Attachments: Pike Brook Road relocation 2015.docx

Good morning Lucy,

Attached is a letter for the Pike Brook Road relocation. I will be out of Town and will not be at the meeting this evening. I hope all is well and have a good day.

Jay

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