Joel Watts

To:

Tracy Richardson

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RE: Service Roads on Highway 7

From: jeff armitage

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Hello Tracy, Thank you for the quick response to my request and the filing of the name request.

As a retired City of Oshawa firefighter, I have firsthand experience with responding to situations where there are duplications of names. Almost always it is an asset to have a name similar to the connecting street in both an emergency response and in a quick recall moment when dispatched.

There is little room for error today as you have 911 numbers, a master map, a printout of the response and the assistance of the cerb center or dispatcher during the response time. The days of getting lost are virtually over and some depts are trending to satellite tracking.

My request for Emily Lane for the south portion of section south of Emily Manor Drive is not unreasonable. The fact that there is already a duplicate WORD like Emily is very normal and already exists in areas that are in Emily Township. That is the case in almost all municipalities.

Another small point is that this new street lies on a corner that has 3 townships involved and the name Emily Lane is a clear indication that it is on the Emily township side of the quadrant. This is helpful to all services. The other side of the road is not CKL.

There is another important factor to consider; that is the long-range plan for the road in question. It becomes a throughfare under the recommended long-range plan and the cul-de-sac is removed to join up with Hayes Line. That is the twenty year and beyond plan. I have the test report and all the mapping on that subject.

Oddly enough the report suggests the name duplication is OK if we pick the suggested names.ie say Mc Cumber Court to the North and say McCumber Road to the south.

This naming is not a real concern in the big picture but I would be sure that my name pick would be a favorite for the residents effected.

I hope this is a consideration for those employees that put so much effort into the name selection and that they understand my view.

Regards,

Jeff Armitage