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4431 Tripp Lane
Stevensville, MT. 59870

May 16, 2019
Terry Nelson, Planning Administrator
215 S 4th Street, Suite F
Hamilton, MT. 59840

June 20, 2019

Dear Mr. Nelson,

I received your letter Subject: Comment Request on Barstad Minor Subdivision AND VARIANCE REQUEST,

Thank you for keeping our neighborhood informed. After consulting with several other families at the worksite location of Gerald Barstad located at 4414 Tripp Lane, Section 6, T9N, R19W, P.M.M., Stevensville, Ravalli County, Montana, 59870, we are in unanimous agreement that the area in question to be considered for asphalt pavement would present a hazard to farm implements, logging trucks, horse trailer and heavy over-the-road equipment that is currently germane to our otherwise unpaved area. Each of the neighbors, including Mr. Barstad openly agreed to "chip in" to have a commercial road base added to what is currently known as Folly Lane from its dead-end point of origin at the east, to its confluence at Tripp Lane to the west and maintain it as needed. I am personally convinced that option would ultimately save the county money by leaving road maintenance to the homeowners.

I delight in the fact that an equitable solution can still be reached by reasonable, responsible individuals without enforcement from higher powers. There is no doubt in my mind that by considering this variance option not to require pavement will keep each of our elected County Commissioners in good stead with their constituents in the Lone Rock/Three Mile area.

Having been present in various Ravalli County meetings, and receiving the Commissioners Schedule emailed to me, I know how busy this time of year is for our elected officials. Several times I have come to a scheduled County meeting only to learn that it has been rescheduled or met in another location. Be assured if the Public Hearing on the proposal on Tuesday, June 25th, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Conference Room were to be moved or rescheduled, those I met with would not be disappointed. Please consider a lack of attendance for this variance a vote not to require pavement as most will be working and unable to attend.

Joyfully,

TC Richardson