

July 12, 2021

Mr Mark Witsman, Town Engineer

6280 W. 800 N.

McCordsville, IN 46055

Re: Mary Rose Hunt property, 5421 W. 1000 N., McCordsville, IN 46055

Dear Mr. Witsman:

Thank you for meeting with Vicky Vendel and myself on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, on behalf of Mrs. Hunt.

As we explained, it is our belief and observation that the water table has changed significantly for some reason(s) over the past few years. As a result, we now have difficulty using the existing septic system when there are heavy rains and when water sits and ponds on the property. In addition, the quality of the well water is such that she chooses not to consume it as it has an awful odor. She has lived there for over 70 years and this also has just recently started. We have replaced well motor, water heater and water softener, but the condition of the water is still not desirable.

We reviewed several subdivision plats with you and determined where water and sewer services could be provided.

We also concluded that Mrs. Hunt's property is not at this time contiguous to McCordsville town limits but will be, and we are not opposed to the forthcoming annexation.

There seems to be two short term issues that we discussed as follows:

- 1) The possibility of connecting to a public water supply and we will be exploring that option. You indicated that Citizens supplies this utility to all users and is not a municipal utility.
- 2) We discussed a field tile that may lower the water table during time of heavy rains such that Mrs.

Hunt can utilize her bath, washer and other household needs at all times. Mrs. Hunt is 93 years old and it is difficult to keep relocating her when her septic system is not functioning. Since that time, a representative of Hancock County has visited our property and has made a suggestion that a highway culvert be added under 1000N to the Hamilton County storm sewer. She believed that this would drain off much of the surface water that we believe is the focus of the recent issues.

As we discussed, the optimum solution is a gravity connection to the public sewer system.

The long term solutions, as we discussed, are pretty easily identified when the adjoining properties are developed and you have indicated that you will require that a stub out line and easements will be provided on a plat such that Mrs. Hunt can benefit from a sanitary sewer and storm water connections.

We also understand McCordsville's position is that we are not "residents" currently, but pretty much guaranteed that we will be in the near future. We look forward to that.

Therefore, we are asking this committee to accept a "pre annexation agreement" that would basically encourage the city of Fishers or Hamilton County to install a field tile or culvert to keep the water table at a level that allows Mrs. Hunt's septic system to function and ensure through future platting that a sewer line and the right to access it be provided. If these issues can be provided, it may be the family's position to grant a developer an easement to initially add a third lane to 1000N, then the construction and connection of Mrs. Hunt's septic system to a gravity sanitary sewer line could occur. The details would need some preliminary engineering for both the road and sewer connections, but the preliminary concept is noted herein.

We believe that our request to you is reasonable to insure that Mrs. Hunt has continued use of her property until such time that plans are finalized to develop this area and provide sanitary sewers.

We respectfully ask this committee to authorize Mark Witsman to proceed with reviewing field tile and culvert options to completion of "draft" agreements to cover some of the pre annexation issues.

We believe this phased approach will benefit everyone and we look forward to your favorable consideration.

We plan to attend a monthly committee meeting to present our proposal and answer any questions.

On behalf of Mrs. Mary Hunt and her daughter, Mrs. Vicky Vendel, we thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours truly,

David Brammeier, P.E.