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Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:49 PM
To: Susan Gouveia
Subject: FW: SIDEWALK ALONG FLANDERS BARTLEY RD.

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To: Canning, Sean; Spitzer, Mark; Greenbaum, Rob; Lashway, Lisa; Quinn, Tim; VanNess, Scott; Natafalusy, Catherine
Subject: RE: SIDEWALK ALONG FLANDERS BARTLEY RD.

Mr. Canning:

Five months and you say that our concerns (actually problems) did not go unnoticed. They sure went "unsomething" since nothing has been done.
Five months and you state residents have been given notice; when were they given notice and how much time were they given?

When were you going to follow up on this? When we communicated in April you and the Mayor both assured me you have a system in place for follow up. Therefore I did not contact you any sooner. Obviously my trusting that was a big mistake.

As for those not in compliance with the ordinance, we realize they are residents. We are residents too. In case your comment was a thinly veiled suggestion that they pay taxes and we don't, I will inform you that I paid taxes in this Township for about 30 years and many of those who reside here did the same.

What encouragement was given to these people who don't take pride in their Township enough to maintain their property as good neighbors should. A notice?!

I can tell you that the Township property was attended to 4 or 5 months ago. That was a small part of the big problem.

It appears that none of you have any idea, nor care, about what it is like for elderly people to have to use a walker and then deal with the condition of the sidewalks. As I stated before, not just on Flanders Bartley Rd.

The Township went to the expense of constructing low curbs with non slip pads at every intersection in the Cloverhill development. What is the point of that expense if sidewalks are not maintained and kept clear?

Enforce the ordinance and should anyone, not just residents here, be hurt because you haven't, I think you will wish you went further than "encouragement" in **FIVE MONTHS**.

-----Original Message-----

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Subject: RE: SIDEWALK ALONG FLANDERS BARTLEY RD.

Mr. Wood thank you for your correspondence, I can tell you that your concerns did not go unnoticed. Scott Van Ness has indeed provided notice to homeowners along Apollo Way about their sidewalks and if there is not improvement in a set amount of time has indicated we will take action. As these are township residents as well we try and strike a fine line between encouragement and punitive action however that facet of your concern was put into action and is indeed moving forward so I am glad that you reached out for an update.

I am awaiting to hear from Mr. Quinn our DPW director about the township property which we did indeed indicate we would have cleaned up and will find out whether this has been done or is scheduled.

Thanks hope to update you on this as well this afternoon.

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Subject: SIDEWALK ALONG FLANDERS BARTLEY RD.

MT. OLIVE MANOR TENANTS ASSOCIATION

September 10, 2013

Dear Mayor and Business Administrator:

It has been five months, FIVE MONTHS since you acknowledged to me the sidewalk problems and nothing!!! You managed to pave Bartley Road but senior residents here must continue to navigate sidewalks with trip and fall hazards. There are also areas of overgrowth into the sidewalks.

Some find it safer to walk in the street so they don't risk falling and having to lift their walkers over damaged sidewalk areas. Police have stopped some and said they can be issued a summons for being in the street with walkers and carts.

Why have you failed to enforce the ordinance requiring sidewalks to be maintained properly? The problem exists on many streets in the Clover Hill development.

If this problem is not resolved soon the winter weather will add to the hazards.

We are very disappointed.

Christopher R. Wood
President

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