

4080 Summerview Dr Oshkosh, WI 54901-1287 October 2, 2015

Mr. Rob Way & Parks Committee 625 E. County Trunk Y Oshkosh, WI 54901

Dear Mr. Way & Committee Members:

Warm greetings from a concerned citizen and fellow taxpayer! I submit the following comments in the rave/rant format.

RAVES: Such a good job on the beautiful new roads and hiking/biking paths in the fabulous County Park, THANK YOU! Highway supervisor, Bill Demler, confirms that his people will be back as possible to do further shoulder and landscaping work, including constructing a west side connecting path to the Summerview Drive entrance, YEA!

RANTS: The Asylum Bay Road remains untouched. Still a dangerous blind 90 degree curve because tall shoulder weeds remain uncut. Shoulder weeds all along need cutting and removal so the highway crew can properly shoulder and stop expensive asphalt edge breakdown! A broken cedar tree has layed on the shoulder for weeks. A deep dip in the asphalt, north side past the boat landing, needs an asphalt patch. Filling and grading of gravel areas is long overdue.

RANT: Once beautiful boat landings remain full of weeds on a regular basis. Do the rangers even carry a spring rake (like I do) to tend to that each visit? While fishing recently I asked a fellow fisherman if he would carry a spring rake in his truck for that purpose? He promptly said yes, that he never thought of that! I have repeatedly asked office staff to include that request nicely in person and on boat launch fliers when we users come for permits. Ever done?? Some of us would respond! Also, request carrying a broom (like I do) to help reach under boats to remove invasive weeds that we don't want to transport elsewhere!

IF EXTRA HELP IS NEEDED, I so recommend for the safety and enjoyment of the MANY USERS of these otherwise fine facilities that we could and should be proud to maintain. IF the budget doesn't allow, ask for volunteers. Some of us would!

Most sincerely,

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Cc: Bill Demler, Supervisor, Winnebago County Highway Commission