

August 9, 2013

Re: **KING STREET BRIDGE CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT – Letter #1**

Dear Resident of King Street:

This is the first in a series of correspondence that we will be issuing about the above referenced project. The little bridge on King Street is in dire need of repair. Further complicating matters is that a storm drainage culvert, a sanitary sewer main, and a power line course through its interior. If that isn't enough, as you know, King Street has only one outlet, is extremely narrow, and has no right of way to speak of. In one word, this project will be a **challenge**. There are ten buildings north of this bridge, comprising all told 18 households. Moreover, I suspect that less than a handful of these households even know this bridge exists. For the record the bridge is behind OLPH Church and in front of the Campoli household ( 7 King Street).

Hugh Greechan of the engineering firm, Woodard & Curran, anticipates the project from start to finish will require three weeks with work performed between the hours of 8:00 am and 6:00 pm daily, Monday through Friday. Steel plates will be in place to allow vehicular access nightly and weekends. Depending on the type of work being performed on any given day periodic access could be provided but should not be relied upon. School buses will be unable to enter and will have to pickup students in front of OLPH Church. Delivery truck drivers will have to walk their packages to the respective homes. Emergency access for ambulance service will be coordinated between the contractor and ASVAC. Plans are in the works to have County Control station a fire truck (pumper) in the cul de sac in the north end of the road for the duration of the project. No impact is contemplated to either the Mulvey residence located at 531 Ashford Avenue or the rear parking lot of OLPH Church. Representatives of the Church will be contacted to explore if any of the automobiles of the King Street homes can temporarily be stored in the parking lot. If not, spaces will be offered in the Village Hall or Library parking lots. For numerous reasons, temporary parking is neither desired nor practical on Ashford Avenue.

A Notice to Bidders was approved by the Village Board on Monday evening, August 5, and a bid award to a contractor is expected at the September 3<sup>rd</sup> Village Board meeting. Once all the paperwork including contracts, insurance certificates, and bonds are completed, work should commence sometime after the third week in September, and possibly the first week of October. There is no sugar-coating that this project will not be an immense inconvenience to the residents of King Street. It will be. However, the bridge is very old, and needs to be repaired. Band-aid efforts were attempted in 2010, but did not last. It would be highly imprudent to wait anymore to make the necessary repairs. No one wants to see the day arrive when the bridge becomes impassable.

I have been in touch with the various emergency services. It would be helpful if you can assist us in identifying any high risk residents along the street or who may utilize ParaTransit services so that we will be prepared to accommodate them if need be. Also, we have identified 10 buildings beyond the bridge, but we have reason to believe there are at least 8 more households beyond those 10 listed on the tax rolls. We wish to ensure that everyone affected by this construction receives regular notices, so if you are the Landlord of one of these properties with

accessory apartments kindly either advise us how many additional notices you will need, or advise us how to properly address your tenants. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter. Lastly, I have provided below a preliminary listing of Village officials contact information including my own should you have any concerns or questions. For the time being, please consider my office the principle contact for any of these inquiries.

Sincerely,

George F. Calvi  
Village Manager

Cc: All Residents of King Street  
Mayor, Board, PD, FD, ASVAC, DPW, ASD, OLPH

**Important Contact Information (Preliminary List):**

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Village Manager George Calvi, 693-3435, [ardsleymanager@optonline.net](mailto:ardsleymanager@optonline.net)  
Village Clerk Barbara Berardi, 693-1550 x 120, [ardsleyclerk@optonline.net](mailto:ardsleyclerk@optonline.net)

There will be more contact information once the contractor and staff are identified.