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Bayfield County Zoning Committee
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Washburn, WI 54891

Dear Colleagues:

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Washburn was presented with a request to consider a sand & gravel pit permit application from Derek and Jane Brevak at our regular June meeting on Jun 6, 2000.

The Town Board has been reluctant to approve the Brevak's application in the past, due to concern about their willingness to accept responsibility for damage to the town's roads, particularly McKinley Road, on which the property is located. Furthermore, concern has been expressed by neighbors regarding noise associated with the gravel crushing operation. Other citizens have previously expressed concern about safety on McKinley road, which is used by many citizens for walking, biking, and other recreational pursuits.

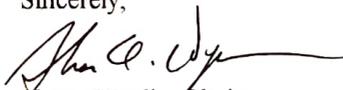
The Board decided to approve the application, with several important conditions. We approve of this permit, so long as the Brevaks agree that:

- All hauling of equipment and material will be routed on McKinley Road to the north, the most direct route to County Highway C, unless the material is to be delivered to a property in the Town of Washburn or Town of Barksdale, in which case any town road may be used.
- They will accept, in writing, responsibility for any damage to the McKinley Road which occurs as a result of their hauling.
- They are sensitive to noise concern of neighbors, with particular attention to holidays and times when family or business events are scheduled on neighboring properties.
- This permit is issued for no more than 10 years and there are no implied or expressed intentions to approve the continuation of the operation after that time.

The Town Board has had concerns regarding the ability of McKinley Road to sustain repetitive heavy-vehicle traffic. We believe that there is a significant possibility that such traffic will cause damage to the road. This road has been limited to vehicles of no more than 25 tons GVW for more than a year, with exceptions made for occasional hauling to properties located on that road which are being improved and need gravel, concrete, or other building materials. That weight limit will continue for vehicles other than those contracted by the Brevaks.

The Town reserves the right to assess usage charges for repetitive use, as permitted by state law.

Sincerely,



Shane Wyzlic, Chair