



## AGENDA ITEM #9.1.A

# REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

**Report Prepared by: Nancy Malecha**

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**Date:** July 5, 2016

**Subject:** Street Name – East Twin Trail

**Report:** At the June 7<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting, the Council discussed who has the decision making authority on the street segment name between Olson Road and Pow Wow Point since street names had already been approved and submitted to MnDOT. I contacted Tom Dumont from MnDOT and the naming of this street segment is still within the City's decision making authority as noted on the attached letter to Melanie Dotty.

Attached is recent correspondence received from property owners along this segment as well as a map showing the previously approved street names for this segment (highlighted in orange). The Council will need to determine whether to keep the street segment name of Pow Wow Point to the south and Olson Road to the north or change the entire segment name to East Twin Trail.

**Council Action Requested:** Council discussion on the street segment name between Pow Wow Point and Olson Road.



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June 21, 2016

Ms. Melanie Dotty, Attorney  
30718 Rice Creek Drive  
Pequot Lakes, Minnesota 56472

Dear Ms. Dotty:

At the June 7, 2016 Pequot Lakes City Council Meeting, direction was given to notify you, as legal counsel for Mr. Don Kremer, regarding the East Twin Trail street name. In my recent conversation with Tom Dumont at MnDOT, the Pequot Lakes City Council still has the decision making authority to determine the street segment name between Pow Wow Point and Olson Road.

The East Twin Trail street name item has been placed on the July 5, 2016 City Council Meeting agenda for their consideration. This Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be held in the Council Chambers at Pequot Lakes City Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (218)568-2352.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Malecha".

Nancy Malecha  
City Administrator/Clerk

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL  
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Pequot Lakes City Council  
Mayor David Sjoblad  
Pequot Lakes City Hall  
4638 County Road 11  
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472

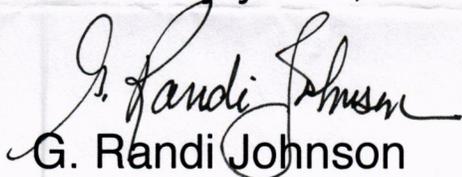
Re: Appeal for consideration on July 5, 2016

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

Enclosed is a copy of the email I forwarded to each of you this date. Please review and include it the minutes of your meeting on July 5, 2016.

I trust that this appeal will be granted and that this matter will be resolved to the satisfaction of the City of Pequot and all interested parties.

Sincerely yours,



G. Randi Johnson

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**From:** G. Johnson threecrowns02@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Appeal for consideration at 7/5/16 Meeting  
**Date:** June 17, 2016 at 8:57 AM

**To:** mayor@pequotlakes-mn.gov, pederphoto@gmail.com, jerryakerson@yahoo.com, mloukota@tds.net, gkarr.plcouncil@gmail.com  
**Cc:** Diane Eitrheim Eitrheim eitrhein1@icloud.com, tag2278@comcast.net, Don e Kremer donsp287@gmail.com



To: PEQUOT LAKES CITY COUNCIL

It is my position that the street names that were approved by the City Council on 4-5-16 clearly do not represent the wishes of the property owners and taxpayers who will be adversely affected by this unfortunate and confusing designation.

The property owners—Grossman, Kremer, Johnson, and Eitrheim whose property abuts “old” State Highway 371 and whose address will be changed by the street signage should have their wishes honored. We are on a north-south road, it and should have one name. It is confusing and I believe ridiculous to have two separate street name designations when all of our houses abut the same roadway. I have an easement on the Kremer driveway. When I visit Mrs. Eitrheim, I turn north on 371 from the Kremer driveway and drive a few hundred feet to turn right into the Eitrheim driveway. It makes no sense to me whatsoever to have two separate street names from one driveway to the next. I therefore propose the following simple solution: Put East Twin Trail at the top of the new street signs. It could be a lower size font, but it would clearly indicate one has driven onto a frontage street.

It is my understanding that the current plan is for one sign at the T intersection that will read Olson Road with an arrow to the left, and a second sign reading Pow Wow Point with an arrow to the right. **THE TOP OF BOTH SIGNS SHOULD READ EAST TWIN TRAIL BECAUSE THAT IS THE ROAD THE CROSSOVER MEETS AND WITH WHICH IT FORMS A T-INTERSECTION.** This signage would alleviate confusion as to which road is north-south, and it would clarify the direction of the two adjoining streets.

I respectfully submit that the Council should approve this proposed signage and to agree that this compromise affords the best solution. It honors the wishes of the property owners who want their new street address to be East Twin Trail, while giving clear directions which way one can turn to gain access onto Olson Road and Pow Wow Point.

Thank you for your consideration and attention to this important matter.

  
G. Randi Johnson  
28128 State Highway 371  
Pequot Lakes, MN

Dated: June 17, 2016

## Nancy Malecha

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**From:** Todd A Grossmann <tag2278@comcast.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 16, 2016 9:47 AM  
**To:** Mayor  
**Subject:** Naming of road

Good morning,

I'm writing to inquire about the naming of the future frontage road that is currently an existing segment of highway 371. This runs from Olson Road on the North extending to Pow Wow Point at the southern end. I speak as a property owner of 200 feet along this stretch of road and as chosen representative of my family which owns an additional 400 feet. In the past it is my understanding that the name East Twin Trail was selected. I inquire as to why this was changed. It seems lacking in common sense to take two different east-west routs and extend them to a shared north south location. It would seem less confusing to have a new street name to go with the new compass orientation. This is the rational that was used for selection of a new street name back then. The name that was chosen was East Twin Trail. I'm eager to hear your explanation and subsequent justification for the change. There is little to be gleaned from the council notes regarding this.

Todd A Grossmann  
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