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**To:** [Bryan Gillett](#)  
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**Subject:** Re: Letts Road extension

In reference to the proposed Letts Road expansion, I wish to voice my deep objections as well.

It appears as though this very consequential decision has already been made, despite the many lives and homes involved. In selecting this community, we had many things in mind, among them, the privacy, the very limited traffic, and the proximity to wildlife, all of which will be not only threatened, but seriously compromised due to the proposed expansion.

The many problems we are likely to face, should this hasty, and I'll conceived project be allowed to move forward are listed below, in the communication put forward by Jill Gushow. As such I will not repeat them all here.

We will be mobilizing all available means amongst our neighbors, and plan to make our voices heard to the public at large.

I too, would like the questions raised in the e-mail below to be answered in writing, and soon, by the Larkin Township Board.

As home owners, and taxpayers, our interests, property values, and chosen lifestyles are all threatened by this unilateral plan, and we object to it being presented this way, and pushed forward without the time or opportunity to allow us to consider these changes, and if as expected, they are unacceptable, to stop them before we are harmed by their implementation.

With All Due Respect,

Gregory J Dardas

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 25, 2022, at 11:34 AM, Jill Gushow <[jgushow1@gmail.com](mailto:jgushow1@gmail.com)> wrote:

In reference to the Letts Road extension proposal, I am voicing my strongest opposition to this. I live on Letts Road and can foresee this changing the dynamic of our entire neighborhood. We have not received any data at this point on why this extension is being pushed by Larkin Township, but have been informed that this is being led by Larkin Township. We moved to this neighborhood for the quality of life, as did our neighbors. To push forward with this initiative without notice or hearing our voices is egregious.

Some of the problems we could foresee this causing would be:

- higher speeds and much more traffic on Letts Rd. and in our neighborhoods as this becomes a thoroughfare;
- loss of relatively safe walking/running/biking route (many individuals and families with children use Letts Rd);
- loss of property value in a high value neighborhood;
- more congestion challenges at the corner of Jefferson and Letts/Commerce;
- more 'non-neighborhood' residents cruising our neighborhoods (public safety); and
- potential for making traffic worse on Jefferson (Wackerly to Joe Mann corridor).

Additionally, for Larkin Township to not place this item on the agenda, to discuss for less than 15 minutes, and vote to allocate \$400K of taxpayer dollars toward this road extension without input from impacted constituents is a failure of transparency deserve and misuse of power if you pursue such a plan without input from those impacted.

I am hereby requesting in writing the following from the Larkin Township Board:

1. Why is Larkin Township pushing for this extension and using what data? If you refer to the traffic projections, please provide those. Even the Road Commission only has raw data, so I'm interested in how you made any type of assessment using that data which even the Road Commission acknowledges is difficult to read and use. The Road Commission is currently trying to put it into usable form.
2. Why are the minutes of Board and Planning meetings not up-to-date on the Larkin Township website? The Board minutes are two months behind and the Planning Commission minutes are three months behind.
3. Are there plans or discussions being had regarding development of the 150+ acres of property between Jefferson and Waldo around Letts?
4. Please confirm the zoning of the property between Jefferson and Waldo around Letts and whether there have been discussions regarding that property being rezoned.

I am also formally requesting that you hear from constituents on this issue at the next Board meeting. Please confirm.

Your Larkin constituent,

Jill Gushow