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The gravel road that joins Owens Road to Silver Trail is the private property of Mr. Lowell Brailey. He has agreed to allow use of the road to those who contribute to its up keep. He stated that there was a lot of local traffic, as well as commercial vehicles, and big trucks, which contribute to the road falling into disrepair and in constant need of maintenance. He is not willing to continue to maintain the road without participation from those that use it.

In the past month or so, I have tried to solicit contributions, either by handing out flyers, or going door to door. I have not reached everybody in the Meadows; as there are 127 lots ,and many never use this road, I don't intend to solicit the entire development. As residents know, Barton and Boyd,have recently resurfaced the community roads in the development . As they have done on one other occasion, they agreed to use there equipment to grade the road as long as the material was paid for by the lot owner. Pryor to the grading, a culvert was installed across the lowest part of the road, rip rap place to slow water and ditching done to manage the water. So far over six thousand dollars has been spent . Twenty people have contributed.

Recently signs were placed at both entrances. Someone took it upon themselves to destroy two of the signs at the Owens Road entrance. The Police were called and the incident has been noted. Aerial signs to stop truck traffic, have been installed and the King George Fire Dept. has been notified by Ann Lyons. (Side note, The Fire Dept. had written of the road due to its disrepair).

To many , access to this road saves valuable time and money expended for fuel. The contributions are strictly voluntary; however the owner has stated that those who elect not to participate, will not be authorized to use the road. Enforcement will be a warning, then enforcement of the trespass law under Va Code 18.2-119.

Those who contribute will have access to the road along with any guests they invite from outside the development. There has been concern expressed to Dick Asbell ,the HOA President. He has explained the HOA Boards position, that the road is the private property of the owner of lot one.

If anyone has any questions or concerns you can contact me at 703-628-0940.

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