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6 Dupee Street
Walpole, MA 02081

July 17, 2020

Walpole Zoning Board of Appeals

Re: Proposed project on Dupee Street

Dear Sir or Madam:

I have lived at 6 Dupee Street for 21 years and have issues regarding the proposed project.

One serious safety issue is pulling out of Dupee Street onto High Plain Street/Route 27, which is a heavily-traveled route. The ability to see oncoming vehicles on High Plain Street is always a challenge, even when vehicles are going the speed limit, which is often not the case. Looking left from the end of Dupee Street, High Plain Street curves to the left enough to make a big difference in the sight line. This is true no matter what the weather is. However, when there are 3 to 6 foot high snowbanks on High Plain Street, the ability to see vehicles is sometimes impossible. I have had to shovel the snowbanks down numerous times before I could even see vehicles coming to safely pull out of Dupee Street. (I once came inches from being struck by a crane truck after a snowstorm due to the high snowbanks.) Also, I have had to shovel the end of Dupee Street at High Plain Street numerous times before I could safely pull out, especially after the plows have plowed High Plain Street and the sidewalks and deposited snow and slush at the end of Dupee Street.

Also, I question how Dupee Street can possibly be widened enough for a sidewalk and buffers to allow vehicles, including emergency vehicles, to safely travel beside each other.

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There is also the issue of how the three people with driveways on Dupee Street (a dead end) and emergency vehicles will be able to get in and out of Dupee Street during construction of the road. It is my understanding that I cannot be forced to park my car elsewhere during the construction.

This proposed project would most likely have a detrimental impact on me, my neighbors on Dupee Street, and the surrounding neighborhoods including High Plain Street, Summit Avenue, Sybil Street and Victoria Circle. Some impacts include:

- a) Noise/quiet enjoyment;
- b) Traffic/safety;
- c) Environmental issues; and
- d) Water pressure and drainage.

This proposed project is in a heavily wooded area with a huge number of trees and the removal of the trees and vegetation would negatively impact wildlife and the environment for me and the many people in the surrounding neighborhoods.

I expect that consideration of all these issues will be addressed.

Thank you.

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