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Pete Webster  
Town Manager  
300 Main St., Tracy Hall  
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Pete and all other concerned parties;

I am requesting the issue of my septic system replacement be placed on the agenda for the next select board meeting. On May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011, a water main on Lewiston Hill broke, sending a large quantity of water through my property. The path of the water cut a large ditch that starts on my property and continues onto town property and possibly onto another resident's property. The ditch on my property caused some erosion in the vicinity of my septic tank, a grandfathered dry well. Upon inspection by Pathways Consulting, it has been determined that the system needs to be replaced.

Pathways dug test holes on my property and determined that because of the location of the town water main and the desire to be out of the runoff path in case of a future event, the best option would be a mound system located in my front yard. The septic tank would be replaced in the back yard and waste would be pumped from the new tank to the mound in the front yard.

The proposed plan might involve the town because the site of the mound system is close to a town property line. A survey will be done as part of the permitting process and the exact dimensions of the town property used, if any, will be known. I am asking for permission from the town to use this land in the event that the optimal location for the new mound falls within town boundaries. Thank you for your time.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'BS' with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Benjamin Smith

*Home-owner, 21 Lewiston Hill Road*