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Mr. Al Richmond / Mr. Todd Hubner

Recently I was made aware of the Emerald Island Parking proposal. The island owners purchased their lots knowing that it was lake access only so why now does it become an issue. I am aware that the island residents will be the only property owners taxed for the proposed plan to create the parking area, one of my issues is why should this even happen when there are developed areas on the lake they could be utilized. There is public access on McKinley drive with a boat launch, parking would be adequate. The public access at Crystal Springs is also a suitable spot, there is ample parking with a boat launch, it is also paved and as it is not visible from the highway would be a safer spot for long term parking.

And if I was to really want to develop a stand alone parking spot why not the old Boy Scout Camp location on the southwest side of the lake.

The proposed site does present safety issues with access from the highway. The corner to the north as well as the absence of the left turn lane coming from the south could prove to be a problem in the future.

It is my understanding that the proposed parking area will not include a boat launch and as I see it, it will only be a matter of time before the island property owners petition for parking area include a boat launch and paving. The logic at that point will be that the boat launch will benefit the whole community and I am sure we will be all taxed at that point. Creating another boat launch at that site will only increase the highway safety issues.

It never ceases to amaze me how a few can overrule logic and accountability. There is not an argument I can see that says the Emerald Island Parking Proposal is a necessity to the community as a whole. I ask you that you reconsider the proposal and take into consideration other options that are safer and far more economical.

Respectfully,

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