

April 1st, 2021

Good evening City Council,

As a Tazewell County Board member I voted yes to the Washington TIF request on the January 27th consent agenda. I believe that TIF and Enterprise zones can be very beneficial to help a town thrive and grow. With that being said, I am hopeful that by extending the TIF with clear guidelines for another fifteen years it will truly benefit blighted areas in Washington.

Looking at examples of successfully TIF contracts: the best way to make a positive impact to the businesses that pay into the TIF, is by following specific guidelines.

- Be consistent with the percentages.
- Request submitted need to be considered for all businesses within the parcels.
- Businesses that already have an approved TIF, need to be fully paid before requesting again.

TIF agreements have an end date for a reason, to help businesses in a timely manner. Typically when that date is reached that agreement is closed out, any remaining funds are dispersed to the businesses that were involved. A new TIF agreement can be started to concentrate on a new parcels that also need help with blighted areas.

The only way to truly help a community is to concentrate on an area, evenly disperse the TIF funds within the time frame.

With the past year of uncertainty from the pandemic. It is crucial that everything that can be done to help our struggling cities is looked at. By working together for the good of our all of our communities is the best way to achieve success!

Thank you for your time,

Toni Minton
Tazewell County Board
District – 3

Valeri Brod

From: Nicole R. Nolte <nbindel@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 3:07 PM
To: Valeri Brod
Subject: Nolte - drainage information

Hi Valeri,

I am unable to personally attend the meeting tonight as I had already volunteered to drive kids to their basketball game over in Morton tonight, but I wanted to make sure that the aldermen knew our thoughts as homeowners regarding the drainage issue in TrailsEdge.

We reside at 705 Dallas Road directly across from the retention pond on Dallas/Kingsbury. When we received the large amount of rain on July 15th of last year, the 100 year retention pond did not hold and the water came up the bank and was running across the road and onto our lot. Directly to the south of our home on Kingsbury, by Our Savior Lutheran is another drainage system that takes on the street water and even on a normal rain, that drain can not support the amount of water coming into it as it is always overflowing running down and into our small creek.

We spent over \$10,000 of our own money last year fixing the small creek that runs South and East of our home to try and accommodate the increased flow from the drainage. We just know that everything from the newly proposed home sites will end up in our backyard and we want to make sure that the flood zone that is to the East of our home doesn't start creeping any closer to our backyard.

Thank you for your consideration of our thoughts on this matter and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Joe and Nicole Nolte
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