

Subject SUBJECT: Report of standing, tall, dead trees on brook bank - SPRINGBROOK BLVD 45405

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SUBJECT: Report of standing, tall, dead trees on brook bank

Dear Harrison Township, Ohio Trustees and Administration, [Roland Winburn, Cathy Spaugy, Jeffery Mutter]

I am a resident of Harrison Township and I want to thank you for your efforts to make the area that I reside in safe (for road vehicular traffic and pedestrians) after the recent tornadoes. I reside at the intersection of Dale View and Springbrook Blvd. Zip 45405

As you may recall, Mr. Roland Winburn [Twp. Trustee] helped to dedicate – the public “library facility” located there (at that intersection). [Reference below]. I met him at the dedication event. The “Little Library” facility - nor any of it benches and tables - appear to be badly damaged - by the tornadoes [that] did destroy houses and uproot several large trees in my neighborhood.

Just today, it appeared that “tree crews” were working in the area again.

The work crews - if they represent the Township interest - may have told you: There is a large brook present - at the intersection (of Dale View and Springbrook Blvd.). The brook is approximately 30 feet wide and perhaps three feet deep- at that point. It did appear that large tree branches were felled - by the “tornadic” winds - into the brook's main water flow area. In the event of a heavy rain event - this “blockage” may cause flooding - in the upstream areas. This “debris” situation may be exactly – what the work crews were addressing this day (6-6-2019).

ALSO, WITH PROFESSIONAL TREE TRIMMING CREWS - NOW IN THE AREA - THIS MAY BE A GOOD TIME TO ALERT YOU TO - AT LEAST THREE (3) DEAD TREES [50+ FEET TALL] - PRESENT ALONG

THIS BROOK BANK. I HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY TOLD – THIS “BROOK” IS AN *UNNAMED* WATER FEATURE – THAT IS A PART OF THE GREATER MIAMI RIVER WATER-SHED. I inquired of its name - with the local EPA Office.

My home is located at: 297 Springbrook Blvd. I can see the “standing, tall, dead leaf-less” trees from my driveway . I believe these trees represent a "clear and present" danger - to any person visiting that intersection area – to view the lovely brook – or, visit the library; As, they (these trees) will eventually fall - due to gravity, bank erosion, winds etc. I would guess [that] the trees each weigh several hundred pounds. Now retired, I am formally educated in Environmental Science (BS UWGB 1982).

Also, if the "tall dead trees fall", they will block the road way - in both directions - as well as block the brook’s natural flow- further.

My hope, is that the "tree cutting" and "storm-damage" clean-up crews [now in the area] will spot these life-less trees and take initiative. Perhaps, they already have mentioned them to you?

Again, THANK YOU! - for your continued efforts in the immediate aftermath of the tornado! I realize there is much to do.

Your representatives may knock on my door OR email me - if they are not able to spot the “potential danger” - from the “still standing, tall, dead trees” - that I clearly see - from my driveway.

Indeed, my neighbors report [that] they can see these dead trees also.

However, I *volunteered* - and, thus took the responsibility - for reporting the situation - in this writing to you. I look forward to hearing your response.

AGAIN, Thank you for your public service & respectfully, - Township resident, Susan Marie [Cassady]-Neuhart

<https://fox45now.com/news/local/little-free-library-10-19-2017>

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