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properties on Dwasline. Additionally, Clifton will make a narrow street even narrower in parts just to install curbs.

This Council made a policy decision to install curbs where curbs do not exist in the 2015 Road Repaving Project. However, while there are 45 roads to be repaved this year, Dwasline is the only road where new curbs are to be installed. But, there are only four properties on Dwasline that do not have curbs due to the irregular right a way which in some cases (like mine) ends along the current roadbed. Strange policy, right?

Since, the right of way is so irregular along Dwasline in order to accomplish this, Clifton will have to shift the road on the Passaic side, install curbs on Passaic side of the road and compensate Passaic residents for losses of bushes and redo and pay for restoration of walkways in Passaic. As a Clifton taxpayer, I object to my tax dollars being spent in another municipality.

Additionally, construction and slope easements would have to be obtained, drainage issues would have to be resolved, site plans and storm water reports on each of the four properties in Clifton would have to be done by the city. Re-grading of properties, sprinklers and walkways would have to be redone - all of which the taxpayers would have to pay for and would significantly add to the cost. Without these added costs the installation of new curbs is about \$25 per foot versus \$1 per foot to repave a road. Since these properties are over 500-foot frontages the cost of curbs for these four properties would be over \$10,000 not including, site plans, resolving drainage issues, re-grading properties and redoing walkways. All for unnecessary and unwanted curbs - all four property owners have indicated by letter to the City that they are opposed to the installation of these curbs.

An engineer has stated that

these curbs are unnecessary as the current roadbed is not deteriorating due to lack of curbs and storm water drainage is not an issue. Taxpayer funds would be better spent paving the rest of Dwasline Road from Niader Court to Allwood Road (which is currently not part of the 2015 Road Repaving Project) and is in great need of repaving.

It should not come as a surprise to anyone that at least three-quarters of the Council members dislike me. It is clear that their personal feelings toward me for "revenge" have clouded their judgment on this issue. I urge this council to put their personal feelings for me aside and rescind this policy for the good of all the taxpayers of Clifton. Dislike me all you want but please don't use your position as an elected official to harm my neighbors and the taxpayers of Clifton simply to get back at me. Necessity or revenge, you decide!

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Are curbs really needed?

Clifton is about to spend over \$70,000 for unnecessary work. Clifton taxpayers will be paying for road work in Passaic. Why? To put curbs in front of four