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Paving Schultzville Road

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Dear Town Board Members,

I am writing to request that the Town Board consider paving—without widening or taking down trees—the section of Schultzville Road that runs through the woods. I am aware of the town policy of undertaking paving projects only when requested and agreed to by the residents of a road, but Schultzville Road is a special case. It is the route into Rhinebeck for those of us living on Willow Lane, Hampton Court, the rest of Schultzville Road, and other nearby roads; it is also the only way for us to get to Town Hall, the Golden Russet, the Library, etc. It is not a little-used country road, but a regular and vital connecting route from one side of town to the other.

As an unpaved road it becomes deeply rutted in the snow, muddy in the spring, and dusty in summer. Our mechanic has told us for years that it takes a toll on the undercarriage of our cars, accelerating rust and problems with the brakes and other moving parts.

I know there were problems years ago with an overzealous highway superintendent who wished not only to pave many of our town's dirt roads, but also to widen them and take down trees. I am sure that Schultzville Road could be given a hard surface without taking down trees and widening it. It is a lovely road and every effort must be made to preserve its rural character, but it is also an important road that residents from our entire neighborhood must use regularly to conduct their daily lives.

Please include funding to pave Schultzville Road in your budget deliberations.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Koch

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