## Entrances

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## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

1401 EAST BROAD STREET RICHMOND, 23219-1939

STUART A. WAYMACK DIRECTOR, RIGHT OF WAY AND UTILITIES

DAVID R. GEHR COMMISSIONER

November 17, 1997

Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell 216 Governor's Lane, Apartment 12 Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

As I promised when we met on Friday, November 14, 1997, enclosed is a copy of the September 15, 1935, agreement between VDOT and the "Hiners". Also enclosed is a copy of the actual deed conveying the property to VDOT, which is dated October 21, 1935, and recorded in the Highland County Courthouse in Deed Book 29, Pages 503 through 505.

For your benefit, the Virginia Department of Transportation reads the handwritten section of the agreement with the Hiners to be as follows:

Consideration: \$750.00 for land, fencing, tearing down or moving three buildings, apple and sugar trees, and all damages to residue.

It is agreed the State is to lay a 1" water line from the north side of road at Station 1077+90 to a point back of <u>her</u> house and construct a concrete watering trough 2' x 4' x 2'.

A road way is to be provided for a foard crossing at approximate Station 1044+50. The timber is reserved by the owner and is to be cut under the standard timber clause.

The owner agrees to clear the right of way before payment is made and in the event they should fail to do so, the State has the right to <u>remove</u> same and deduct the cost from the above consideration.

(Where handwriting was not clear, the words have been underlined and italicized.)

The correct station is 1094+50. Station 1044+50 is not on the landowners property. Reference sheet 13 of State Highway Project 724-F.

Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell Page 2 November 17, 1997

As I indicated to you, I have no reason to believe the consideration described was not provided to the Hiners some 62 years ago. Also, the Attorney General's Office has provided comments on the legal aspects of this situation.

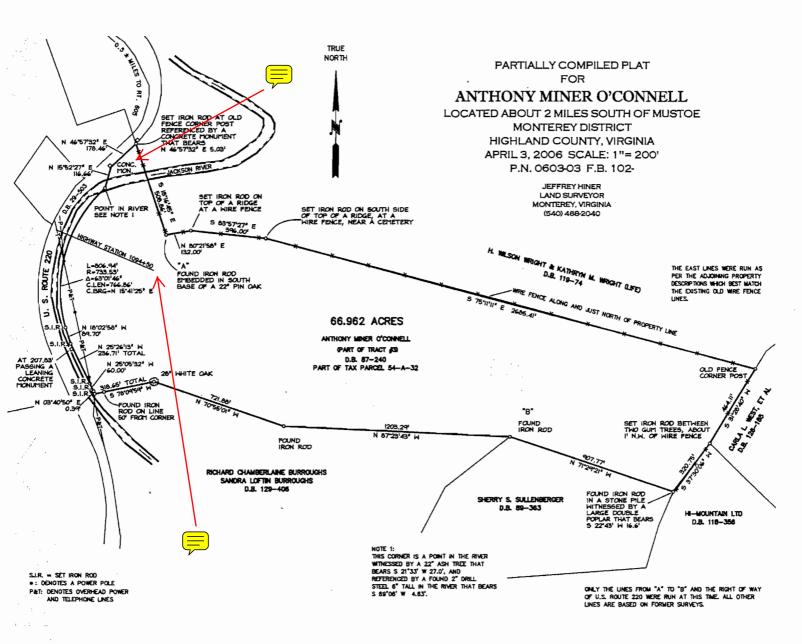
Should you need to meet with me again in the future, an appointment arranged through my secretary will assure that I will be here.

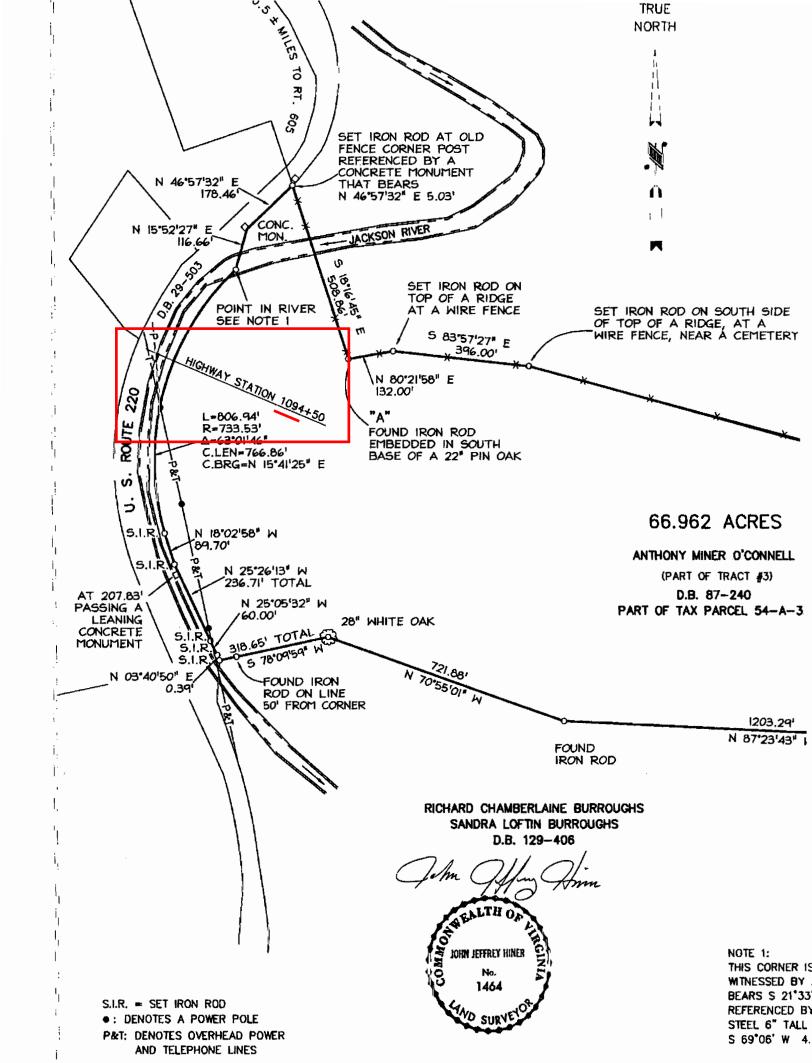
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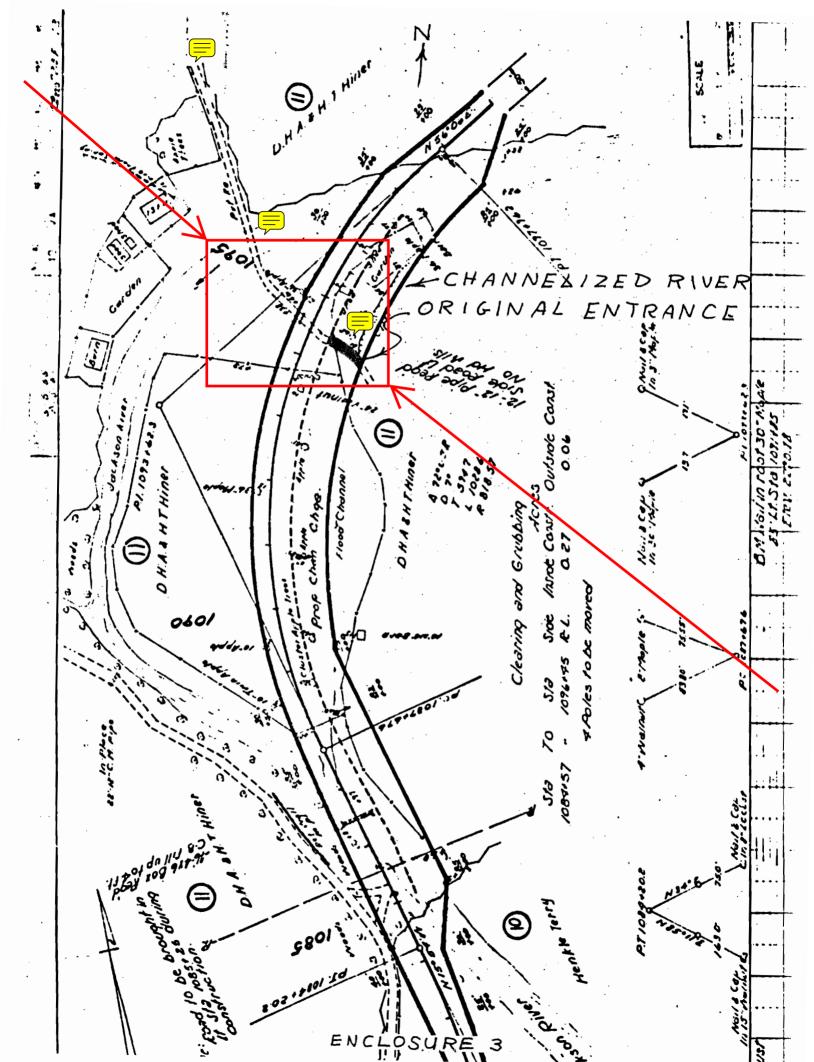
S. A. Waymack, Director Right of Way and Utilities Division

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## Entrance Accotink

Anthony O'Connell 6541 Franconia Road Springfield, VA 22150

June 27, 1989

Commissioner Carl Sell 2100 Chain Bridge Road Fairfax, VA 22030

> Reference: Hunter Tract/RZ 86-L-073/ Public Road to Parcel 17

Dear Commissioner Sell:

I am writing on behalf of my mother, Ms. Jean O'Connell, owner of Parcel 17.

Zoning attorneys tell me that this property cannot be developed at its present zoning of R-1 unless its required public streets access the public system over continuous dedicated public streets. The enclosed FDP of RZ 86-L-073 shows only a meandering right-of-way connecting to a private street with perpendicular parking. A public street cannot be built on the right-of-way, as VDOT will not permit such a connection. (Please see Appendix I.) I understand that under the rules of interparcel access, property cannot be landlocked, nor can a potential development under existing zoning be negated by adjacent rezoning.

Cinder Bed Road does not access Parcel 17. Aside from its opening into an industrial development, and whether construction of a public road down the center of a flood plain would be approved, this property was never dedicated as a road. (Please see Appendix II.)

Over the past several years, requests to get a proper access through RZ 86-L-073 have been in vain. Without the Carr development, there is a possibility of future access; if their plan is approved now, Parcel 17 will be forever landlocked.

Mr. John Herrington, Chief of the Site Analysis Branch of the Office of Transportation, states in his letter of December 23, 1986, page 10, footnote #3:

"A stub connection needs to be provided to parcel #17 in order to provide public street access to a potential residential development."

Construction of a public road to Parcel 17 is needed, and Ms. O'Connell is willing to share the cost equally with the rezoning applicant. In the past, access to Parcel 17 was from Beulah Street through the Hunter tract/RZ 86-L-073. This road is shown in red on the 1958 tax map in Appendix II.

Commissioner Carl Sell June 27, 1989 Page Two

I understand that the developer has proffered a large amount of money for off-site road construction, and that politically, this "tail wags the dog." If gifts make thing happen, please consider Jean O'Connell's contributions listed in Appendix III. Although, like members of the Lee District Land Use Advisory Committee, her expertise was given without thought of future compensation, I hope you will weight the long term value of her many generous acts.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours truly,

Anthony O'Connell

Anthony O'Connell

Enclosures:

FDP

Appendices I, II, III

cc: Supervisor Joseph Alexander

Mr. Robert Lawrence

Members, Lee District Land Use Advisory Committee

Members, Fairfax County Planning Commission

Mr. Lin Lemon, Jr.

Mr. John Herrington

Mr. John Winfield

Mr. Kevin Guinaw

Ms. Barbara Byron

Ms. Jean O'Connell

Mr. Ed White

Mr. Ken Sanders

Private Street

## APPENDIX I

- A. The applicable County Zoning Ordinances include:
  - 2-407 "Access to Residential Lots"

"All dwelling units shall have access to a dedicated Public Street except as provided for by the provisions of Part 3 of Article 11."

- 11-301 I paraphrase this lengthy section. It specifies where private streets are permitted. It does not include R-1.
- 11-202.1 "Limitations"

"Private streets within a development shall be limited to those streets which are not required or designed to provide access to adjacent properties as determined by the Director."

- B. The applicable Public Facilities Manual sections include:
  - 2-0102.1 "All single family detached dwelling unit building sites shall have frontage on existing state maintained public streets or standard streets for which construction is to be provided in accordance with 101-2-6 of the Fairfax County Code."
  - 7-0101.1 "Streets shall be provided to give access to adjoining acreage to the satisfaction of the Director. Also, streets shall be provided to connect with appropriate highways and with appropriate streets to adjoining subdivisions."
- C. The County Comprehensive Plan requires coordinated, interconnected streets.
- D. Section 15.1-466 of the State Code requires that the county subdivision ordinance require a coordinated street network. I understand Virginia's rationale for accepting streets into its system includes:
  - 1. Public streets have different specifications than private streets. Virginia will accept into its system only streets that meet public street specifications.
  - In order to maintain a public street, VDOT has to get to it. VDOT cannot go over private streets.

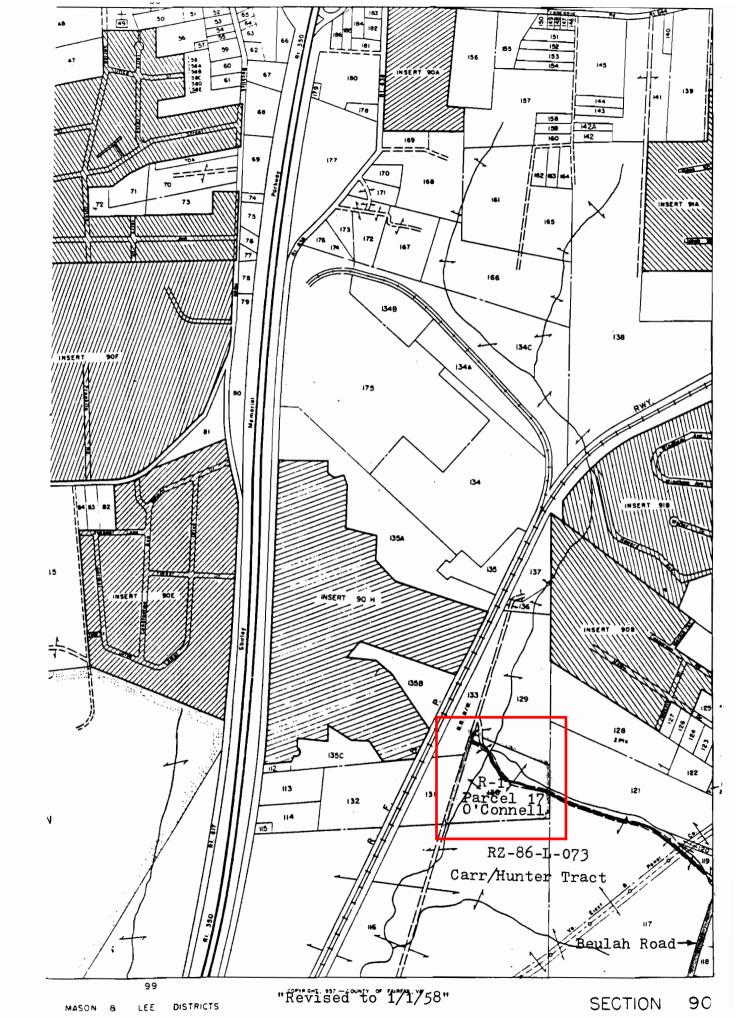
## APPENDIX II

My research of land records back to the 1850's shows no dedication of the abandoned railroad bed or any dedication of the adjacent lands from the 1.0 to 1.49 mile point north of Newington Road (Route 877). This is the portion along RZ 86-L-073 and Parcel 17. It is my understanding that the railroad still owns this property.

The attached 1958 tax map shows the abandoned railroad bed as broken lines (not dedicated), just as it shows the traditional access from Beulah Street to Parcel 17 as broken lines. This Beulah Street to Parcel 17 access is shown in red.

Considerable confusion has arisen because the current tax maps 90-4 and 99-2 show Cinder Bed Road as solid lines (dedicated) up to Parcel 17. These tax maps are incorrect. I believe the error is explained by the attached letter from Ms. Vivian Watts of October 13, 1987. I think that the road status sent by the State to the County is reflected in the County tax maps.

I anyone has any evidence that this property has been dedicated (other than the incorrect tax maps), or has any doubt that Parcel 17 is landlocked, please call me at (703) 971-2855.





## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Vivian E. Watts
Secretary of Transportation
and Public Safety

Office of the Governor Richmond 23219

October 13, 1987

Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell Conservator 2337 South Thirteenth Street St. Louis, Missouri 63104

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

Thank you for your recent letter pertaining to the maintenance of the northern portion of Cinder Bed Road.

I am advised the Department of Transportation has made a thorough review of all information available regarding the extent this road has been officially accepted into the secondary system of State highways. It has been determined that in 1932, a 0.8 mile section, from Newington Road to the north, was added to the system. Effective July 1, 1939, an additional 0.2 mile section was accepted into the system. As a result, the léngth of Route 637, between Route 877 and its northern terminus, became 1.0 miles. There is no indication of any subsequent acceptance of additional sections of this road into the system.

The 1.49 mile length for this section of road indicated on the recent maps of the secondary system in Fairfax County apparently occurred inadvertently in 1967 when the base map for the County was completely revised. However, I understand there is no indication the Department of Transportation officially accepted or performed any maintenance on any portion of this road other than the aforementioned 1.0 mile section.

I regret any inconvenience or misunderstanding the apparent mapping error may have caused. However, in the absence of any evidence to substantiate that the section of road in question was officially added to the system pursuant to applicable State

Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell October 13, 1987 Page 2

statutes, the Department of Transportation has no authority to maintain any portion of this road beyond a point one mile north of Newington Road.

Sincerely

ivian E. Watts

cc: Mr. Ray D. Pethtel

### APPENDIX III

Jean O'Connell has given much to the area during her 52 years of residence. She has received national recognition for her work as a professional landscape designer. She did the landscape design without compensation for:

- 1. The Franconia Olivet Episcopal Church
- 2. The Springfield Library
- 3. The Commonwealth Hospital in Fairfax
- 4. The Louise Archer Elementary School
- 5. Grandview Farmhouse and Pavilion, a National Trust for Historic Preservation property at Woodlawn
- 6. A memorial garden in the National Arboretum
- 7. The Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute
- 8. The Prince William Church
- 9. The 18th Century Magruder House of the Prince George Historical Society
- 10. The Wolf Trap Elementary School
- 11. The Pope-Leighey House by Frank Lloyd Wright
- 12. The Fair Oaks Hospital
- 13. The Clifton Episcopal Church
- 14. The Oakton Elementary School
- 15. The 4-H Club in Winchester
- 16. The roadbed of the abandoned W&OD Railroad in Vienna, now a bicycle path
- 17. The Springfield Chamber of Commerce (design of five or six logo gardens presently under way)

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