

## **EMS Commentary**

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AMB Response

Sorry it has taken a while to reply we have been very busy on the ambulance for the last few days... Also, the village station is getting the lighting upgrade today. However, Pine Cliff Road is important in time sensitive emergency responses. We try to respond using 123 to Gilsum mine road unless the call is on Pine Cliff Road. However, Pine Cliff Road being passible can be Critical in time sensitive emergencies., Jesse DPW Response

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We all know from past experience that you cannot exclude certain vehicles from using the road, for example, posting the road for "no through traffic." Even if we did spend the money for the new signs and take the time to put them up, we could not legally enforce it. As for putting out speed humps, we would have to pull them up every time we graded and then have to reset them after the road has been packed down. This would end up being very costly and time consuming. Therefore I am not in favor of adding speed humps.

After looking at the speed reports, the majority of the traffic is at or below the speed limit.

I strongly believe that it should be left the way it is and continue working with Southwest Regional Planning Commission.

Steve Reynolds, EMD

From the OEM perspective the gating of a public road is not supported as this could cause delays in emergency responses during critical times.

From a taxpayer perspective the restriction of travel on any town road for which taxpayer dollars are used to maintain to the benefit of a select few I find to be offensive.

I trust the Board will do the right thing after hearing from concerned parties.

### Fire Response

Hi there, any changes to Pine Cliff road, one way, dead end, narrowing will result in increased response. Dead end and one way will result in the largest increase in times, especially on the damn end of Pine Cliff if that is the end that is blocked to through traffic. Paving will have little change to response times, the exception would be during mud season. Narrowing would slow response times to a lesser amount then blocking or one way traffic. Our two engines are both large vehicles, long and wider and heavier then normal vehicles. Increased response times are becoming more and more problematic due to the loss of available help especially daytime during the week. Don't know if this will help but I believe it is what you were looking for. Kim

### PD Response

This is a complex matter, and certainly needs much more of a response than a few sentences.

However, my position is that changing this road concerning any of the below will have negative impacts on the residents and the police department. There have been multiple studies (three by the PD alone) that all indicate absolutely no widespread or concerning speeding issue on the dirt portion of Pine Cliff Road. Any traffic calming measures are completely unnecessary and unwarranted.

I am against making the road a one-way, closing one end and/or making the road narrower. All of these will impact emergency response times and create an unsafe road condition. There will be an increased crash risk to the motoring and pedestrian public.

As far as paving is concerned, I think that speeds will increase in the area that is now dirt once it is paved. This will lead to more speeding complaints and potentially an increase in the speed limit on the road.

Any changes made for this one road, based on a handful of complaints, should be considered applicable to all town roads. Precedent setting action must be considered prior to doing anything suggested or otherwise on Pine Cliff Road.