

801 S. Lincoln Avenue  
Marshfield, WI 54449  
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Dear Tom:

My husband, Don Halloran, and I dreaded the time when Lincoln Avenue would be widened. It would mean losing some of our beloved trees and the country flavor of our road.

To our great surprise, our worst fears did not come to pass. In fact, we were pleasantly surprised that you and Eric Jastromski, Gremmer Associates supervisor, listened to our concerns, took us seriously, and modified plans to accommodate us. On top of that, you and Eric were always friendly and kept us informed of the progress.


We especially want to thank you, Tom, for changing the sidewalk pattern in order to save some of our trees and the big oak next door. We thank Eric who made special arrangements to replant two bushes in the yard of our neighbors. Even without our request, he changed the placement of a sign so it would not be in our line of sight. We appreciate the sensitivity you and Eric showed which made a big difference in our accepting the project.

We could tell the whole project was well organized. Seeing how the work flowed seamlessly between major jobs was interesting to watch. We gained greater respect for the construction workers seeing how hard they worked and what expertise it took to complete the jobs. It was surprising how friendly everyone was. I never heard anyone complain, even when setbacks happened—everyone just kept on working even into the night and on weekends. It takes good management and positive morale among the workers for that to happen. Please thank the construction crews from A-1 Excavating and Trierweiler Ready Mix for us.

Today the new expanded Lincoln Avenue opened to traffic. Not only does it look beautiful, but our home is still nestled behind trees. With the bike paths, we can safely bike down the road and we are beginning to meet our neighbors who love walking on the sidewalks.

Thank you for all your efforts to make Lincoln Avenue beautiful and safe for all to enjoy.

Sincerely,

  
Sylvia Eisenmann