

Regarding the status of the minimum maintenance section of 192nd Road in Liberty Township, Cowley County, Ks

Michael Sevacek has requested that the township improve the section of 192nd Rd west of 141st Rd to provide him access to the place he plans to build a residence. He came to a board meeting with an estimate from a contractor regarding this improvement. He made a verbal offer of cost sharing for the project with no numerical amount specified for his part. Liberty Township Board said they would take it into consideration and discuss it.

It is the conclusion of the board that we are not in favor of changing the status of this road. The road has had this status for 50 years.

We feel that it is a community safety issue. To open and improve the road to Mr. Sevacek's desired point for him to conveniently locate his driveway would create an attractive dead end for tourist traffic, and perhaps facilitate the actions of those who may be out and about the countryside who are up to no good. Consequently these types of bad actors could very well end up at his home.

We also feel that accommodating Mr. Sevacek's request would unduly burden the budget and all the taxpayers of the township, as revenue collected from taxes on his property and the cost of the road improvements would not balance out. Presently the township budget is stressed by unavoidable road improvement [Esch Spur Rd/in conjunction with Pudden Bridge project] and damage repairs in multiple locations all over the township from recent flooding.

In conclusion, we recommend that Mr. Sevacek construct his own driveway on his own property.

Signed this day, August 12, 2025 Liberty Township Board Officers:

  
Janene Follmer / Trustee

  
Greg Feaster / Treasurer

  
Mary Kadau / Clerk