

**Addendum to 7256 and 7230 Lake Rd. W.**

**Parcel Numbers: 480050004101 (7230 Lake Road West)**

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Addendum: 7256 and 7230 Lake Rd W. Same issues here of the lack of credible professional workforce available, low income, poor quality of schools, well known one highest drug abuse communities in the state and crime. Last year in broad daylight and fully videoed on our Ring camera our fully equipped ski and fishing boat was stolen from my yard. Nothing was attempted by the sheriff to even take a report even though the truck used to steal the boat was also stolen. The truck was found and there likely were fingerprints and evidence but the sheriff refused to do anything in an effort to find our stolen property. A break in occurred a few years ago at this property and a valuable Honda dirt bike, cash, fishing gear and many valuables were stolen and again nothing was done by local law enforcement. My front door showed attempts to break in with a pry bar. Neighbors have passed away and lawlessness seems to prevail.

ODOT did roadwork and eminent domain forced sale of some of my frontage devaluing it and ruined the drainage on both of the LRW homes making them waterlogged and damp. We are presently hoping to bring action against ODOT for damaging my basements and air quality in my homes. The ditches are above the level of my house floor drains flooding the houses and rendering the property useless due to the amount of sitting water. To the west of these properties there are huge, unsightly junk piles and dilapidated trailers over the line in Geneva that butts up to my properties... \$300,000 property? No. I've had ODNR observe my acreage and because the forest is waterlogged the value of the trees are null. I have rented heavy equipment to improve drainage but with the road ditches it's not making an impact and all this expense was for not...

I live in the New Albany OH area inside the new Intel chip factory and my property tax did not increase as much as pitiful Ashtabula real estate without roads, street lights or industry did over the last 4 years.

Thank you.

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Reasoning for decreased tax assessment is as follows.

No improvements have been made to the properties. At the time of purchase of 7256 Lake Rd. W. the previous owner said how the basement was very dry and never flooded (there was a huge living space that included a large bedroom, half bath, bar and family room in the basement), however the years and decades after the Lake Road construction was completed by the state, there has been irreparable damages to the foundations. The foundation and families living in the home have suffered from mycotoxin illnesses and there have been multiple mold remediations.

The foundations have deteriorated, and the house is nearing a state of uninhabitability due to the growth of mold from excessive moistures with the state's shore reclamation work. After a recent inspection and measurement using laser levels (by a licensed engineer), it was determined the reason for the flooding and resulting foundation damages are due to the changes that the state made while repairing Lake Road in their attempts to have shore reclamation. The groundwater level was significantly raised and is now well above the lower finished grade of the basement of both 7256 and 7230.

Prior to the reconstruction of Lake Road by the state, there was a very deep ditch running the full length of the frontage (at least 6 foot deep relative to lake road), however, they have since dropped a drainage tile at the bottom of the ditch and raised drains at least 4 feet higher than the original bottom of the ditch. This change in elevation of drainage points has resulted in, not only great damage to the homes foundations but have greatly affected the health of the people that have inhabited the homes over the years. The mother and son, who have lived in his houses for years have been critically ill, and recently, the son and his family were diagnosed with mycotoxin illnesses.

Furthermore, the woods, which was a thriving maple forest, had stunted growth due to the raised water level (drowning very mature trees). The drains located in front of the houses have been raised to approximately four feet above the finished grade of the basements. And the bottom of the overflow tiles within the culvert system are located higher than the pipe which drains the basement of the homes. Also, the diameter of the overflow pipe is smaller than that of the pipe draining the home. This results in flooding of the homes when the drainage system is inundated regularly with high volume of rainwater, rather than the water overflowing to Lake Erie 20 feet below grade. Further investigation is underway, and litigation is likely due to the severe impacts on personal property and the health and well-being of the families that have inhabited the structures. For these reasons, tax assessment should be reconsidered at a much lower rate...