

Item # 9

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City of Rapid City  
Planning Department  
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Re: your letter advising of public meetings on the subject of renaming E 53<sup>rd</sup> Street to Reservoir road.

I strongly opposed Pennington County's renaming action, and will also lodge my protest to your department. The issue of renaming the street is unfounded, based solely on rationalization of some non-issue. What was "fed" to the constituents of Rapid Valley was that emergency vehicles couldn't find E. 53<sup>rd</sup>! I hardly see how that could be, because people all over Rapid City know where it is, and they aren't even paid to drive emergency vehicles. What's more, the Fire Department is located right beside it.

The change has no basis in reality. There will be tremendous, unnecessary expense and activity generated by this action, both directly and indirectly. Maps, road signs, resident's addresses, telephone records, on-and-on—all these and more are affected by this needless change. I know I will be dealing with the effects of this for years to come.

If you rule to change the name, you are subscribing to the same weak, off-balance justification that Pennington County bought. I hope you listen to the people who speak out on this issue better than Pennington County did.

Sincerely,

  
Alan Buhler

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