January 25, 2014

Dear Catherine,

The fence is done and Debra said she is very happy with it. We ended up hiring a new person who not only finished it but rebuilt it so it won't come down in a wind storm.

The diagonal support 2x4s are on our side of the fence. They will stay in place for at least a month until the concrete is totally cured. At that time we will fill in the tops of the post holes as well. The fence is totally on our side of the property line, even the cement bases. Debra said she is willing to sign an agreement that she and we know that it is not on the property line.

The fence extends from the agreed upon grove of trees at the north end of 1531 Thomas St, between 4" and 1' west of the property line, to where that property abuts 1521 Thomas St, then continues in a straight line behind 1521 to near the big fir tree on the property line. From this point on there are woods on our property that neither our adjacent neighbor nor our community wanted to disturb for a fence.

The uneven top of the fence is because of the slope. We all wanted to make the fence as tall as allowed and agreed that the stepped down top was a good solution. Note that in the photo showing the whole fence from the neighbors side (the pretty side of the fence) there is a sunny spot at the far left and if you look closely you can see the last sections of the fence. You may also notice from our side that there is a space in the fence without boards so that we can see the large tree, part of which is on our side of the property line. This was intentional.

The garbage dumpster pad is near our original line up of garbage cans as you can see in the photo by the lineup of recycle carts and the yard cart. This has worked out very well because now there is plenty of room for all needed carts and the dumpster can be picked up without our losing any parking places. No neighbor from any property is affected by the site, smell or collection noise of the dumpster because it is in the center of our property. Our plan is to plant rhododendrons between the dumpster and the new common house. Since we plan to start construction on the common house this spring we will wait until after that construction to plant all of the landscaping around the new building. I am pleased by its looks and think it actually looks better than several of the rolling carts.

Let me know when we can get on the City Council agenda. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks for your patience, Liv Monroe









