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Hammond's highway plans are drawing fire from both the town board and the Democratic sector of politics, including former county administrator Thomas Luckie and ex-Democrat Joseph P. Arduine. "I don't know of anyone from the Democratic party who supports the four-lane highway project," Arduine said.

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"They're talking about a four-lane highway along a curvy roadway," Luckie said. "That's just the wrong road."

Arduine said Hammond's highway plans aren't the only problem. "The town board is in the midst of a political football," Arduine said.

Arduine said he thinks "it's probably the only way to keep the Democratic party from going under."

Wilson said he has always supported the idea of a four-lane highway. "We used to spend quite a bit of time discussing it with the town board," Wilson said. "I'm not sure if they're even discussing it anymore."

Wilson and Luckie both agree that the town board needs to be held accountable for its decisions. "We need a new town board," Wilson said. "We need people who are going to make the right decisions."

Arduine said the town board is "running out of ideas."

Wilson said he expects the town board to make a decision soon. "I don't think the town board will be able to make a decision without the voters' input," Wilson said. "I think they're going to have to hold a referendum."