

**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL CAUCUS**  
**Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 8:00 p.m.**  
**Mayfield Village Civic Hall**

The Council of Mayfield Village met in Caucus Session on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. in Mayfield Village Civic Hall. Council President Bill Buckholtz presided.

ROLL CALL: Present: Mr. Buckholtz, Mrs. Cinco, Mr. Marquardt, Mrs. Mills,  
Mr. Marrie, Mr. Saponaro and Dr. Parker

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Rinker, Mr. Wynne, Ms. Calta, Chief Dearden,  
Mr. Metzung, Mr. Marrelli, Mr. Cappello,  
Lieutenant Shrefler, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Dinardo,  
Mr. Esborn, Mrs. Kalina and Mrs. Betsa

**GENERAL**

**. Presentation by Sari Feldman, Executive Director, Cuyahoga County Public Library**

Council President Buckholtz introduced Sari Feldman, Executive Director of the Cuyahoga County Public Library. Council President Buckholtz asked Mayor Rinker if he would like to add anything.

Mayor Rinker welcomed Sari Feldman. Glad you are here. We are very excited to hear what you are going to present. Take it away.

Sari Feldman thanked Council President Buckholtz for allowing her to address Council this evening. I am very pleased to be here. I am here to talk with you about the plans that Cuyahoga County Public Library has for libraries in this County, particularly focusing on our capital plans and how we hope to achieve what we think will be a very, very successful endeavor in Mayfield Village to serve the Mayfield area of the County.

I would like to start by giving a little background on the plans that we have for our capital program. I have a few slides to illustrate our intentions and I will very much welcome the questions from Council and from others.

This is the culmination of a four-year process for the Cuyahoga County Public Library to create a Facilities Master Plan. The idea of a Facilities Master Plan grew out of a Capital Advisory Committee where 45 residents from across the County from our library system representing business, government, clergy and education met five or six times to help us consider a new plan

to meet our capital needs. Mayor Rinker joined as part of this advisory group. We looked at the way our capital program was funded. As you know in the past, cities and school districts put a bond issue on the ballot when there was a need for major repair, renovation or replacement of a library building. The library leased that facility and paid for all upkeep and maintenance and minor capital repairs over the life of the library.

We had come to a point where we had buildings that needed to be addressed in a major way, whether they needed repairs or they needed renovation to provide contemporary library service. There were no cities or school districts that were in a position to put a bond issue on the ballot for the library. We were really in a very, very difficult position. We also saw the cost of our capital maintenance rising significantly every year and we began to be concerned about how the expenditures we were making on capital maintenance for the 28 buildings that we had the responsibility to care for as well as our administration building was eroding our operating budget.

This Capital Advisory Committee really studied the way projects were funded in other libraries across the country and in the State of Ohio. They also looked at the future of public libraries and a number of other issues. They made two significant recommendations to our Board of Trustees. They said to the Board that there should be centers of excellence everywhere there was a Cuyahoga County Public Library. That the kind of inequity we see across the County should end and we should be consistent and equitable and that we should move toward a capital funding method that was like our operational funding that was a system-wide funding to meet capital needs.

The Board continued to study and address different methods for the way this could be done and in the end determined that when we went to the ballot in November of 2008 we would go for some additional funding beyond our operational needs to be able to pay debt service on bonds or as we now know, Notes, from the Cuyahoga County Public Library, and we would be able to pay that debt service out of our operating budget.

That is how the Board has proceeded. We passed that issue in November of 2008. We were very fortunate to be able to pass the issue at the time when the economy was really beginning to take a significant downturn. We had the funding in place at this time for our operating budget and also to be able to pay debt service on Notes.

The Library then proceeded to have a Facilities Master Plan done after we passed our levy issue in November of 2008 to study all of the buildings in our Cuyahoga County Public Library. This Plan looked at the condition of buildings, the availability and the potential to deliver service out of the existing buildings and opportunity to support the economic or cultural development of our various communities. The Board determined that our long-term financial plan should emphasize that we would be Convenient, Accountable, Relevant and Effective, what we call "CARE" and the CARE Plan seeks to maximize the library's financial resources by allowing us to continue to make investments in innovation and technology.

Our original concept when we went to the ballot was to have a capital plan where we would touch every building in the system because quite frankly, every building could use some

investment to advance the services of the library system. However, about a year ago, all libraries in the State of Ohio were reduced in terms of State funding that we received by a fairly significant amount. For us it represented \$4.5 million for the first six months of the biennium or nearly \$10 million for the year 2010. We do not expect to recover that funding and in fact we are at risk for additional reductions from the State, so we reexamined the capital program that we had hoped to achieve and we modified it and we have identified 13 priority projects that we really feel must be done to successfully deliver service in Cuyahoga County.

I just want to say that when we looked at the capital maintenance that was necessary after the facilities were studied, we realized it would cost about \$3.5 million in each of the next 10 years to bring all of our buildings up to the standards that were required. This is not just new carpet, but many of our buildings need significant masonry work done, parking lots, HVAC system. Actually the debt service that we will be paying is \$4.7 million per year. So, really, the fact that we would be able to have newer facilities and we will be able to reduce some of our operating costs by upgrading these 13 facilities is very significant to us.

For your interest, we actually have two branches in library-dense areas in the County that are going to move from traditional stand-alone facilities to reused rental locations like our Richmond Heights facility on Wilson Mills Road. We have two branches in Parma which will actually be consolidated to reflect declining population. And so these changes combined with other efficiencies addressed in the 13 are intended to reduce our operating costs to enable us to really be sustainable at our current \$2.5 million and our State money.

So now we get to our Mayfield branch. When the Mayfield branch was studied and analyzed by Bostwick Design as part of the facilities study, it was determined that it would cost nearly \$6 million to both do the necessary repairs and add to the building to meet the size recommended for the population of this area. We consider the branch undersized. Very often it is overcrowded and doesn't have adequate meeting rooms and doesn't have an adequate children's area. We can discuss any of the other inadequacies, or the full details are up on the website.

We also determined that even if we invested this \$6 million and we expanded it as well as did the necessary repairs, we would still be extremely constrained by the existing design of that building. We would be constrained in our ability to reduce some operating costs by the two stories. It's the second most expensive building for us to operate in the Cuyahoga County system because it is two stories and requires more staff for security and contact points throughout the building. We would be constrained by the boundaries of the current size.

As we worked within our own Capital Plan and the footprint we are trying to create throughout Cuyahoga County, it was clear to us that a new Mayfield branch would give us the opportunity to create from scratch a state of the art beautiful environmentally efficient branch with the ability to deliver outstanding library service. We of course also see the opportunity through some of the environmental and energy efficiencies and, as I mentioned the reduction in staffing, to have that building continue to be much more sustainable.

Our Board recommended in its 13 priorities that we would replace the Mayfield branch. These priorities were then presented to the public. We had a public comment period. We made sure that

the newspaper wrote about the change so people would be aware. We talked about the change. I want to say to this Council that we had only two comments that came from people who identified themselves with the Mayfield branch. Both comments were extremely positive about the idea of moving to a facility that would be much more accessible and much easier for customers to use.

I also want to stress that there will be no new taxes. I know people often say that, but there will be no new taxes required to construct what we believe will be an about \$11 or 12 million project for a County library.

We have sold the Notes at this point and we are now on a three-year timetable to accomplish this project. We want to move forward in Mayfield Village, so let me tell you a little bit about this project.

This new branch will be 30,000 square feet on a single level compared to 23,800 square feet, not all of which is currently usable because of the configuration of the branch.

It will house a collection of about 150,000 items for all ages and in all formats.

It will offer access to over 50 computers which will be double the number of computers that we currently have.

It will have generous parking and we hope a convenient drive-up service window as part of its new configuration and we hope that Council will be agreeable that we can co-exist with the Village's hike and bike trails connecting to other area amenities and actually creating a sense of connection between all aspects of what we think of as a healthy lifestyle, both the outdoor lifestyle and the intellectual lifestyle. We hope that we will be able to develop an outdoor seating area and café space. With proximity to the Metropark and other recreational facilities, the library will strive to incorporate the natural surroundings and features that support sustainability.

There will be significant emphasis on community gathering space including a large dividable meeting room, a conference room and a youth programming space.

The current Mayfield branch has terrible space for community gathering. The one meeting room is not really available to the community because it is the only meeting space in the library and we use it for library programs and it is often inadequate for the kinds of programming we would like to bring to the branch.

We will also have engaging play and learning spaces for children and areas reserved for quiet contemplation and studying.

This is a little bit about the timetable. We are hoping in October of 2010 to put out a Request for Qualifications for this project and five other capital projects. The only other new facility in this grouping will be the Garfield Heights branch. The others will be renovation and reuse projects. We currently have a Warrensville Heights branch that we have already selected architects and construction managers.

We would then have contracts awarded in early 2011 and design would begin immediately.

Community engagement will occur in early 2011 to solicit input on features and design. In Warrensville Heights for example, we held 8 focus groups to make sure there was lots of community input.

I might add that once we come to agreement or Council makes their decision, we would like to come into this community and meet with residents to once again inform them about the reason that we are constructing new rather than renovating the current building, talk with them about the new location and why that is the ideal location. We see ourselves as your partner in communicating in Mayfield Village.

We would hope the groundbreaking would occur in the summer of 2011.

It would be open to the public by early 2014. The existing Mayfield branch will remain open until about two weeks before the new branch opens.

We have already informed the School District of our intention to move forward with a new branch. The School District has owned that branch. They have some various uses under consideration for the building.

Referring to the powerpoint presentation, this is an example of our Strongsville branch which is one of our newer facilities. I am just showing it to you for your interest. It's not our practice to engage an architect to create preliminary designs until after the land acquisition is complete, so we don't have drawings or renderings of the new Mayfield branch to show you tonight, but I have a few exterior shots like this one and a few interior photos of some of our newer or newly-renovated buildings. This is our busiest branch, by the way, and it circulates 1.2 million items approximately and it opened in 2003.

Referring to the next slide, this is the Solon branch. It has 25,000 square feet. It opened in 1998.

The next slide is the Fairview Park branch. It is actually larger. It is 44,000 square feet. It opened in 1997.

The next slide is North Olmsted. It opened in 2004. It's 31,000 square feet. This is about the size that the Mayfield branch would be.

When we begin to work on design, obviously we will work with the city. We will try to incorporate the thinking of the community, the thinking of Council and create a design that will speak to people who live in this area.

Dr. Parker asked, so that I assume has two floors?

Ms. Feldman replied, no, that is a single floor. These are among the last buildings that we built under the old model. The city selected the architect and the construction managers and the city had a vision for the kind of design that they wanted.

Dr. Parker asked, so this property is still owned by the city under the old method?

Ms. Feldman replied, this particular library.

Dr. Parker asked, and the others, Solon?

Ms. Feldman replied, yes, because they were built prior to this stage.

Dr. Parker asked, so, have any been built after the change?

Ms. Feldman replied, well we just made the change. We have the Warrensville Heights facility under it. We have the architect and the construction manager and we have the deed to the land by the City of Warrensville Heights to build the library and we are close to the deed in Garfield Heights to begin construction there. All of this work has been done in 2010 to begin the process of construction.

Ms. Feldman showed some sample renderings on the powerpoint from Warrensville Heights. It will be the home to a new 25,000 square foot branch that we anticipate will open in 2012.

Ms. Feldman asked, Dr. Parker did I fully answer your question?

Dr. Parker replied, yes, thank you.

Ms. Feldman continued, this is an interior shot of the Brecksville branch. We had a flood in Brecksville, a very significant flood, where the backflow didn't close to prevent sewage from coming into the building during a flood. It was a 100-year flood out there. The building had to be shut down. We had flood insurance and were able to go in and completely gut the building and renovate it. It turned out really beautiful.

Ms. Feldman showed an example of a small conference room in Strongsville. All of our conference and meeting rooms are wireless. They can be converted into computer labs. They can be used in many many different ways by the community.

Ms. Feldman showed a large meeting room at the North Olmsted branch. It can actually be divided. All of these meeting rooms have kitchens attached to them so they can be used for a variety of community meetings.

Ms. Feldman showed a renovated North Olmsted branch children's area. The far façade was chosen because the first library in the Western Reserve came out to North Olmsted and actually there's the ox, the books were brought out by oxcart. These are features for children to use their imagination to play, a place for families to gather with young children, used in all seasons, but of course particularly in the winter when there's not a lot of other places parents can bring their

noisy active children. This is pretty typical now of libraries to have play, learn and grow areas. Of course, books are still a main attraction in children's areas.

Going on to the next slide, a North Olmsted teen space, the city released some funds that had been held up after the completion of our North Olmsted branch and we used it to create this teen space which is used primarily as a homework center or teen learning space after school and on the weekends.

The next slide was the Richmond Heights branch on Wilson Mills Road. It's actually a reused space in a strip mall. This is an example of how we are using space differently to really market our materials. In this particular branch, the redesign of space in a more bookstore organization has increased circulation significantly and although the library space plus the meeting room is only 3,000 square feet, this branch actually circulates more than three other branches in our system because the books are displayed and so inviting.

That completes my formal presentation. I am happy to answer any questions that people have. We are very very excited about this project. We think it's just going to be an incredible branch library. We love the possibility of the location. We think it offers so many opportunities for programming and bringing service to the community. It's just going to be so convenient for people. We hope that you are going to give it serious consideration.

Mayor Rinker stated, that was exceptional. Thank you very much.

Council President Buckholtz was hoping to open it up specifically to Council for any questions that you might have directly for Ms. Feldman.

Mr. Saponaro asked, under the new program, can you talk about the reversionary clause that would be placed in the deed?

Ms. Feldman replied, I believe the attorneys are working on that right at the moment. I think in the other deed agreements that we have, should we no longer operate the facility that we construct as a library then the land would revert back to the city. It is our intention that it will be wonderful and successful.

Mayor Rinker replied, we are with you.

Mr. Marquardt asked, why is it that your capital program does not include land acquisition?

Ms. Feldman replied, it might have if we had had the original amount of money that we thought we were going to have, but because our operating budget has been reduced by about \$10 million per year, we really had to reduce our capital expenditures and therefore we are trying to accomplish projects in the most affordable way that we can. The better we are able to acquire the land the more money there is to do projects.

Dr. Parker asked, why with modern building techniques and such, I can understand the old library could be an issue, but why would it not be more affordable and work out as well to have

multiple floors especially considering that there's a certain level of cost and convenience in terms of being able to build up instead of building out?

Ms. Feldman replied, for us it's staffing costs and staff is our most expensive operating cost. Wherever we have service points we have to have people. We are open an incredible number of hours for a library system and we open a lot of buildings those hours, so we need to keep our staff costs under control as I am sure anybody who is any kind of business can understand that. A single story with great sitelines affords the best security and it also reduces our staffing footprint that we need to have for the building. In addition to that, it reduces some other mechanical costs associated with elevators and those kind of things.

Dr. Parker asked, so how many staff or employees would we expect to be employed by the library in the new facility and how is that compared to the old facility?

Ms. Feldman replied, I don't have those numbers in front of me, so I shouldn't speak off the top of my head and I will get the actual numbers, but I believe we operate currently with about 22 full-time equivalents and I think we are looking at 13 full-time equivalents. So that's a big difference for us financially.

Mr. Marquardt asked, what is the appraised value of the property that's being proposed to be donated to this?

Mayor Rinker replied, we don't know.

Council President Buckholtz asked, is that a question for us?

Mr. Marquardt replied, well I'm sure that she doesn't know, yes, I would say that that would be part of the evaluation of the project.

Mayor Rinker replied, yes, the memo addressed that, we don't know.

Ms. Calta replied, I tried to do my best based on information that we have where this property and the surrounding property, I used the best information that we have on appraisals that have been done on this land and neighboring land. When we widened the road in 2002, there were appraisals done again in 2007, I believe, so those are the numbers that I gave you but there hasn't been a new appraisal done and you will see on the map this is a parcel that's actually being carved out, so it's a new parcel and it has not been appraised but those are the best numbers that we have and given that the market hasn't been increasing, as I said in the memo, they're probably a bit high because they also don't take into consideration the wetlands that are located on the property and that most of this property is residential and when appraisals were done it included a lot of the property in the area that is not just zoned residential so it's kind of a mix-up of zoning in those prices as well.

Mr. Marquardt asked, so we don't know?

Ms. Calta replied, no, I don't know.

Dr. Parker asked, at what point can we look at how the change in this property would impact other development on the remaining acreage there? Have we studied that or looked at whether, in the past Progressive obviously had wanted that property for what they wanted to do and it was very important, but they paid dearly for it. I guess my question to you is, how do we know what impact placing this structure and these things on that property would have on the value of the remaining property be it to raise or lower? We've not even looked at that imprint.

Mayor Rinker replied, that's not true. We have looked at that. The actual footprint for this parcel was recommended to us by the real estate person, Ron Marrotto from Progressive. They looked at that closely and part of our discussion over the last 6 months has included trying to sound out from Progressive how future development of the site could be affected. So the location of access into the site would remain predominantly the same but we don't know what the actual footprint of future development will be. That's totally speculative. The goal has been to separate out predominantly residential frontage which was originally Progressive's plan and then beyond that there are stream and wetland areas that are already affected so the ability to minimize adverse impacts to those environmentally sensitive areas actually dovetails pretty well with the existing zoning. So at the end of the day the most developable portion from Progressive's standpoint is being kept segregated from what we see as the Village and public uses. The main access point would be opposite Hickory Hill and Progressive has already indicated that it has certain wetland mitigation credits that it would donate to us for any impacts that would be caused for creating access to the back portion of the property.

Mayor Rinker continued, the problem Steve, is that we don't have a development plan on the scale of the way Campus 3 was which was of course the driver for our acquiring the property in the first place. Progressive paid the money. We have title to the land. We gave up some 6 acres to the north of the soccer fields as part of that overall deal, so Progressive has looked at a certain amount of land being donated back which was an amalgam of the original Development Agreement and as I have explained to Council on a number of occasions, we are going to have to work out some kind of, as I have termed it, a de-development agreement with Progressive. But this is an issue that we can look at now. We have had input from Progressive, direct input so that Progressive is aware and has been very supportive of the project.

Mr. Marrotte asked, Mayor Rinker, for those of us in the audience that are ignorant to this project, would you indicate exactly what piece of property that is being talked about?

Mayor Rinker replied, it incorporates, and we still don't have a full calculation of the exact within the boundary of the old Costanzo footprint. Mayor Rinker referred to the powerpoint slide which was the map. Just so people are oriented, north is at the top, so we are looking at the west side of SOM Center Road. This vertical line reflects the division between single family residential in the front and in the rear there are two different commercial zoning uses. The first would be office laboratory and then there's a warehouse distribution. You can see this line. Anything next to residential by the layercake zoning standard is the office laboratory use and then over here is production distribution by 271. Not dissimilar to the split of property that we had with the LaConte and Schultz properties as you run from west to east, Highland, SOM and then White Road to the north, all those frontages are single-family residential. The next layer end

is the office laboratory and then the final is the production distribution, most intensive use next to the interstate.

This property was strategic because it goes so deeply into the remaining property originally owned by the Goldberg Company and sold to Progressive in 2005. The price at that time was \$178,000 an acre. It was roughly 65 acres that they acquired. This property has been strategic for that reason because it isolates this kind of panhandle to the north. This is the Fappiano, the landscaping property and for setbacks and for development purposes, it pretty well takes this out of commission.

The site the library is looking at is this L-shape, and Tom Cappello will provide to Council, we are trying to calculate that it is sort of the separate boxes in here, but this is a 5-acre L-shaped property. The idea is to take advantage of most of the frontage area being residential and then coming in along here we try to give a generous amount of land, this is something the library says that it can work with with its architect in order to look at footprintability and parking. That will go through Planning and Zoning. It will go through our regular permitting review process.

Nobody has a site plan, so we have tried to anticipate enough flexibility there. Progressive has indicated to us that it would also look to donate this land in the Village and as we look further south, all of these swirls on here reflect delineated wetland areas. This is a creative one. This one was also created. We originally looked at South Commons coming in here to access Campus 3.

The idea all along, and it was with much study that we looked at the main access to be opposite Hickory Hill, a four-way intersection, but we knew that it would impact this man-made wetland area which under regulations it's wetland however it gets made. So we would be looking to originally some kind of driveway hook-up but the goal would be to anticipate, Dr. Parker, what eventually would be the main access to the back land subject to whatever development. So I suspect we probably would look at a two-step process where the original access point would be simply sufficient, as low-impact as possible. To access the library site we would probably try to create some kind of berm impact area to expand what the future right away would be, but our goal would be to impact the existing wetland areas as little as possible. We also feel that will be part of an amenity for the site. That's to the north.

To the south, because of this existing delineated area, streams are in here, you may recall that the original Campus 3 plan essentially took this entire arc by the way along the backs of the properties on Highland as an area that would not be developed. A lot of it is because it's expensive to develop. A lot of it is because it's already zoned residential, so it's not as economically feasible to be able to try to commadeer this property. On the contrary, what we were looking at was the impacts of the development for commercial purposes would actually inure to the benefit of our linear park system because we anticipated, this was after the Development Agreement was executed, but we anticipated that because it was not favorable for development purposes, it would be good for passive use and run our trail system through there. So much of this we feel will still be the future. If anything with the library being part of our trail system and with Progressive supporting it, we see that the future chances of solidifying the greenway corridor are all the better enhanced by the development.

So right now the preliminary step, Mr. Marrotte is this L-shaped property. Eventually the library will come in. It will go through preliminary site plan, final site plan, the regular permitting process once we know what we are dealing with. As Ms. Feldman has said, we have been told by the library that they really do want to work with us. That the design issues are issues for us and are also important for them. It is an exceptional site.

Council President Buckholtz stated, I think the simple answer is, if I can put it the way I see it, it seems like this is the area that was going to be pretty much untouched under the Progressive agreement, that we were going to keep it park-like greenspace between wetlands. Now we have the opportunity of putting a library there. So I think one of the big things that's come out of all of the public meetings that we have ever had with any development in that area is effective screening. I think that this, even though it's not agriculture, it's another way of effectively screening and enhancing the idea of business. That's the first reaction I had to it. Less technical explanation there, that's the way it struck me.

Mr. Marrotte asked, this is the piece of property with the big brick barn on it?

Mayor Rinker replied, correct.

Mr. Marrotte replied, that's what I wanted to know.

Mayor Rinker added, that everyone wants taken down.

Dr. Parker asked, how many acres of wetland mitigation?

Mayor Rinker replied, again, this is off the top of my head. My recollection is that between two separate stream bed areas and the linear feet, several hundred linear feet, which is how they measure stream areas and I think the total wetland area is about 11 ½ acres on the property that Progressive had acquired. So the Goldbergs made a killing, as did Mr. Costanzo.

Mrs. Eisenberg stated, you know what I like about our library now? It's near a school. And this one will not be near any schools. I think the idea of having the library as part of the campus, as part of the schools, is wonderful. I love the one in Beachwood because it's part of all the schools. The children can get there.

Mayor Rinker asked to respond, because he thinks it's an important question. What a lot of people may not know is when we were made aware by the library that it was looking either to expand or to relocate, we were very actively involved in trying to vet out an alternative location. We actually looked at this particular site. We looked across the street. We even were trying to see what we might be able to work out in kind of co-locating with some of the properties up on Beta. We were told, I remember distinctly from Ms. Feldman saying that they would love to be next to Center School. They would prefer that to the High School quite frankly, that that would be ideal and I know that the board of the library looked long and hard at site locations.

We have been made aware that other communities, Highland Heights for one, would love to have the library go there. The fact that we were able to keep the library within Mayfield and in a location like this, we think, is at the end of the day well worth it. But we did look at these alternatives. This was not the first choice as it were.

Mr. Marrie asked Ms. Feldman, the Brecksville, Strongsville, the ones that were done in the old system, the cities paid for those?

Ms. Feldman replied, cities or, in both of those cases, cities put bond issues on the ballot.

Mr. Marrie asked, so the taxpayers of those cities, villages, whatever, are the ones that bore the cost where in this case there will be no cost to the residents of Mayfield, am I correct?

Ms. Feldman replied, correct. And in the future those communities will have their major renovations, capital needs met without any additional cost.

Mr. Marrie replied, thank you.

Dr. Parker asked, with the properties that you acquired up by the school, how much total acreage is there that the library site has?

Ms. Feldman replied, I think we are still discussing what the acreage potential is there. I know that the minimum for this size building will be 5 acres.

Council President Buckholtz asked, are you talking about the current site?

Dr. Parker replied, I mean the current site.

Ms. Feldman did not know.

Mayor Rinker replied, the current site is currently owned by the School District.

Dr. Parker replied, right. I wanted to echo what Mrs. Eisenberg said because I too had somebody mention to me that they liked the idea that it was located near the school.

Ms. Feldman stated, I want to just add, we heard nothing during our public comments.

Dr. Parker said, well I am just telling you what I heard. My question is, has the school been approached about deeding their property over to the library so that the library would in essence own that property now instead of leasing it and have the right to do whatever they wanted to do per se within reason?

Ms. Feldman replied, there's a couple reasons. One, we think that the school has some, we have had discussions with the school. We think the school has some purpose for that building and so tearing down that building does not seem to be in the best interest of the school or the library to incur the expense to basically deconstruct that building. As I said we are kind of limited on that

site and we are very landlocked on that site. We have had issues with traffic patterns on that site. We have terrible parking issues there all the time. That's when I do hear from the residents of this area when we have parking problems over there. Again, we are very limited to what we can do at that current site. I think people feel some sentimentality toward that building and do not want to see that building torn down.

Council President Buckholtz suggested, and you have been very kind with your time and your presentation, this is a Caucus meeting and this is where we talk about these things and this is where we talk about it here and then send it on to Committees to look at it further. Everybody can have another chance to ask a question but then I would like to let Ms. Feldman to have the opportunity to leave and not have to sit through the whole meeting. That doesn't mean that we don't continue to discuss it.

Ms. Feldman stated, and I am happy to have, the Mayor certainly has my e-mail address, and have you send me additional questions or call me or come back to meet with Committees if that is the pleasure of this Council.

Mrs. Triner had a question of Ms. Feldman. Two questions, first, a statement that we love the library. It is fabulous. Two questions, I am not up to date on what the electronic use of the books are and what your projections are, but with all the young people going forward, they may not share our love of the actual book. Secondly, since you have had such good luck at the Richmond Heights and the Mall and there seems to be a lot of retail space available. I agree with Marge about it would be nice to have it by a school, but have you thought about duplicating that with Mayfield Village or something? Thank you for the good job you do.

Ms. Feldman thanked Mrs. Triner very much. I appreciate that. Let me say that in this area of the County when we look at our footprint across the County, we are a system, we think that we should have a full-service branch. We are not looking to replicate a small retail model. If there was a large retail space available in Mayfield Village, we have been looking exclusively to replace this library in Mayfield Village. Even though as the Mayor has said, we have been approached by other communities that make up what we consider the Mayfield library district. We have not identified a retail space. We will have some showcasing of books. And there was a second part?

Mrs. Triner asked about the electronic books.

Ms. Feldman replied, although electronic books continue to be a growing portion of circulation, it is still really less than 1% of our circulation. We continue to see our circulation grow by a million items per year overall in the library system. We are the fifth busiest library system in the United States. We are the busiest library system in the United States per capita and I would say this part of the County is a strong reading community and we circulate more print than non-print out of our library, so we think in the long-term future we will still be circulating books although we will be interested in the public spaces, the convening spaces in the library as well as the collection spaces.

Dr. Parker asked, so is a site, let's say on Beta Drive, not reasonable because you would have to purchase it, is that the biggest problem with, let's say on Beta Drive where there might be empty or vacant buildings or property or whatever?

Ms. Feldman replied, we looked. We actually have had many conversations with the Mayor and I think that we did not see the right kind of parcel for accessibility and visibility. It's very important for people to know where their community library is. One of the constant complaints we get from people is they cannot find the library. I know you know where the library is, but for a lot of people it's not visible in its current location and so we were very interested. Ideally we wanted to be at a corner. We wanted to be on the corner of Wilson Mills and SOM Center. I know that we looked extensively at Beta. We did not send somebody out to try to get pricing on any parcels, but we did not see the way to put together the right kind of parcels on Beta.

Mr. Marrotte asked, obviously locating it down there on SOM you would expect 100% of the people that use it would come there by automobile. Walking in the neighborhood is probably not a feature you perceive as being big. I would guess probably 99.9% would drive. I doubt that there's very many people that would walk there.

Ms. Feldman replied, I believe there's some residential by the proposed location. Historically libraries attract residential. There's also possibly the potential for residential in the future. But I think you're correct. We live in an environment where people drive to use services. We don't see a lot of foot traffic and in fact high school students are not the, although the image that people have is that students and older adults with more leisure time are the primary users of public libraries, in our market research that we did about two years ago, our primary user group is adults with families, but adults from about 30-50 or 60 years of age. That's our primary user group. They are likely to be driving after work, the drive-up window is even more convenient for them.

Council President Buckholtz asked, would this potentially be a drive-up window that you are not coming in to oncoming traffic?

Ms. Feldman replied, we will work with the Village to make sure.

Council President Buckholtz thanked Ms. Feldman again for coming. I know you will be available.

Ms. Feldman replied, I will get the answer to the question about staffing and I will e-mail the Mayor with the accurate number and then any other questions, I welcome them.

Council President Buckholtz liked Ms. Feldman's comment about partners in communication. It's something that we've been discussing and working on. One of the things would be to get these slides up on our website perhaps.

Ms. Feldman replied, sure.

Dr. Parker stated, one thing, it seems kind of vague to me at least from what I understand about electronics. Someone brought up the whole idea of where are things going electronically and I know there are a still a lot of people using books, but I would think it would be really important for them to really have a firm understanding, they do have a firm understanding, but from what I'm seeing with my children in school and what's happening, that they are not even, they are using notepads and accessing everything through a network including their books, including all their writings, they don't even use paper anymore and they are not even reading, they are reading fewer and fewer books and paper as well as at the college level, most of these students have the option to purchase their books electronically and I wouldn't be surprised if in the near future it's going to be very disadvantageous for them not to because of the cost associated with it, so I think it's upon us a lot quicker than maybe the library realizes in that we are like, if you have a sixth grader, you are only six years off when that sixth grader is using everything in a notepad today, a notebook. When they are graduating, they are out. I just throw that out because I am worried that maybe the need for it is actually diminishing as opposed to increasing. I may be totally wrong. It may be just an assumption or a feeling that I shouldn't base it on, but that's what I am seeing in the college level as well as in the school level that I am seeing.

Ms. Feldman replied, public libraries have not traditionally had textbooks as part of their collection, so we won't see the impact.

Dr. Parker stated, what I am saying is these kids are learning to only read in a computer environment. They are learning to write only on a computer. They are not writing their homework or doing any of it on paper.

Council President Buckholtz stated, not to belabor the point, I would like to say that a couple years ago, Ms. Feldman spoke at a Hillcrest Council of Council meeting and I remember distinctly reporting in great detail on that. There were several members of Council who attended that. The numbers are staggering. I am a tech guy. I work in technology. I am downloading books all the time. The numbers are staggering. It's like people are saying that kids will stop learning to do math if they use calculators and that slide rules will be gone. This woman makes her living as an expert at studying and doing market research. So I suggest that you follow this up, swap e-mails or get the information directly. The numbers are phenomenal. Libraries are not going away.

Dr. Parker stated, I am not saying they are. I am just saying I would like to know where that is.

Council President Buckholtz replied, she knows.

Ms. Feldman thanked everyone. I really appreciate the opportunity to talk with you and I look forward to continuing the conversation.

Council thanked Ms. Feldman.

Mr. Marquardt asked what the plan is for the two properties that are included in this proposal on Wilson Mills.

Mayor Rinker explained, again, the audience does not have the benefit of the memo that Council received, so it's kind of a rhetorical question. There are two properties that the library purchased that are immediately to the east of the easterly driveway. One house is directly opposite Miner Road and the other one is sandwiched between that house and the library property. Those properties are both rental properties and in the near term the Village would look to continue being the landlord basically for those properties.

About four years ago, though, as we understood as the library was looking to expand on that site and was looking at how it might do it, we had been incidentally approached by another builder, developer, on the next property to the east which is a long deep bowling alley property and he wanted to split it in half with two frontages on Wilson Mills. Under our Code, that's not appropriate because it would create two non-conforming lots. But in discussion with the Building Commissioner and looking at how the library was looking to expand, one idea that we initially discussed with the library board and with the schools was the potential for creating a new driveway that for a portion of its distance would be a dedicated street with the potential of creating at least three residential properties on the east side and potentially three on the west or depending on how the overall use would fill out, the thought being that they could be assessed directly, so if this person wanted to develop, this was at a time when the market was a much more healthier market for residential development. So we kind of thought this would be a way to underwrite what ultimately would be a traffic improvement similar to what we did at Raleigh and Beta. But that hasn't gotten anywhere. And as I say for the near-term, that's not a capital improvement project that we have on our books. It would be the kind of thing that we would study. We would revisit the different ways that it might reconfigure that intersection. But I think anyone who's been to the high school and looked at the traffic pattern in that area, the disconnect between the south side and the north side creates some traffic snarls that eventually would be in the Village's interest to change. But that's a capital project. We have not costed it out. We have no budget for it. So, right now, it's a very speculative goal. There's no immediate plan other than to rent the two properties.

Council President Buckholtz stated, just to highlight, the direct question is, because we spoke and I said, well it would be nice to line up the driveways and that was always the plan. That's not in the near future. It's not on our dime. It's not something that we are looking to do.

Mr. Marquardt stated, I am only asking because this is the first time we have heard of this whole proposal anyhow.

Mayor Rinker asked, which proposal?

Mr. Marquardt replied, the proposal that we're seeing here tonight.

Mayor Rinker replied, right.

Mr. Marquardt stated, that's why I am asking questions. To understand what's going on and what's really intended.

Mayor Rinker replied, that was laid out in the memo. That's why I say for the audience's benefit, they may not know, but I would think Council would.

Mr. Marquardt stated, I am trying to clarify in my own mind whatever was provided.

Council President Buckholtz stated, what I had mentioned to you was in the past when Issue II funds were available and there was more money coming down from the State. I remember Tom Cappello actually taught me this that when you had projects that involve multiple communities or multiple entities then they were looked on much more favorable in the scoring process. So I had said that not in the immediate future, but it would position us for a Highland Heights, Mayfield School, Mayfield Village project which --

Mayor Rinker added, and the County.

--assuming infrastructure monies would be available from higher up, it might put us in a better situation.

Mayor Rinker stated, for everyone's benefit, the Raleigh realignment was in fact in part funded by State Issue II monies that we got in conjunction with the County and NOACA supported that. We got \$250,000 for two parts of it. One is the work that's going on right now which is replacing the culvert across from D.O. Summers and then the other portion was the realignment of the roadway. Those were all tied in together. Any road project like that we would always be looking for outside funding. So that's why it's just not an immediate issue.

Mrs. Triner stated, we are missing out on most of what you are saying.

Mayor Rinker stated, we are having a problem with the batteries on the microphones so I am trying to speak up. What is it that you missed?

Mrs. Triner replied, we did not hear any of that.

To reiterate, Mayor Rinker stated, right now, there is not an aligned intersection between Highland Heights and Mayfield Village. In fact the whole history along Wilson Mills has been kind of goofy because a number of major intersections, Builder's Square used to have this problem, we ended up putting a light, where the Front Row Theater was. We never got the revenue. We had all the headache of managing the traffic. For those who may remember, back in the 70's into the early 80's, that was the first intersection that was realigned. The second one was at Alpha. Progressive's driveway used to be east of Alpha. That was a mess. Ultimately the realignment there improved the traffic flow even though there's a ton of cars coming in and out of that place now that hadn't been before. Similarly with Beta and Raleigh Drives we again had that staggered, that double light which was always a pain in the neck. So we were able to realign for the same purpose.

Up at the high school, and you can see it anectodally, people will pull out of that easterly driveway next to the library and they will wait while cars are backing up behind them just so they can cut across to make the left turn on to Miner and the cueing distance from Miner is not

particularly advantageous for that. So, during school hours, the rush hours in the morning and afternoon, that's always a difficulty. So it's kind of an impacted site issue.

One of the things that was looked at was if we were to realign, how would we do that? The thought came to us more because we saw that the library was looking either to expand in that site and would be relocating its driveway or would be relocating period and what to do with the properties in that location. As I explained, there was a builder next door who was looking. So we thought maybe we would kill a number of birds with one stone. When we realigned Raleigh, we applied for and obtained a chunk of money, about a quarter of a million dollars, toward the project. It had two parts to it, one is the realignment at the light and then the other is the culvert work.

Similarly for any road improvement project at that intersection we would be looking for that kind of funding mechanism and as Mr. Buckholtz was explaining, the rule of thumb generally has been the more players in an application, the more points you get, the more likelihood you are going to be scored favorably. Anything along Wilson Mills we have typically had the County involved with it and NOACA as sort of the coordinating agency is often supportive of that effort. We would look to share the cost with Highland Heights because there would be a benefit for Highland Heights as well. With the school involvement and whether the library had been there, that would have been another player. So we were trying to explore preliminarily what the feasibility would be. But we have never gotten as far as what the cost would be entailed or physically doing it. But that's the kind of thing that when we have these two properties which we see as really a secondary aspect of the library project we are looking at, that ultimately they may be of some benefit for creating an improved roadway network. Immediately, that's not on our radar screen.

Mrs. Triner thanked Mayor Rinker.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any more comments or questions on this subject. There were none. Council President Buckholtz stated, this should go to Finance for more discussion.

#### **IN COMMITTEE (STATUS)**

##### **. Safety and Service**

Mrs. Cinco reported that Safety and Service met this evening. Everything is on the agenda tonight.

#### **BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Mr. Marrelli reported that we are starting to final out the police station. We are working on the punchlist for the police station today. Stay tuned. It won't be much longer.

**MAYOR**

Talking about road improvements and the culvert work that's going on, Mayor Rinker stated that a lot of people have noticed our police department has provided mechanical control at really strategic points. We have gotten a lot of positive feedback. We were bracing, cringing, for how the traffic would be impacted. It hasn't been pretty, but the traffic has flowed through very well. Kudos to our police department!

**ADMINISTRATION**

- . **Replacement of I-Net Fiber connection at Civic Center  
(One Community - \$3,251)**
- . **Replacement of I-Net Fiber connection at Community Room  
(One Community - \$9,600)**
- . **Replacement of I-Net Fiber connection at Service Building  
(One Community - \$20,489)**

Ms. Calta reported that this came about as a result, about 10 years ago the Village entered into a cable franchise agreement with Cablevision which then became Adelphia which now is Time Warner. Back then, as part of that franchise agreement, the Village was given what we call an I-Net. Essentially, it's fiber that connects all of the public buildings. Right now the telephone and internet runs over those fibers. We used to have some of the fibers upstairs, similar to the fiber that was installed on Beta. I don't know if anyone ever saw that, but that's what I mean by fiber.

Council President Buckholtz stated, glass tubes.

Ms. Calta continued, in any event, as a result of State franchising, that agreement now is no longer in place. But the fiber is still in place. So, what Time Warner is doing is very slowly, and let me repeat, very slowly, approaching each of the communities that it has had agreements with and is discussing the cost for that fiber to be maintained and used where Time Warner would maintain the fiber and the municipality would be allowed to use that fiber.

We have been trying to talk with Time Warner. Diane has been graciously talking with them and talking with them and I think at times feels she is talking at them, for a number. We have heard from other communities like Cleveland Heights and Solon. Solon's actually the only agreement I have seen that's been entered into. They are paying, \$470.00 a connection a month and they have 7 connections or something like that. It's a significant amount of money that Solon is paying and we have asked Time Warner for that same information for the Village. They have not given it to us. It's been 6 months. We are getting close. We are told that they are getting close. We don't have that number. But what these numbers represent would be the installation of our own fiber to take the place of that fiber which we would then not need to pay Time Warner for.

These are the numbers that we've been given by OneCommunity for the installation of the fibers. They do differ somewhat, largely because of the location. If you think about Service, they've

got to come off of SOM and get back to the Service building whereas this building, for example, it would just be pulled off the pole so it's a much closer connection which is where you get the significant distinction between the prices. You're looking at \$3,200 versus over \$20,000.

What I wanted to do is just bring it to Council's attention. We really can't analyze the information without the information from Time Warner. We think we know where Time Warner's going to come in, but we don't know for sure, so we'd like to just have Council apprised of this information at this point in time and know that we should be getting the information from Time Warner shortly. Once we have that information, then all of the information can be presented to Council to make a decision on options available, whether to enter into an agreement with Time Warner for the fiber or install our own connections.

Mr. Marquardt asked, would there be any maintenance on these installations?

Ms. Calta replied, these are the costs for the installation. As far as maintenance, we already have an agreement with OneCommunity for internet and we have an agreement for telephone. It's a good question. I can't answer it yes or no, but I think it would be covered by those agreements.

Mayor Rinker stated, Diane had that discussion today.

Ms. Wolgamuth reported that she spoke to Rich Dugger from OneCommunity. He said that the maintenance fee that we pay per year now will not change if we do the new connections and add that many linear feet.

Mayor Rinker added, anecdotally, today, our system was down. Time is geologic or glacial for Time Warner. It's just consistent with the way things have gone. So we will provide an account for Council's benefit, but all I can tell you, they are just dismal, dismal, today in what they did and the way they handled it was abysmal.

Council President Buckholtz asked, is this just for the connection? We don't actually own the fiber?

Mayor Rinker replied, we would.

Ms. Calta stated, we did ask Time Warner if we could purchase their fiber. That would seem like a logical option. If the fiber's there, it's working, why not purchase it, why do we need to lease it? They are not interested in that arrangement.

Mayor Rinker stated, that they did not have trouble answering.

Council President Buckholtz stated we have known this was coming for a long, long time. Any questions? There were none.

Council President Buckholtz asked Ms. Calta to keep us posted as you get information.

## **FINANCE**

### **. Dental and Life Insurance Coverage**

Mr. Wynne reported that through a straw poll, Council has already approved the change in our insurance carrier from Guardian to Principal Financial effective September 1<sup>st</sup>. It is going to be an 18-month contract which will generate \$36,000 in savings over 18 months. Regarding that change in the carrier, the insurance company we are going to, based upon our insurance consultant, has a better provider network than we are currently coming off of. There will be no change in benefit levels to employees of the Village.

Also, on our \$3,400,000 Note, just wanted to let you know that closed last week at an interest rate of 1-1/8<sup>th</sup>. As a result of that interest rate, we will be realizing a savings of about \$13,0000 next year in interest expense.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any questions. There were none.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

- . Fiber connectivity hardware at the new police facility (B&C Communications – \$16,100)**
- . Moving services from the old facility to the new police facility (not to exceed \$10,000)**
- . Furniture for the new police facility (not to exceed \$15,000)**

Chief Dearden reported that all three items on the agenda are again items relating to the new facility. The fiber connectivity hardware that is necessary now to actually put into operation the equipment that we will be running through the fiber optic cable between the Fire Department and the new police facility is the first item. The second and third are just items that I prepared to stay ahead of the game and rather than bring these requests at short notice that Council would have the ability to at least know what we are looking at expenditure-wise for moving and furniture for the new facility. We have not specified specific vendors for those two items. We are still in discussions with several different companies on both, but this will afford us the opportunity to go ahead and contract with those vendors at the time to get final pricing rather than at that point then bringing it to Council.

The only request I would have is relative to the fiber connectivity hardware. If I could get a straw vote from Council tonight then the vendor will be able to order that equipment that would be necessary in order to speed up the process of moving forward with opening the new facility.

Council President Buckholtz asked, and you chose the vendor, how?

Chief Dearden replied, B&C is the current vendor that is doing all of the work relative to our 911 connectivity and also our radio communications system.

Council President Buckholtz asked, so they understand the whole system?

Chief Dearden replied, they do.

Council President Buckholtz replied, I have no problem with that.

There was no opposition by Council.

Council President Buckholtz stated, the only thing I would ask, then, the furniture, you will have a list or you are working off a list of specific items that you'll get to Finance when you know the vendor? You are putting it out to vendors. Say you know specifically.

Chief Dearden replied, there are some items that we know specifically we are going to be purchasing. There are other items that until we actually move down our current furniture and see where our needs are, then we would develop that. But again, all of these items and the cost for all of these items still is under the FF&E budget which was drafted at the beginning of this project.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any questions. There were none.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

### **• Annual Turn-Out Gear Replacement Program (Fire Safety Services - \$10,000)**

Lieutenant Shrefler reported that this is something we have tried to establish over the past few years. He is not sure if we were able to get our full complement of gear last year, but they run about \$2,500 a set. The NFPA standards change over time. We have people wearing turnout gear that's over 10 years old. It needs to be replaced as time goes on. We have had some changes in personnel so we need to order some new stuff anyway. We are going to replace the oldest first and get the two new guys gear. It's probably 4 sets, might be 5.

### **• Radio alerting between new dispatch center and fire station (B&C Communications - \$5,974.00)**

Lieutenant Shrefler reported that this is in conjunction with the police station. The existing communication we have in our building that alerts us to go on a call is all utilized as relays. They are all power-source activated. This new phone system is not very compatible with that. We need to put in equipment to make that work, but as you know, over the weekend we had problems with it already, so what we want to put in is a direct link from dispatch to the fire station, a private line that will do nothing but be a radio link. When she talks, it comes through speakers and we don't have to worry about a third party or any other source. This is B&C's plan. We had looked at some other systems that were as much as \$20,000. This is the simplest thing they could come up with and it's under \$6,000.

Council President Buckholtz stated, it's almost like an intercom system between the two buildings, direct communication.

Lieutenant Shrefler stated, right. It's going to be a little more than that because you can talk back without picking up a phone. It's going to give us tones. The tones are built into it, so we will know if it's an ambulance or fire call before she starts talking through it based on the tone that she presses. This will be a benefit at the same time, not having to stop and listen to what she has to say.

Council President Buckholtz stated, the above items will be sent to Finance.

Council President Buckholtz had one question about the spill on the highway. We were obviously involved in that?

Lieutenant Shrefler replied, yes, we were there. A tractor-trailer driver blacked out. He was in the regular lanes going northbound just before Mayfield. It was right at Marsol. He hit the bridge on the left-hand lane. He went through the guardrail and hit that bridge and then he went into the bridge for the center lanes. It straightened him back out again and put it down on to Marsol and then the truck ended up back on top. The trailer was carrying about 15 barrels of bridge rap that they are using to put on the pillars. He had a complete kit in there to do three bridges. Resin spilled down on the Marsol. They closed the bridges to have them inspected. The cleanup had to be done from the top and then they finished it down below. The gentleman was not killed. He was hurt pretty badly.

#### **SERVICE DEPARTMENT**

- . **Replacement of landscape retaining wall at the Timberline Pump Station (Anselmo's Landscape and Design - \$4,140.00 – cost will be reimbursed to Village from the Cuyahoga County Sanitary Engineer)**

Mr. Metzger reported that we have a landscape wall that is next to the Timberline Pump Station that is on County property, basically maintained by the property owner next door. It's made of 4x4 railroad tie kind of things. It's falling apart. They've asked for it to be replaced. The County has agreed to pay for the replacement. They just asked that we run it through the Village so that they work on a reimbursement program much as we do our sidewalk program. That's what this is for. We have it laid out. The County has agreed to the costs, the price. The resident has agreed to the materials. Everybody seems happy. We just need to build it.

#### **PARKS & RECREATION**

- . **Facility charge for Sports N More Camp (Mayfield City Schools - \$3,000)**

Mr. Thomas reported that last month at Caucus, I brought up the fact that we were invoiced from the schools \$3,000 for the use of the high school for Sports N More Camp. I wanted to look at the Sports N More budget to make sure that we can afford it. I need the approval to pay this.

Council President Buckholtz stated this item will be sent to Finance.

## **HUMAN SERVICES**

### **. Bid results - Senior Snow Removal**

Mrs. Kalina reported that we have received the bids for the snow removal program, three companies, two of whom we have used in the past successfully, and one is a new bidder. We are recommending that, it has gone to Safety and Service, I believe it's going to Finance. We already have almost 60 applicants for our snow removal program. The letter went out the 31<sup>st</sup> of August. I think that's pretty good.

Mrs. Cinco asked, based on last year, who are you recommending?

Mrs. Kalina replied, we have only three bidders. We have A&G, Summerbreeze, who have served us in the past, and then Ameriscape which is a new company. We are suggesting they be given the smallest portion since it's an unknown company. Hopefully they'll work out well. The bulk of it will go to A&G and Summerbreeze. That's what we would like to recommend.

Mrs. Cinco asked, how many sections – you won't know until you get everybody in?

Mrs. Kalina replied, no.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any other questions. There were none.

## **ENGINEER**

Mr. Cappello reported that as everyone can see, half of the Wilson Mills Road culvert has been installed. They plan on switching traffic this week to the other side and start demo'ing the south side. Also, the chip seal program was partially completed today. All of the chip seal is down on the Worton Park area, the Joyce/Hemingway area and Beech Hill, a layer of fog sealant, which is another sealer that will actually tie all the chips together, very similar to what we did two years ago. It works real well. Also, the asphalt street rejuvenation was done on the Hickory Hill area, Metro Park and Highland Road last week.

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any questions. There were none.

## **ARCHITECT**

Updating on the solar panel install timeline for the police station, Mr. Dinardo reported that Jemm Properties and the Dovetail group will be submitting to the State next week. They anticipate the install to be about the end of October/beginning of November for the actual panels.

**LAW DIRECTOR**

**Legislation amending Development Agreement with Progressive Casualty Insurance Company**

Ms. Calta reported that in Council's packets everyone should have received information about a request from Progressive for an amendment to the Development Agreement affecting the terms of and conditions on the membership at the Fitness Center. I included a lot of information, so I don't know if there are any questions or anyone needs a review. Essentially they have an HR policy regarding former employees no longer being allowed to access their facilities. They wanted to keep that HR policy consistent with the use by Village residents. So in the rare instance that you may be a former employee of Progressive and also a Village resident, that membership application would not be approved by Progressive.

Mr. Marquardt asked how many it impacts now.

Ms. Calta replied, I talked with their counsel and there were two instances recently, but other than those two instances recently, over the last 10-15 years, there are no other instances that she mentioned. It should be very clear.

Mr. Marquardt asked, is there any time limit to it? Someone who has been gone for "x" number of years?

Ms. Calta replied, we talked about that, but they are very intent on their HR policy. There were no time limits that they recommended that they would feel comfortable with.

Dr. Parker replied, it seems like a reasonable request to me, really.

Mr. Marrie agreed.

Mr. Marquardt stated, I think a time limit would be a reasonable thing. It seems ridiculous to ban somebody for life.

Ms. Calta replied, in between this meeting and the regular Council meeting, I will certainly ask again and let her, her name's Kerry Zimmerman, know your request and see if she'll reconsider it.

Council President Buckholtz thanked Ms. Calta for the report.

**ANY OTHER MATTER BEFORE COUNCIL**

Council President Buckholtz asked if there were any additional matters before Council.

Mrs. Triner stated, we really look forward to meeting, the Town Hall meeting. We all just need to have a better system, because we're just not getting a lot of what you're saying, so I hope for

the Town Hall we will be able to hear. The Committee that's being referred to to handle the library, what Committee would that be?

Ms. Calta replied, Finance Committee.

Mrs. Triner asked, Finance Committee, are those meetings open if people are interested?

Ms. Calta replied, yes.

Mrs. Cinco added, all meetings are open.

Mrs. Triner replied, right. Thanks. I just was passing along somebody else's request. I think the question came up about the map that is in your closet, Mayor Rinker that showed the 2020 Plan.

Mayor Rinker asked, the display, the rendering?

Mrs. Triner replied, yes. Is that something's that going to be shown at the Town Hall. It seemed like there was interest in it?

Mayor Rinker replied, sure.

Mrs. Triner stated, I think that would be great to have it again.

Mayor Rinker replied, yes. We will bring it back for a cameo.

Mrs. Triner stated, that would be great. Thanks.

Mayor Rinker stated we can bring that out. We had a lot of discussion at the time, but it's been several years since we've talked about it. We can revisit that.

Mr. Marotte asked, that's basically the plan that City Architecture provided?

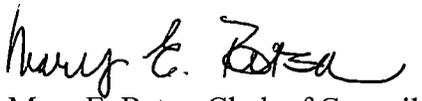
Mayor Rinker replied, right. They provided a rendering to show potentials, possibilities.

Mrs. Mills reminded everyone that the ice cream social is tomorrow from 6:30 to 8:00 at Wiley Park. Come and enjoy ice cream and homemade cookies.

Council President Buckholtz thanked everyone for attending. Have a good night.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mary E. Betsa, Clerk of Council