

Appendix L – December 2017

Shirley, Lori

From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Friday, December 1, 2017 12:58 PM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120

Importance: High

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From: "Shirley, Lori" <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Date: December 1, 2017 12:07:48 PM EST
To: "Sheryl Katzman (admin@justus.group)" <admin@justus.group>
Subject: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120

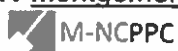
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From: Shirley, Lori
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Subject: RE: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120

Sheryl,

Please give Area 2 staff time to meet to discuss the next steps and how the two week deferral will be addressed in this window of time. I believe part of the equation on the site plan going back to the Board is connected to the regulatory review period associated with site plans (120 day review clock). Carol Rubin may pipe into the conversation in the Department on that regulatory point.

As for your question about a possible role for you in the deferral status and moving the site plan forward, I can't answer that one. The motion maker did not specify any such role for Leisure World residents or did am I wrong in that, there was mention of a role in Commissioner Fani-Gonzalez's motion? I will be in touch with you early next week after the Area 2 review team meets to discuss the approach to work within the deferral time frame. Thank you.

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From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 10:52 AM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Residents Signed Up to Testify Tomorrow on Leisure World

Hi Lori:

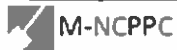
please email a copy of this from Janet Bradley, Bedford Court letter to me:

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From: Shirley, Lori
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2017 2:03 PM
To: Garcia, Joyce <joyce.garcia@mncppc-mc.org>
Cc: Sanders, Carrie <carrie.sanders@montgomeryplanning.org>; Rubin, Carol <carol.rubin@mncppc.org>; Afzal, Khalid <khalid.afzal@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: FW: Site plan #820170120

Joyce,
This e-mail with letter attachment was received a short while ago. Please include it in the packets to the Planning Board. Thanks.

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From: Bedford Court.ED (Bradley, Janet S) [<mailto:BedfordCourt.ED@sunriseseniorliving.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2017 1:33 PM
To: Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Cc: kevin@lwmc.com
Subject: Site plan #820170120

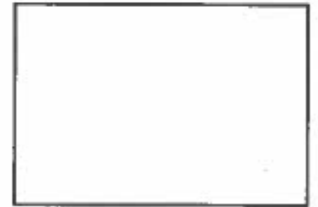
Hello Ms. Shirley
Please see attached letter of support for Site Plan # 820170120 to be considered for your planning meeting.
Janet

Janet Bradley | Executive Director

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From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 12:06 PM
To: mncpcc@justus.group
Cc: justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group
Subject: Edie Rosen and Elaine Hurley re: Admin. Bldg

[leisureworldmd] W/those against present Admin. Bldg. plans...

Saturday, December 2, 2017 11:11 AM

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From:

"Edie Vivien Rosen evgrosen@yahoo.com [leisureworldmd]"
<leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>

To:

"Voices of LW MD" <leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>

How do I SANELY join in with those of you who know the new Admin. Bldg., as proposed, is a detriment to the wallets and the total environment of those of us living here?

I have lived here 3 yrs. now - and have found dipping my toes into the political environment to be pretty toxic, but this is an issue worth fighting against, until a more pragmatic, cost-effective, and environmentally-friendly plan can be drawn up.

Thanks to everyone for all the information - glad the county showed some common sense - I'd like suggestions on how to proceed with same.

Had to chuckle-snort - equating the bones thrown to us natives re the chandelier and lawn bowling with the many MILLIONS it would take to complete this project and without considering the present economic climate (latest messed up tax bill, anyone? GAH)! Plus we KNOW it will be more than 7M, or the many different, conflicting figures I've seen carelessly thrown around.

**Edie Rosen, Montgomery Mutual
Yours Also For One Resident-Owner, One Vote**

Re: getting facts right

Saturday, December 2, 2017 8:37 AM

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[]**From:****"Jim Hurley"** <ew.hurley1190@bellsouth.net>**To:****"Barbara Braswell"** <bjbraswell@comcast.net>"Paul Eisenhaur"
<p_eisenhaur@comcast.net>"board@lwmc.com" <board@lwmc.com>**Cc:****"mfreeman@lwmc.com"** <mfreeman@lwmc.com>"leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com"
<leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>

There is an old saying, "hindsight is 20/20". We have a unique opportunity to adjust our current course. What may have seemed a valid plan to members three years ago is steadfastly revealing its inherent flaws on economic and environmental levels. A groundswell of resident numbers have researched and educated themselves on the subject and are vocal in their opposition to the insistent stance of "full steam ahead".

For a board member to suggest that a community must accept a questionable circumstance because they were deemed to have been insufficiently involved at the outset is dismissive and arrogant. One of the chief decision makers, now deceased, who encouraged the adoption of the option to build new, recognized that his judgement erred.

Though determined to convince the board that forward motion must halt, he was sadly unable to see that conviction through.

A second framer of the original plan has also expressed his reasons for reversing his position on two occasions.

Why must this very small group of voters remain so intransigent?

The County planning board has displayed a wisdom not often seen in local government. They have given us a chance to amend and seek dialogue anew with each of those who will be affected for a lifetime by what we now do.

I suggest we take advantage of that.

Kind Regards
Elaine Hurley
M7

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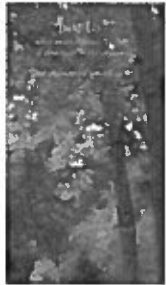
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From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 12:43 PM
To: LW Board of Directors; LW Exec. Committee
Cc: mncppc@justus.group; justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group; press and tv mediaf; Town Hall organizing committee; Maureen Freeman; LW News Committee; Montgomery County Council; Timothy Maloney
Subject: Leisure World site plan deferral by Mont. Planning Board - LW resident referendum required

To:

David Frager, Chair, Leisure World Community Corporation
Leisure World Community Corporation Executive Committee

In deferring action on the administration building site plan # 820170120, the Planning Board publicly acknowledged that the residents of LW had not been adequately involved in the decision to construct a new building. Therefore, it behooves the Chairman of the LW BOD, David Frager, to call the Board into a special session to address the Planning Board's concerns.

We recommend this can be easily accomplished by holding a community wide referendum, as has been previously requested with the petition containing over 1900 Leisure World resident signatures. * As presented to the Md. Planning Board - electronic files of these signatures are available:

Subject: FW: # 820170120---Leisure World --Voice of the People: petitions
From: Joyce Garcia <joyce.garcia@mncppc-mc.org>
Date: November 29, 2017 3:17:29 PM EST
To: admin@justus.group
Cc: Lori Shirley <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>

I am confirming receipt of your email and attached petition for distribution to the Planning Board and staff for tomorrow's hearing. We initially had a problem with printing the petition, but the problem has been resolved and we will also distribute printed copies to the Board.

Thank you.

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Should this recommendation not be successfully implemented in a timely manner, the LW BOD should ask that the site plan application be withdrawn.

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From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 2:08 PM
To: mncpcc@justus.group; justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group
Subject: more opposition to LW site plan - ray elton/paulessel

Re: [leisureworldmd] W/those against present Admin. Bldg. plans...

Saturday, December 2, 2017 11:49 AM

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From:

"Ray Elton ray.elton@aol.com [leisureworldmd]" <leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>

To:

leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com

How about an update on the Admin. Bldg. plan? Is it to relocate it anew to the bottom of the parking lot. If so, who cares, except for the M\$ cost and the environmental impact? We can always move those functions into a "quonset hut" somewhere remote and out-of-sight. I have only used it once or twice since moving here six years ago and found it full of filing cabinets of old records that could be digitized and stored in a "cloud", if overcrowding is the problem. And, what happens to the present out-of-date building? It would cost a bundle to tear down and pave over if that is the plan. At least we would have better access to CH-I so folks don't have to park along LW Blvd to enter on level ground. Let's keep the dialogue going.

Ray Elton, M-25

Re: [leisureworldmd] W/those against present Admin. Bldg. plans...

Saturday, December 2, 2017 11:48 AM

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From:

"Paul M Bessel besselpaulm@comcast.net [leisureworldmd]"

<leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>

To:

leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com

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Edie,

Well said!

Appendix L

In my opinion, the best thing you, and all of us LW residents, can do now is call you rep on the LW Board and inform him, her, or them that the MoCo Planning Board delayed action on the LW plan for a new Admin Bldg because they want the LW Board to talk with the LW residents.

They said they did this specifically because they want the LW Board members to get together with the LW residents to talk about this plan. The Planning Board members said they think the best outcome would be a compromise.

There is no problem with schedule meetings between Board members and LW residents. LW already said they will have to wait at least 4 months to make the changes the Planning Board already requested. That's plenty of time to schedule several meetings to reach a compromise. Neither side should get everything it wants. That's what compromise means.

It is not too late for the LW Board members to schedule several meetings where they talk, really talk and listen, with the residents and the residents present their ideas in a polite manner (those who are not polite should be cut off) and discuss with the Board members what compromises are possible, just as the Planning Board suggested. There have to be reasonable compromises between (a) leaving the current Admin Bldg as it is and (b) tearing it down and building a new one. That's what the Planning Board said they want LW to do.

Paul M. Bessel
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To: mncpcc@justus.group; LW Board of Directors; LW Exec. Committee; justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group
Cc: press and tv media f
Subject: "I take exception. . . ."

From: "Norman Holly" <amtak518@gmail.com>
Date: December 2, 2017 2:17:21 PM EST
To: "Paul Eisenhaur" <p_eisenhaur@comcast.net>
Cc: <admin@justus.group>
Subject: "I take exception. . . ."

If LW residents were asked their thoughts or allowed input, how do you account for that fact that so many residents that now oppose it claim to have been blindsided or unaware of what was contemplated? It seems to me that the collaborative process failed. (In fact, I have attended meetings of the BOD where those enquiring or in opposition were ignored or shouted down.)

Norman Holly
amtak518@gmail.com

From: "admin@justus.group" <admin@justus.group>
Date: December 2, 2017 12:02:53 PM EST
To: mncpcc@justus.group justus organization <justus@justus.group>, LW Green <lwggreen@justus.group>, lwdogs@justus.group
Cc: LW BOD <board@lwmc.com>
Subject: Paul Eisenhaur "I take exception to the accusation that LW residents were not asked their thoughts or allowed input." - reply from Barbara Braswell and CNN iReport- LW-Locked & Loaded

getting facts right

Friday, December 1, 2017 8:47 PM

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From:

"Paul Eisenhaur" <p_eisenhaur@comcast.net>

To:

board@lwmc.com

Cc:

mfreeman@lwmc.com

Hi - I have no intention of using this venue to give an opinion. That is not the intent of having a group email to the BOD.

However, there is a lot of discussion going around regarding the Admin Bldg. I understand that. But one allegation of the BOD is being presented as fact when it is not. I feel BOD members should be made aware of the actuality as this process has been going on for years and may not be totally familiar to newer members. And for the rest of us, five years is plenty of time to forget certain things.

I take exception to the accusation that LW residents were not asked their thoughts or allowed input. This entire project concept was conceived in 2012. Between open advisory committee meetings to our residents along with a publicized community forum solely to discuss and get input on this subject (see attached showing two front page editions of the LWNews with the announcement of an impending community forum on Nov 18, 2014 that I attended).

In addition, there were two early discussions that totally sided with the residents on their feelings were overwhelmingly made known to the BOD. There were discussions of eliminating lawn bowling, and reconstituting the Crystal Ballroom's chandelier into smaller pieces around the room. Community sentiment was very opposed to messing with either. Result: the BOD reacted to the community's sentiment and stopped any conversations to make a change.... Importantly, the residents were obviously informed and listened to.

Soon after that 2014 forum the concept phase completed with ideas and input. Then the project phase began and consensus decisions had to be made. This too was when Nicole Gerke was hired to manage and execute the plan.

In any construction project lifecycle, public input should always be done before any serious financial efforts are made. And it was done here. So any discussion that infers no input was asked is simply not correct.

Paul Eisenhaur / m10 BOD Rep

Re: getting facts right

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From:

"Barbara Braswell" <bjbraswell@comcast.net>

To:

"Paul Eisenhaur" <p_eisenhaur@comcast.net> board@lwmc.com

Cc:

Good evening, Paul. I would like to add a few details.

Wasn't that the meeting where residents were allowed to ask questions but were prohibited from making comments? Why? That made no sense to me at the time or since.

Also, I believe it was in January or February 2015, the Board decided that residents could send in written comments about the FEP and would advertise that fact in the LW News. The then editor was new and presumably not familiar with the import of the FEP. In those days, the then Chair of the LW News Committee wrote the Board meeting summaries and I reviewed them. We both felt strongly that the opportunity for comments was "so hot it was radioactive" and deserved to be advertised prominently on Page 1, above the fold. We explained, begged, pleaded, and cajoled the editor, but she insisted on burying the item on Page 2. Why? One of LW's most active activists conceded that he had not noticed the item.

So, even though there were a couple of opportunities over 5 years' time, they both seemed to have "missed the mark" for one reason or another.

Thank you for listening, Barbara B.

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Leisure World of Maryland - Locked and Loaded

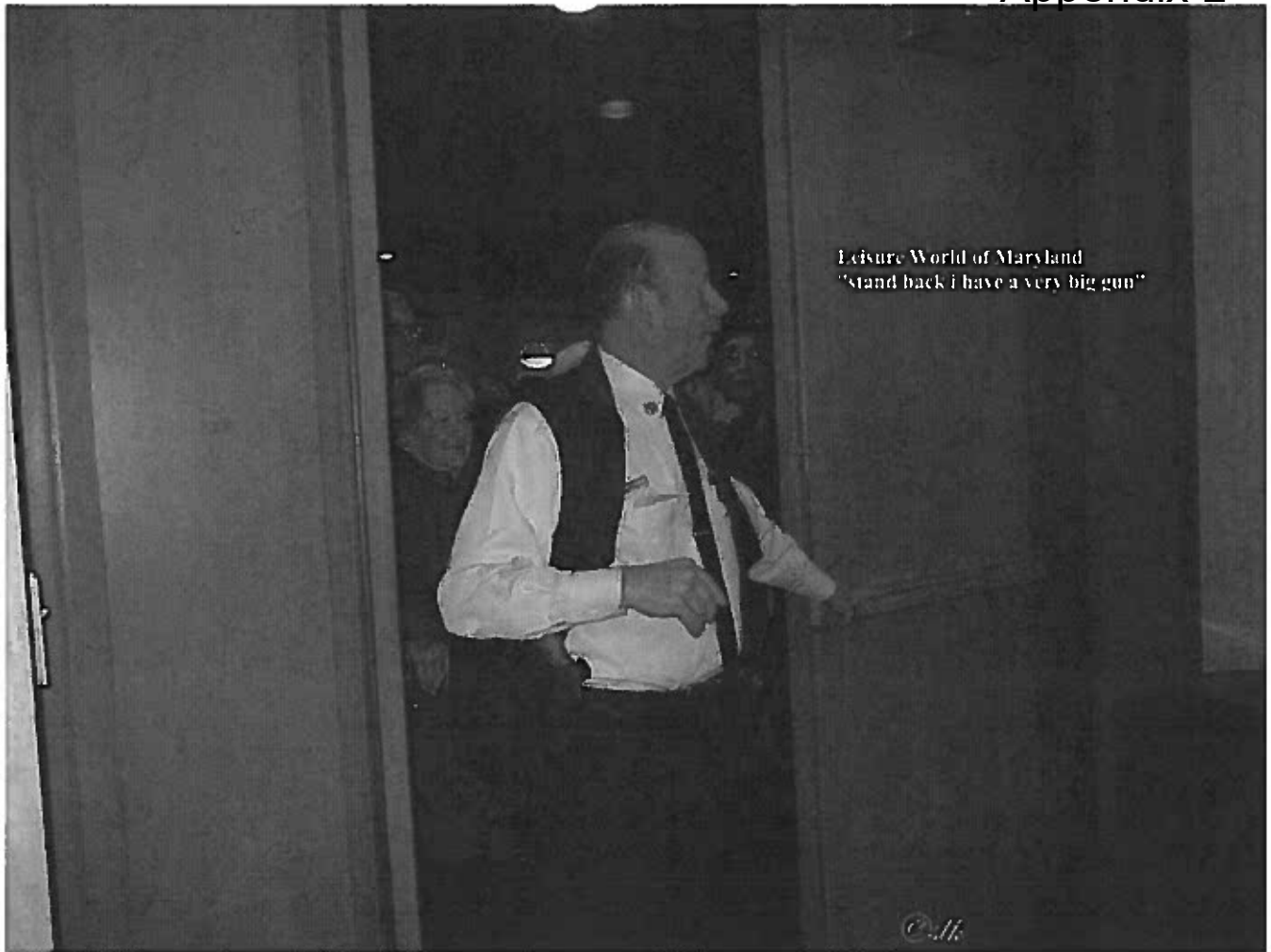
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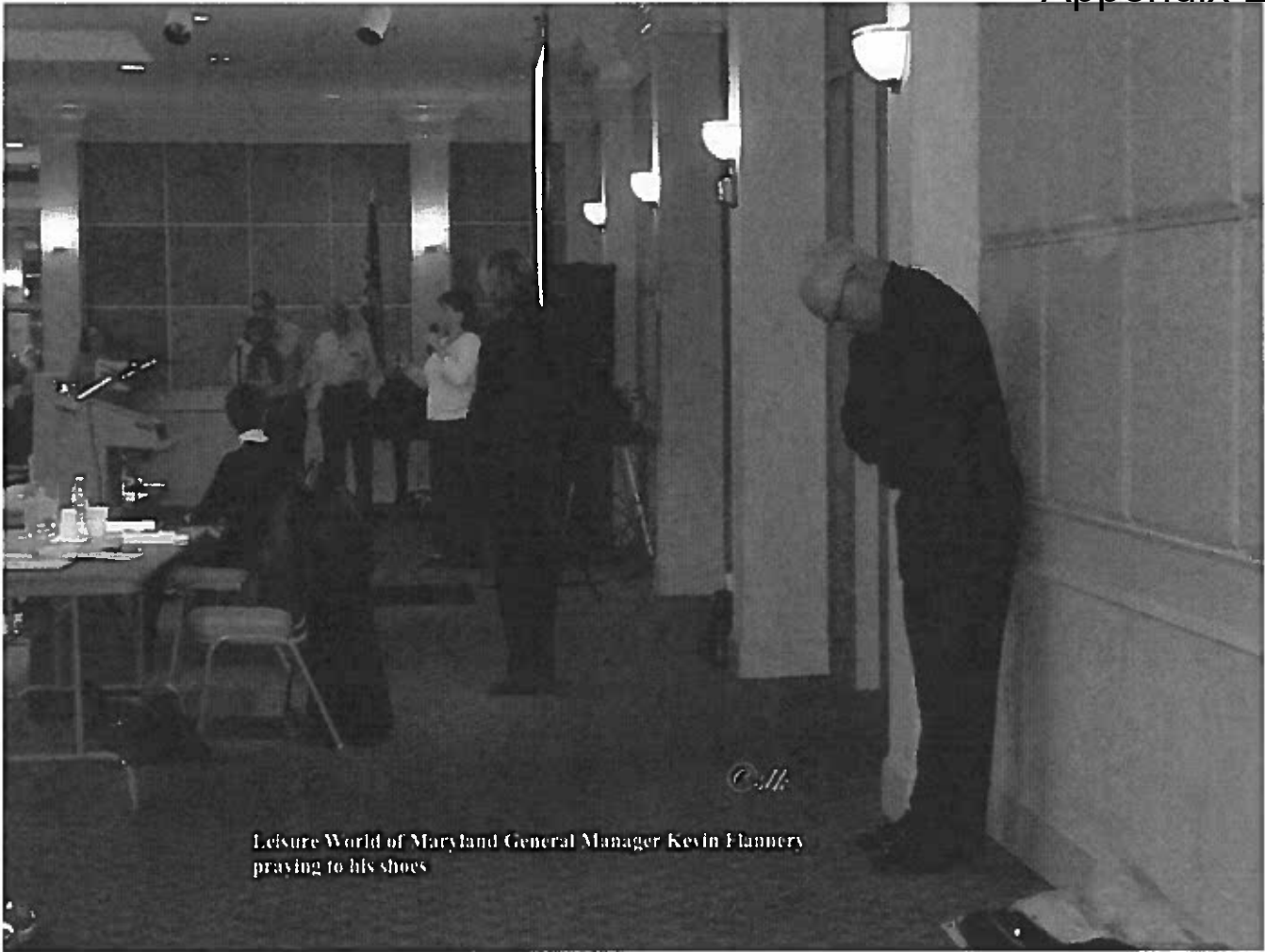
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similar resident community
that's some big gun you have there fellow

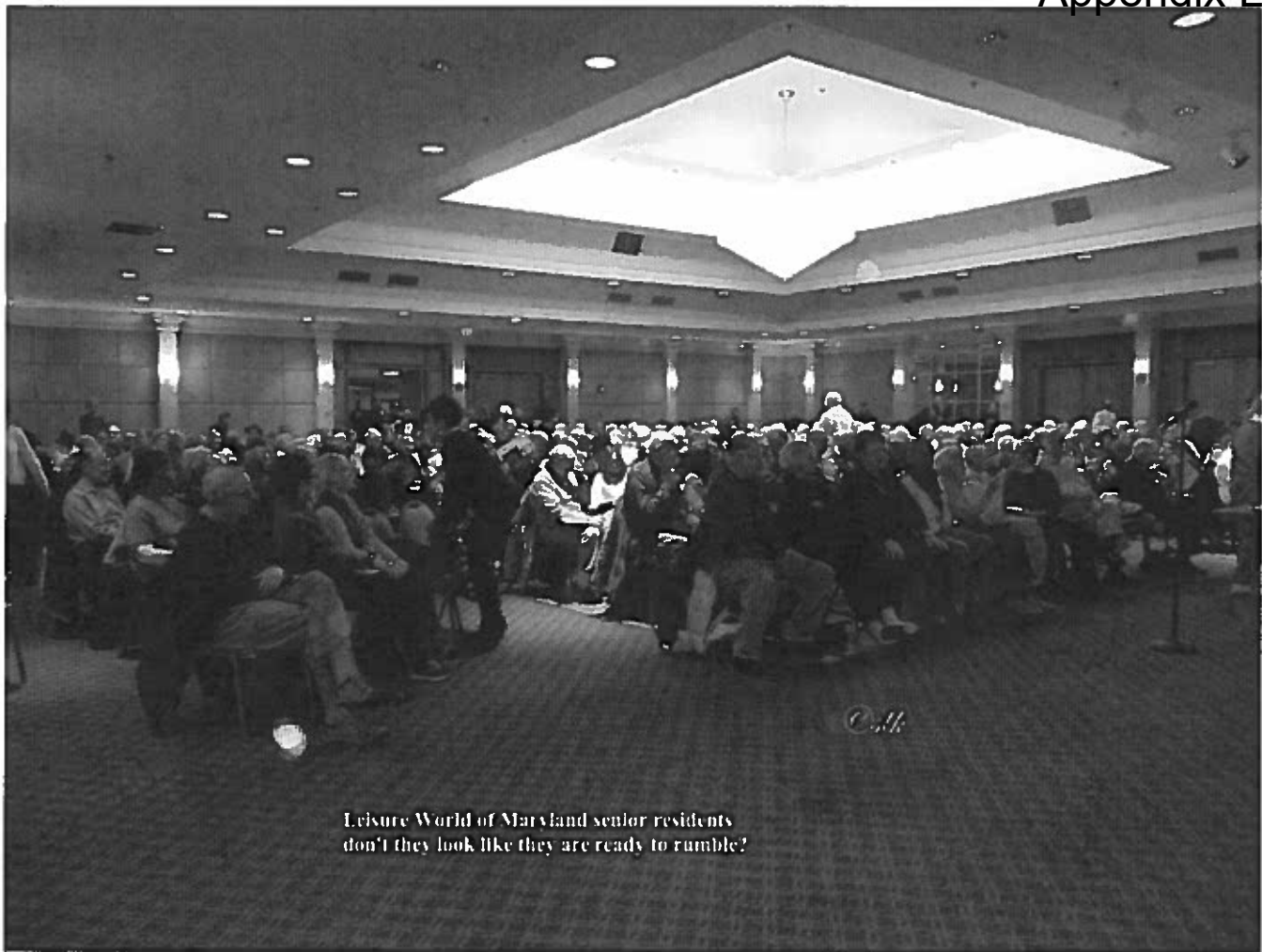






Leisure World of Maryland General Manager Kevin Flannery
praying to his shoes





Leisure World of Maryland senior residents
don't they look like they are ready to rumble?



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Flags are at half-staff in respect for the 5 unarmed military recruiters killed because they could not carry sidearms to protect themselves or others.

LEISURE WORLD OF MARYLAND is a senior resident community, where ARMED SECURITY employees are LOCKED AND LOADED .

The pictures atop this report, speak louder than words.

On November 14, 2014, 300 of the 8500 Leisure World senior resident population were "allowed to enter the "informational" (i.e. propaganda) meeting by Leisure World management. In contradiction to a resident petition and overwhelming opinion against their plan to expend resident funds exceeding \$10 MILLION DOLLARS, management attempted to lull residents into submission. They intend to spend over \$5.2 MILLION to construct a new administration building in which Leisure World of Maryland General Manager Kevin Flannery (seen in the photo praying to his shoes) and his staff will be seated.

Maintaining his reign as Leisure World czar, this less than cordial but exceedingly well paid employee, instructed the presence of Leisure World ARMED security personnel. Perhaps he feared the senior residents would riot and display their outrage with their walkers and canes.

Tragically 5 military personnel were killed because they were not allowed to be armed while Leisure World of Maryland places armed security to intimidate senior citizens.

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Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 3:55 PM
To: mncpcc@justus.group; justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group; LW Board of Directors
Cc: press and tv media f
Subject: LW corruption, waste, fraud and abuse

From: Anne Marie Martinez <annemariechuck@gmail.com>
Date: December 2, 2017 3:49:03 PM EST
To: JustUs admin <admin@justus.group>
Cc: justus organization <justus@justus.group>, LW Green <lwgreen@justus.group>, lwdogs@justus.group
Subject: Re: 12-1-17 "Thoughts & Opinions" - Henry Jordan

I believe an independent audit should be done of all of the "line items" of LW BUDGETS, including all Mutuals, all departments, all of the employees who have buying authority, including every salary, and all of the perks!!!!!!!!!!

Its OUR MONEY. they spend -- NOT THEIR MONEY!

We see corruption, waste, fraud and abuse every where, from the top levels of government, down to the local level. Including such groups as Peta's, and other membership organizations. The corruption is the private sector is much worse, because as the LW Powers that be - say "we are private, etc....." or the Board makes ALL decisions. Well, our outrageous dues that we are forced to pay for the salaries, perks, etc....construction costs, maintenance costs, with no bidding process, just a "friend" or relative of a staff member, .Administrative Costs, etc..for the big spenders, that are not members of a Mutual, or a homeowner - should not be the sole authority. The resident home owners, the thousands who pay dues, should e the authority, or at least not have to put up with dictatorial staff and Board Members, They are always harping on residents and had bad they are to speak up...well - "you get what you put out". We should not stand for it.

What if we put all of our dues into an Escrow Fund - until these crooks leave?

Anne Marie Martinez
Mutual 14

On Sat, Dec 2, 2017 at 9:17 AM, admin@justus.group <admin@justus.group> wrote:

From: Karin Sophie LW <ktvkarin@gmail.com>
Date: December 1, 2017 9:17:20 PM EST
To: admin@justus.group
Cc: LW Green <lwgreen@justus.group>, justus organization <justus@justus.group>
Subject: Re: 12-1-17 "Thoughts & Opinions" - Henry Jordan

I wonder how many bids they got.
One, would be my guess.

I wonder how much was spent of
LW RESIDENT'S money on attorneys to 'discover" their liability
and to fight/convince their need
of the admin building. A lot would be my guess.
Using our \$\$\$ to cover individuals
butts doesn't seem appropriate.
It isn't a slush fund for oops!!

IMHO
Karin V

On Dec 1, 2017 11:05 AM, "admin@justus.group" <admin@justus.group> wrote:

THOUGHTS & OPINIONS: *From Our*

Should LW Do an Invasive Study of the Existing Administration Building?

The Leisure World News article "Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Improvements: Frequently Asked Questions" (Nov. 17 edition, page 4) touched on this topic, but, in my opinion, did not delve into sufficient detail. However, the Feb. 2017 Leisure World Community Corporation (LWCC) board of directors packet included a report entitled "Administration Building – Invasive Study" that provided much more information. It provided the scope of work required for a full Administration Building assessment, a schedule, and outlined the problems known in the Administration Building and other factors.

For example, the cost of an

\$150,000, including \$6,000 just to prepare the bid package. The entire project is estimated to take approximately nine months before the final report is submitted to the board.

The report also listed ten applicable State and County codes and addendums that would need to be investigated to bring the 50-year-old building into compliance with current standards. I believe that ongoing repairs and modifications to the Administration Building over time have already indicated deficiencies in these areas, such as removing asbestos, the need to provide upgraded and new mechanical systems, replacement of obsolete electrical systems, compliance with safety/fire code requirements (addition of sprinklers and fire alarm systems), plumbing system upgrades, and compliance with Montgomery County's new "Green Construction Code." This may mean a change to the

Additionally, the report noted that nearly \$100,000 had to be spent in required, previously unknown infrastructure repairs during the recent upgrading/rehabilitation of Clubhouse I. A list of the items was also included, and it was noted that Clubhouse I had been previously upgraded/rehabilitated in 1995/6. Because Clubhouse I was built at about the same time as the Administration Building, it's reasonable to believe that similar problems would exist.

There are also costs of delaying the construction of a new building. The report stated that approximately \$550,000 in maintenance and replacement reserve costs could potentially be saved on the existing building if the planned new building continues on schedule. Moreover, the report estimated that a delay in the schedule of the new building could possibly increase the construction costs by four percent to five percent a year.

During discussions at the LWCC board meeting, a point was made that, with an invasive study you "open things up." When things are sealed, certain adverse situations are not harmful. When opening a ceiling or wall in a 50-year-old building, we may find problems that must be fixed immediately – which could have consequences that must be immediately rectified, like staff relocation, disruption of administrative services, and unscheduled costs.

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Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 7:32 PM

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ew.hurley1190@bellsouth.net [leisureworldmd] <leisureworldmd@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 2:55 PM
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Subject: Re: [leisureworldmd] W/those against present Admin. Bldg. plans...

I would like to add a thought to Paul 's good advice. Please consider the fact that every board member is called upon to make the best decision in matters for the trust, which means each member holds a fiduciary responsibility to each and every owner in LW. Include the entire body when you communicate your opinion by writing to board@lwmc.com

Elaine Hurley
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Posted by: Janice McLean <janicewmclean@gmail.com>

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Shirley, Lori

From: Sharon Campbell <scampbell.lw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2017 10:45 AM
To: Shirley, Lori
Cc: Sharon Campbell
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To: Sharon Campbell
Cc: Sheryl Katzman (admin@justus.group)
Subject: FW: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120 - next meeting

Importance: High

Hi Sharon,

I'm responding to your e-mail from earlier this morning (10:45 a.m.) that is at the end of this series of e-mails (please scroll down). I've copied several e-mails back and forth between Sheryl Katzman and me, and these are below (written this past Friday morning when I was working from home). I want you to be able to see the full exchange of e-mails between Sheryl and myself, because in what Sheryl copied from one of my e-mails was not the complete response, and her e-mails to me were missing from the exchange.

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Please be patient and know that I will be in touch after Department staff have had time to discuss the next steps. Thank you.

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Subject: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120
Importance: High

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slk

From: "Shirley, Lori" <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Date: December 1, 2017 12:07:48 PM EST
To: "Sheryl Katzman (admin@justus.group)" <admin@justus.group>
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Sent: Monday, December 4, 2017 3:13 PM
To: Shirley, Lori
Cc: Afzal, Khalid
Subject: FW: [leisureworldmd] Suggestion to change the proposed new Admin Bldg to a new Clubhouse 3 for the benefit of LW residents

Forwarding this exchange to you for the record.

Joyce

From: Paul M Bessel [mailto:besselpaulm@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, December 04, 2017 2:50 PM
To: leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com
Cc: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org>; board@lwmc.com; admin@justus.group; justus@justus.group
Subject: Re: [leisureworldmd] Suggestion to change the proposed new Admin Bldg to a new Clubhouse 3 for the benefit of LW residents

I just raised the idea. The details would have to be worked out.

I'm just trying to start the dialogue and compromise the Planning Board members asked the LW Board and LW residents to start. I haven't heard a thing from anyone on the LW Board.

Paul M. Bessel
Mutual 13

On 12/4/2017 12:11 PM, Ray Elton ray.elton@aol.com [leisureworldmd] wrote:

Good suggestion, Paul. But what about the ballroom, often serve by the restaurant?

Still, it's the best idea so far, it seems.

Ray Elton, M-25

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul M Bessel besselpaulm@comcast.net [leisureworldmd] <leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>
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Cc: MCP-Chair <MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org>; board <board@lwmc.com>; mr.longpants <admin@justus.group>; justus organization <justus@justus.group>

Sent: Mon, Dec 4, 2017 11:43 am

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I am suggested that the new Admin Bldg instead be a new Clubhouse 3, with a minimum of 3 entrances, one at the top of the hill, one at the bottom, and one in the middle, all with no steps whatsoever. That will insure that all LW residents, including those with mobility problems will be able to enter Clubhouse 3 easily.

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In addition I am deeply concerned about his statements that there are LW residents who oppose giving mobility impaired residents easier access to Clubhouse I. At the hearing there was NO mention of limiting access to that building or to any other building in LW.

Janice McLean
Mutual 17A

----- Forwarded message -----

From: admin@justus.group <admin@justus.group>

Date: Mon, Dec 4, 2017 at 10:02 AM

Subject: "identify any instance or individual who has ever said they are ""against giving mobility impaired residents easier access to Clubhouse I," as cited by Mr. David Polinsky."

To: justus organization <justus@justus.group>, LW Green <lwgreen@justus.group>, lwdogs@justus.group, mncpcc@justus.group

Cc: david polinsky <dap1049@hotmail.com>

Continuing to display an obvious problem with reality - the following statement was transcribed directly from David Polinsky's own spoken/recorded words can be heard @ http://mncppc.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=7&clip_id=1753 (at the bottom of the left portion of the screen -move the blue slider to 3:59 or 4:00

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Furthermore, Polinsky continues to mutely slither away from his false statement claiming any instance or individual who has ever said they are against giving mobility impaired residents easier access to Clubhouse 1.

slk

From: David Polinsky <dap1049@hotmail.com>
Date: December 4, 2017 9:36:05 AM EST
To: "admin@justus.group" <admin@justus.group>, "leisureworldmd@yahoo.com" <leisureworldmd@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: "identify any instance or individual who has ever said they are ""against giving mobility impaired residents easier access to Clubhouse I," as cited by Mr. David Polinsky."

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David Polinsky

From: admin@justus.group <admin@justus.group>
Sent: Monday, December 4, 2017 9:26 AM
To: David Polinsky
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and you lied again

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Stop using my name until you publicly apologize for lying about me.

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From: admin@justus.group <admin@justus.group>
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From: david polinsky <dap1049@hotmail.com>

Date: December 4, 2017 8:26:03 AM EST

To: admin@justus.group, justus organization <justus@justus.group>, LW Green <lwgreen@justus.group>, lwdogs@justus.group

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The sender of this email is requested to not use my name in any fashion or manner until such time as an public apology is issued for lying about me in an e-mail to Councilmember Leventhal.

David Polinsky

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[leisureworldmd] Re: mobility access (was "fiduciary responsibility")

Sunday, December 3, 2017 1:43 PM

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From:

"Janice McLean janicewmclean@gmail.com [leisureworldmd]"
<leisureworldmd@yahoogroups.com>

To:

"Leisure World Yahoo Group"
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There is a vast and very unfortunate falsehood about the views of LW residents regarding mobility access to

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That is the farthest thing from their minds!

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Then we could address their concerns openly and honestly.

As a LW resident who attended and testified at the Planning Board hearing on November 30, I can assure everyone that there was NO mention of limiting access to Clubhouse I or for any building in Leisure World.

Read the following emails, starting at the end, of course. Keep up with this fast moving dialogue.

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From: "admin@justus.group" <admin@justus.group>
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To: LW Board of Directors <board@lwmc.com>, "LW Exec. Committee" <excomm@lwmc.com>, justus organization <justus@justus.group>, LW Green <lwgreen@justus.group>, lwdogs@justus.group
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Until informed by the group of residents meeting with the Park & Planning staff, this information was never revealed to them by the applicant - Leisure World of Maryland.

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From: leisureworldmd@yahoo.com <leisureworldmd@yahoo.com> on behalf of Jim Hurley jim.hurley1190@bellsouth.net [leisureworldmd] <leisureworldmd@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 2, 2017 2:55 PM
To: leisureworldmd@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: [leisureworldmd] W/those against present Admin. Bldg. plans...

I would like to add a thought to Paul 's good advice. Please consider the fact that every board member is called upon to make the best decision in matters for the trust, which means each member holds a fiduciary responsibility to each and every owner in LW. Include the entire body when you communicate your opinion by writing to board@lwmc.com

Elaine Hurley
M7

Posted by: Janice McLean <janicewmclean@gmail.com>

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Posted by: Ray Elton <ray.elton@aol.com>

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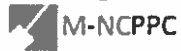
Shirley, Lori

From: Shirley, Lori
Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2017 10:48 AM
To: Marybeth Ardike
Subject: RE: Further Thoughts Regarding Leisure Application

Dear Ms. Ardike,

Thank you for your e-mail. It is part of the Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120's record and will be maintained as such in Area 2 for the continuance of the Planning Board hearing.

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From: Marybeth Ardike [mailto:marybeth.bob@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 05, 2017 6:53 AM
To: Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Further Thoughts Regarding Leisure Application

Dear Ms Shirley,

See letter below. The fact that there has been no announced initiative by the Leisure World BOD to reach out and get a "true sense" from the Community regarding the issue is indicative of the impasse & has only heightened our concerns. This is the impetus for having written to the County Executive. Thank you for all of your professional efforts in helping to resolve this situation.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Bob & Marybeth Ardike <marybeth.bob@gmail.com>
Date: December 3, 2017 at 4:36:11 PM EST

Dear Mr. Leggett

I am 75 years old. My wife, Marybeth, is 74. We have been residents of Silver Spring for 45 years. We moved to our present home in Leisure World in 2013. I write to you about a contentious issue within the Leisure World Community of Silver Spring, Maryland.

The following exhortation, "if you see **(are aware of)** something, say something" is well known. That message should be taken to heart.

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Approximately 2,000 people have petitioned the Leisure World Board of Directors to hold a referendum on the issue. The referendum sought would provide an honest sense of the community on whether to proceed with this 7 million dollar plus project.

Montgomery County Council is comprised of 9 members. Leisure World's Board of Directors is comprised of 34 members. It would be a task to find any company or local governing entity of that size. They are **selected not elected**. This is **also** a bone of contention. The irony of the current situation is further demonstrated by the fact that the individual, who has been the Chairman of the Leisure World Board of Directors for 2 years, signed the referendum petition, regarding new construction & demolition vs renovation and has stated that **the size** of the LW Board, as constituted, is not manageable.

To date, the LW Board has refused to conduct a referendum or to have a **factual** engineering assessment of the present building to determine its structural and economic viability of renovation, to ascertain if there exists a viable alternative. The issue is seriously dividing this community. It has been percolating for 5 years & has reached a point of intensification. Anger is growing on both sides.

Appendix L

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Well! Those are always logical questions to be asked.

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We could go on. Yet, there is no need to do so. Validation is available both in print as well as in a July ABC TV news report. Much should be covered in an article that will appear in the Montgomery Sentinel newspaper in its December 7, edition. The media have taken an interest in the situation.

We write this to you in hopes your office will find a way within the county structure to bring the partys together to mediate the impass We are of the opinion that “hope” alone is not a viable option for a solution to the dilemma that exists. It will take some intervention, or professioal mediation.

Please look into the situation described. Angry persons who feel dismissed, disrespected, or disregarded can become “unhinged”. Leisure World needs help.

Thank you,

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Silver Spring, Md. 20906

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Shirley, Lori

From: onomistee@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2017 12:44 PM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Re: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120 - elevator location (attachment)

Hi Lori:

Thanks so very much.

Carole L. Portis
onomistee@aol.com

-----Original Message-----

From: Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
To: Carole Portis (onomistee@aol.com) <onomistee@aol.com>
Sent: Wed, Dec 6, 2017 10:29 am
Subject: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120 - elevator location (attachment)

Hi Carole,

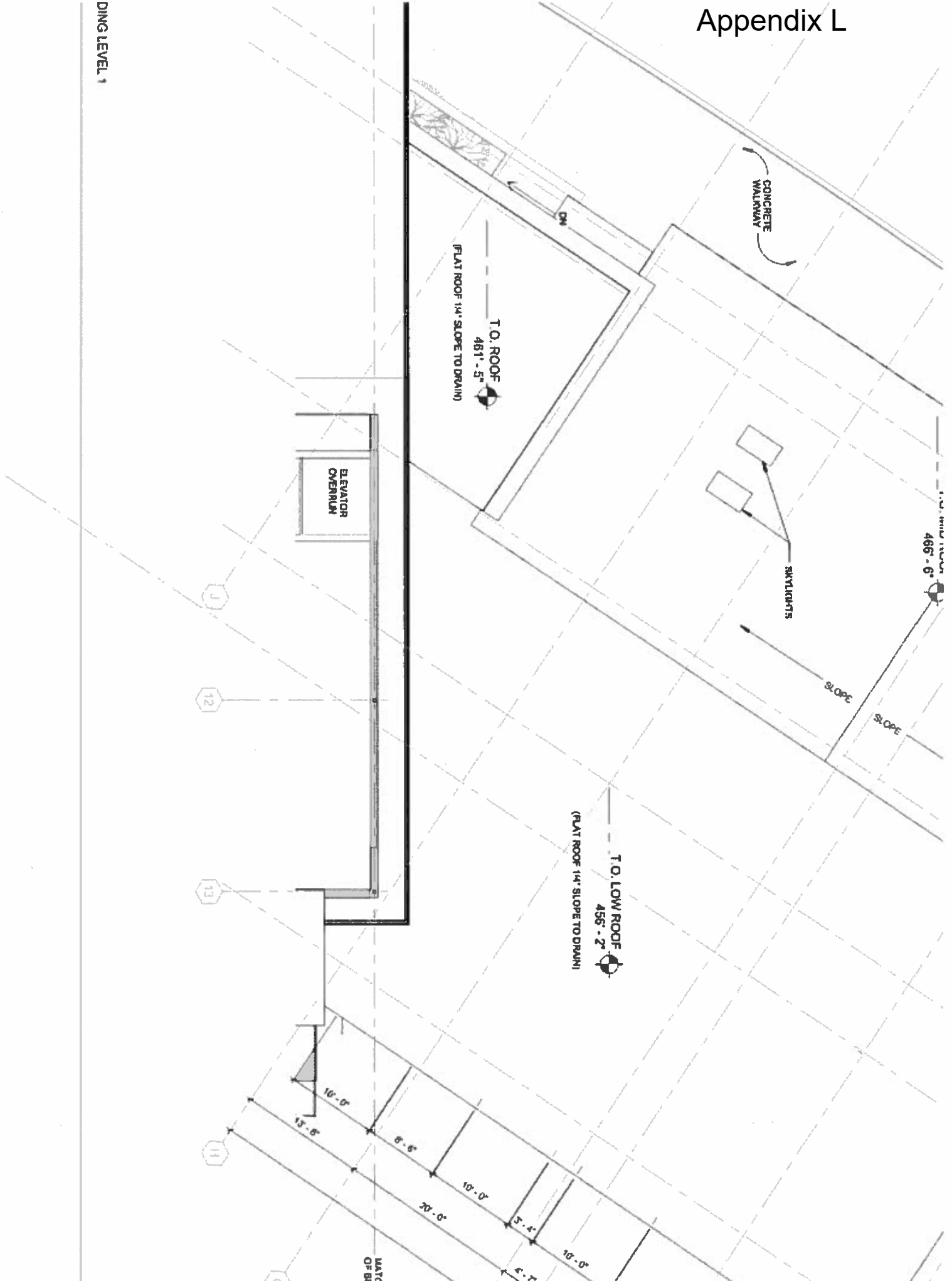
I've been meaning to get you an answer to your question about an elevator planned in the proposed Administration Building. Please see the attached floor plan (that is identified as part of the architectural plans). There is an "elevator overrun" shown at the bottom of this sheet. Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. Just wanted you to know that I made a mental note (a while ago) to check these plans to get you an answer. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

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Appendix L

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Shirley, Lori

From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2017 7:13 PM
To: mncpcc@justus.group; justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group; press and tv mediaf; Montgomery County Council; ben kramer
Subject: Request For Help

From: Marybeth Ardike <marybeth.bob@gmail.com>
Date: December 6, 2017 6:43:11 PM EST
To: mark.anders@montgomerycountymd.gov
Cc: admin@justus.group
Subject: Fwd: Request For Help

From: Marybeth Ardike <marybeth.bob@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Request For Help
Date: December 6, 2017 at 6:39:24 PM EST
To: mark.anders@montgomerymd.gov

On Dec 6, 2017, at 6:23 PM, Marybeth Ardike <marybeth.bob@gmail.com> wrote:

Please note the response to our letter sent from the Montgomery County State's Attorney Office. We are requesting you to provide the assistance in a timely manner. Thanking you in advance for your help.

Bob & Marybeth Ardike

From: "Roslund, Bryan" <Bryan.Roslund@montgomerycountymd.gov>
Subject: Re: Request For Help
Date: December 6, 2017 at 3:50:16 PM EST
To: "marybeth.bob@gmail.com" <marybeth.bob@gmail.com>

Mr. & Mrs. Ardike,

I have reviewed your email and am aware of some of the issues at Leisure World from news accounts. Unfortunately, our office is limited to criminal matters. I encourage you to continue the efforts to reach out to the agencies who work with common ownership communities. **At the very least, there seems to be a lack of communication in Leisure World.** I am sorry our office is not able to provide further assistance.

Bryan Roslund
Assistant State's Attorney
Chief, Special Prosecutions Division
Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office
50 Maryland Avenue
Rockville, Maryland 20854

240-777-7378

From: Marybeth Ardike [<mailto:marybeth.bob@gmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, December 03, 2017 6:27 PM
To: Attorney, States <States.Attorney@montgomerycountymd.gov>
Subject: Request For Help

Dear Mr. McCarthy, please note the email sent to County Executive Leggett. Any assistance you & your office might render would also be appreciated.

I am 75 years old. My wife is 74. We have been residents of Silver Spring for 45 years. We moved to our present residence in Leisure World in 2013. It is about a perceived contentious issue within Leisure that I write to you.

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We could go on. Yet, there is no need to do so. Validation is available in print & even a July ABC TV news report on the divisions that exist. **You can see for yourself** as much as you need/care to see if you are interested in further enlightenment. There will be an article coming out in the Sentinel newspaper in its December 7, edition.

We are of the personal opinion that “hope” alone is not a viable option for the dilemma that exists. It will take some intervention.

Please look into the situation we have described. Angry persons who feel dismissed, disrespected, or disregarded can become unhinged. Leisure World needs help.

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December 6, 2017

MONTGOMERY MUTUAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Mr. Fisher,

I am a new resident of the Leisure World community who resides in Montgomery Mutual. This letter is to voice major concerns about the proposed new project to replace the Administration Building. I preface that I am not knowledgeable on the many undergoing that has gone into this decision, but I have attempted to research some of its findings and have made a conscious decision that the necessary due diligence for a project of this magnitude was very limited in obtaining those in different areas of expertise for their guidance before this decision was made. It seems that the pulse of the community shares my perception, not necessarily because they oppose the project, but not included in these vital decisions that will affect our lives.

SUMMARY

The LWCC Board of Directors of LW voted to build a new Admin Bldg at an enormous cost. The questions and concerns raised are the cost to whom? 2. Have there been feasibility studies? 3. Were at least 70% of the populist from each mutual contacted?

The intent is to tear down the existed admin bldg, resulting in major site reconstruction that would

undergo trees removal and replacements, hence five to 10 years maturity growth, creating total disruption to the community and its amenities: admin services, safety issues that would have immediate effect on our mobility of movement, especially for those with special needs.

I contend the rights of its residents have been violated by denying residents due and fair process as stated under governing by laws and procedures in addressing their concerns. Moreover, I contend that adequate and proper procedures were not implemented to ensure that residents were notified to the extent necessary to ensure important data was explained and disseminated on what this project entail. Therefore, the limited outreach has resulted in major division within the community.

The duty and responsibility of the officers whom have been given authority to represent their mutual by ensuring their views and concerns as it relates to issues brought and voted before the LWCC Board members were not adhered to. I contend that the vote given at these meetings were premature and did not address serious concerns of the community in providing comprehensive studies of a project of this magnitude that gave no protection to residents of potential fees if project resulted in unforeseen costs and expenses.

And that LWCC under no provision cannot modify agreement that cost of this project would not be paid via trust on resale of leisure property(s) only which contradicts Section 2.

**(SEE) ARTICLE IX FINANCIAL
ADMINISTRATION**

**Section 2 the board may amend a budget at
any time to meet unanticipated changes in
income or expenses.**

Directors shall perform their functions in good faith and shall employ the best efforts to promote the interests of the Corporation. However, that function should not be in contrast to the needs of the community but to coexist.

BYLAWS. In all of its activities the Corporation shall give special consideration to the communal nature of its function and the independence of the welfare of the several Mutual, and shall recognize the high importance of promoting a spirit of unity and a sense of equity and cooperation throughout the community.

I contend that The Corporation/Board decision were not based on “best practices” and it did not practice prudent business judgment by not thoroughly investigating other alternatives such as remodeling the existing Administration Building, making adjustments to the parking lot to make it more level, or any other actions that would be least intrusive, least expensive, and least invasive to the environment and its inhabitants.

Moreover, in November 2014, it is my understanding that the LWCC Board voted on a motion to do an invasive engineering study on the existing Administration Building became tainted

due to the motion the chair's call for "all in favor" and "all opposed," the General Manager blurted out "the motion fails" when that was not true. No clarity on the motion was ratified thereby resulting in confusion on the action that resulted. And followed by unsubstantiated and least factual Board members comments in 2017, perpetuating, "It's a done deal," "It's too late," and "The train has left the station."

The Bylaws of LWCC require the use of Robert's Rules of Order, which clearly states that decisions can be rescinded or amended even after they have been made.

A petition was circulated among the residents asking the LWCC Board to conduct a survey of the LW residents to determine their views about the project to build a new Administration Building and tear down the existing one. This petition has over 2,000 signatures which supports my contention that proper due diligence was not implemented which has contributed to the diverseness among residents. Moreover, the LWCC Board rejected collaborated efforts on introducing any assertive efforts on outreach initiative to ensure residents awareness of this enormous project that could affect their lives for years to come.

On March 29, 2017, in accordance with the requirements of the Montgomery County Planning Board, the LWCC Board held a community meeting to provide information about the Administration Building. The take away over time has created anxiety and confusion as to

project costs and expenses. Note. Leisure World News, the community's newspaper article saying the cost of the new Administration project would be \$7.2 million as opposed to 5.2 million.

CONCLUSION

- 1. Present a motion to the floor to rescind the replacement of the Administration Building.**
- 2. LW Board of Directors shall use the platform of the Strategic Planning Committee to ascertain feedback from the community's opposition or support of the Administration Building between December 1 and March 15, 2018.**

I respectfully request that my concerns are reviewed and open for discussion during the LWCC Executive Committee Meeting on DEC 11.

Thank you for any consideration afforded to me.

Sincerely,

ELAINE MULDROW MALLOY

BLDG 87-2A

CONTACT: emtkw@gmail.com or phone 202-215-4232

Shirley, Lori

From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 2:07 PM
To: mncpcc@justus.group; Montgomery County Council; press and tv media
Cc: justus organization; LW Green; Town Hall organizing committee
Subject: "Wallace said --"next step could be a lawsuit against the planning board". -really? listen to this:

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@ 1:15:02 hear LW high paid lawyer Scott Walker answer my question:

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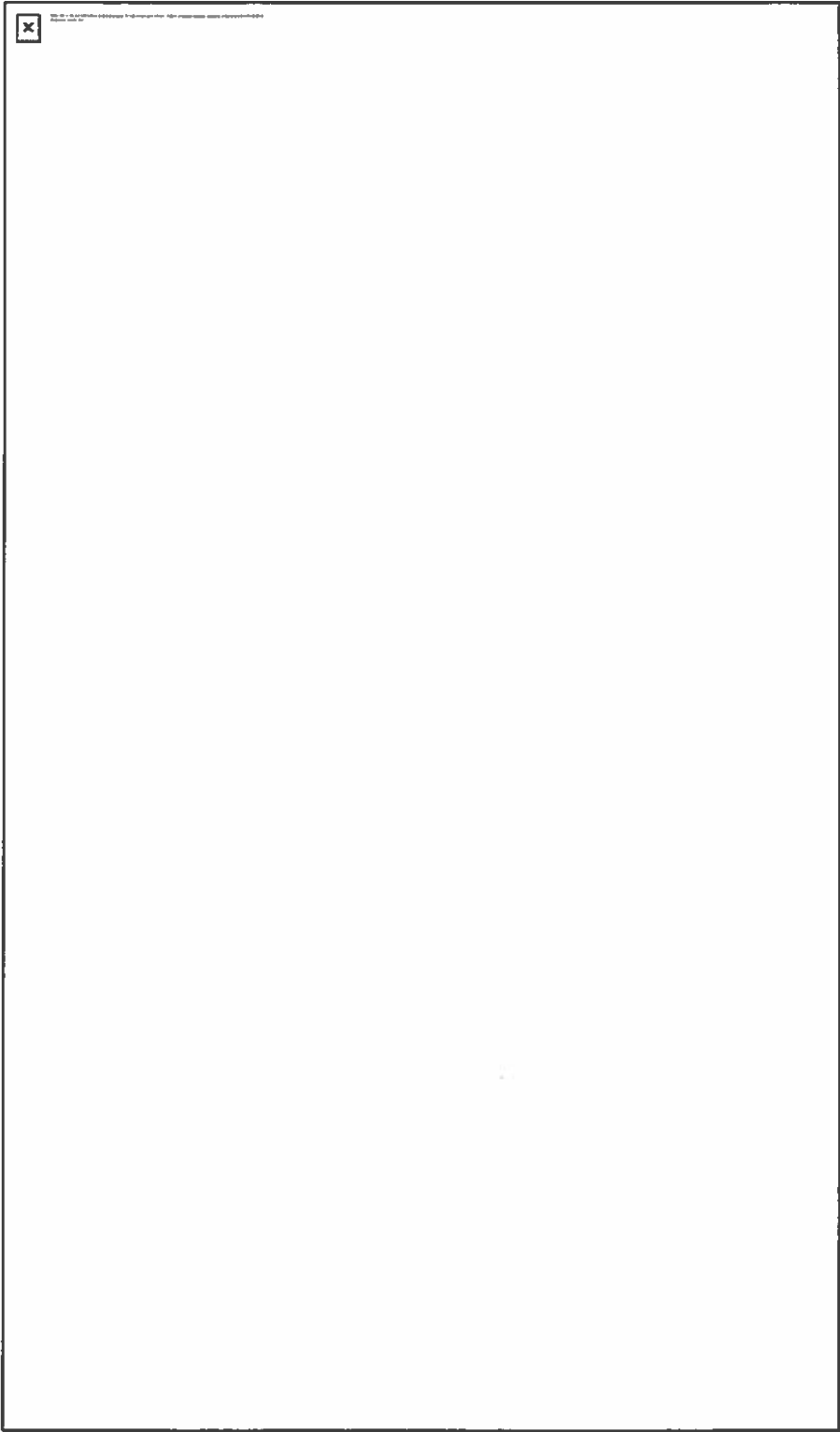
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Montgomery County Planning Board "defers" Leisure World \$7.2 Million scheme



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Shirley, Lori

From: admin@justus.group
Sent: Friday, December 8, 2017 1:15 PM
To: justus organization; LW Green; lwdogs@justus.group; Montgomery County Council; mncpcc@justus.group
Cc: kevin lewis; press and tv mediaf
Subject: County defers on Leisure World plan

From: suzanne pollak <suzpollak@gmail.com>
Date: December 8, 2017 12:54:02 PM EST
To: admin@justus.group
Subject: Re: County defers on Leisure World plan

<http://www.thesentinel.com/mont/news/local/item/6135-county-defers-on-leisure-world-plan>

It's up on our website now.. the full version as the last few paragraphs were cut to fit in the paper.. thanks, Suznane

The County Planning Board voted 3-1 to defer a decision on plans for a new \$7.2 million administration building for Leisure World after some two dozen residents testified in opposition to the proposal and nearly 2,000 residents from the 5,659 residential units signed a petition opposing the new building,

The Board urged Leisure World executives to try and work things out with residents and return in a few weeks with improvements to the plan for a two-story, 20,555 square foot administration building where there currently is a parking lot.

Attorney Scott Wallace, who represented Leisure World, questioned the board's right to defer a plan because residents opposed it. "You are basically saying that if enough people like the building," it will be approved. "That's not how you act."

But board member Natali Fani-Gonzalez countered that the board's "legal authority is to see there is a quality of life." She seemed surprised that Leisure World had held only one meeting with residents and noted that the most successful applications take place when the community is involved.

"What is the justification of a new administration building?" questioned board member Gerald Cichy. "It's difficult for us to perhaps move ahead" when it appears that "you aren't meeting the needs of the residents."

After the hearing, Wallace said he would discuss the matter with Leisure World officials before deciding on the next step, which could be, as planning board Chair Casey Anderson suggested, a lawsuit against the planning board.

Appendix L

Anderson, the only board member not voting to defer, told residents that the Leisure World board “represents you whether you like them or not.”

During the hearing, residents testified that they were not kept up to date on the plans and were not listened to by Leisure World board and managers. They complained that no engineering study had been done to see if the current administration building could be rehabilitated, thereby saving money by not tearing it down and constructing a whole new building, according to several residents.

Still other residents complained that too many older trees would be destroyed.

“There has been little or no attempt to let the residents of Leisure World know what’s going on,” testified Paul Bessel.

“In Leisure World, you are not heard. You are not a person, a non-entity, nothing,” said Carol Sloane, before then urging the board, “Don’t destroy our community.”

Testified Sue Gray, “A survey should have gone out to all the residents. It’s our money. We have a right to have a voice, but they don’t listen to us. They don’t care,” she said. “The elderly people are being taken advantage of.”

Bruce MacDonald was the resident who first mentioned the entranceway steps. “This is heresy, frankly, to the Leisure World residents,” many of whom are elderly and have trouble with steps.

Sheryl Katzman, president of the residents’ group, Just Us, said she did not believe the Leisure World Community Corporation board of directors were legally authorized to represent the residents, and therefore, shouldn’t be allowed to submit plans.

Carol Rubin, planning board principal counsel, said it was not for the board to decide if the people submitting the plans have the legal right to do so. The planning board’s job is to review the zoning ordinance and other county laws only, she said.

@SuzannePollak

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Shirley, Lori

From: Darlene <monet_2@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, December 9, 2017 9:52 PM
To: Findley, Steve; Shirley, Lori
Subject: Administration Site Pictures...June 23, 2015
Attachments: 07-A0001252.jpg; 26-A0001283.jpg; 01-A0001288.jpg; 16-A0001330 (1).jpg; 20-A0001265.jpg; 03-A0001331-2.jpg; 19-A0001307.jpg; 10-A0001260-4.jpg

Dear Ms. Shirley & Mr. Findley,

I thank you both for visiting Leisure World on November 30th, to listen and answer questions from only a small % of our concerned residents. I thought that it was especially beneficial for you both to visit the site, because what is often written on paper, does not always give a true, or realistic picture of an area, but is rather just a high priced sales pitch, for the applicant to achieve THEIR desired goal.

I had told Mr. Findley that I would send him my pictures of the proposed site, and had neglected to do so - I was in the midst of having our Trennial Rain Garden/ Conservation Landscape Inspection for my Mutual, and had been trying, since June to have their contractor abide by their contract to help maintain it. Instead, they convinced my mutual board to elevate all of the trees 18' from the ground for free! (Hah!), and cut down and removed 7-8 mature, healthy, Sycamore and London plane trees. I literally cried when they elevated the magnolia and Riverbirch trees by my unit. I had been overseeing them for 8 years and had purposely planted them well I had thought they were out of harms way, and had ensured that I had increased the mulched area around both every year, to avoid their mowers. I forgot that nothing is safe or sacred in here, only \$\$\$\$. Unfortunately, my mutual board knows nothing about Horticulture, and refuses to listen or read anything from those, whom do, regarding the price people pay for cutting down

Seeing what they had done to the magnolia, was the same sickening feeling I had gotten, when they had just stub cut the upper canopy branches of the Championship Japanese Pagoda Tree, and then used a gas powered edger (trencher) around the complete base of it and severing it's surface roots, one year after it was declared a championship tree. The Champ is down for the count and the Magnolia is now a lollipop. Oh, well..

Respectfully,

Darlene Merry Hamilton

(The overweight woman in red w/ a cane.



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Shirley, Lori

From: lojo321@aol.com
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 6:23 PM
To: Anderson, Casey
Cc: Shirley, Lori; Rubin, Carol
Subject: November 2, 2017 Parks & Planning Board Meeting

Dear Mr. Anderson,

Thank you for your judicious handling of both sides of the hearing process that took place on November 2, 2017 re the building of a new Administration Building in Leisure World.

As a resident of Leisure World, I have had one major concern leading up to this hearing which continues to give me pause: Who or what entity will be held accountable for giving the green light to a project of this magnitude in the absence of an engineering study? Why would a reputable contractor agree to partner with any client under these circumstances? It defies all logic, in my opinion.

There is still time for our board and its contractor to declare a moratorium in their pursuit of the existing plan. A call for an independent engineering study to report on the viability of the proposed model and its specs would seem reasonable and prudent. If the members of our board cannot or will not do this, what agency or governing body exists in the State of Maryland to protect 8,000 residents and our environment from the folly of their decision-making?

Sincerely,

Lois A. Jordan

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Shirley, Lori

From: Shirley, Lori
Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2017 9:57 AM
To: John Stewart
Subject: RE: Leisure World Administration Building statement on revisions to the Site Plan (Attached)
Attachments: 820170120 Leisure World Admin Bldg & Clubhouse I statement post 11.30.17 hrg 12.14.17.doc
Importance: High

Hi John,

Here is the attached statement that was posted on the Planning Board's web site yesterday. Earlier this week as the statement was being drafted, there was coordination with the Applicant's team (and Nicole Gerke as the Project Manager). Nicole will have the statement published in the Leisure World community newspaper for tomorrow's edition. Please let me know if you have any other questions as these relate to the Site Plan. Thank you.

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From: John Stewart [<mailto:ocstewart@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2017 9:22 AM
To: Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Re: Leisure World Administration Building

Ms Shirley,

Please get back to me today. I need to know if the public comment period is still open for the Leisure World site plan review. Please see previous message sent eight days ago.

Thank you

John Stewart

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Importance: High

From: "Shirley, Lori" <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Date: December 14, 2017 11:50:22 AM EST
To: "Bruce MacDonald (MR_eieio@hotmail.com)" <MR_eieio@hotmail.com>, "cloudy1220@aol.com" <cloudy1220@aol.com>, "Carole Portis (onomistee@aol.com)" <onomistee@aol.com>, John Stewart <qcstewart@gmail.com>, "Darlene Merry Hamilton (monet_2@comcast.net)" <monet_2@comcast.net>, "Natalie Brodsky (nataliebrodsky@hotmail.com)" <nataliebrodsky@hotmail.com>, "Sheryl Katzman (admin@justus.group)" <admin@justus.group>, "Sue Gray (suetigerpaws@sbcglobal.net)" <suetigerpaws@sbcglobal.net>, Marybeth Ardike <marybeth.bob@gmail.com>, "Paul M. Bessel (besselpaulm@comcast.net)" <besselpaulm@comcast.net>
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Good morning Lori:
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It has now been 2 weeks since your email. There has nothing addressed to Leisure World residents management and/or BOD - nor from your office.


slk

From: "Shirley, Lori" <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Date: December 1, 2017 1:56:45 PM EST
To: "admin@justus.group" <admin@justus.group>
Subject: RE: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120

Sheryl,

Please give Area 2 staff time to meet to discuss the next steps and how the two week deferral will be addressed in this window of time. I believe part of the equation on the site plan going back to the Board is connected to the regulatory review period associated with site plans (120 day review clock). Carol Rubin may pipe into the conversation in the Department on that regulatory point.

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Sent: Friday, December 01, 2017 12:58 PM

To: Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Subject: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120
Importance: High

Thanks Lori:

The Commissioners "deferred for 2 weeks" - of course nothing can be accomplished to bring it back on the Commission agenda in that short period of time --

As President of the resident advocacy organization - was it your understanding that I will be acting on behalf of the residents in this process?

slk

From: "Shirley, Lori" <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org>
Date: December 1, 2017 12:07:48 PM EST
To: "Sheryl Katzman (admin@justus.group)" <admin@justus.group>
Subject: Leisure World Site Plan No. 820170120

Hi Sheryl,

Got your voice mail. I'm working from home today and will be back in the office on Monday.

The Area 2 review team needs to meet early next week to discuss our next steps. Carrie Sanders, the Area 2 Chief, will likely discuss with the Planning Director what the Board's action in deferral means for us to move forward. I don't have a quick and clear answer for you; however, please know the Area 2 team will do our part to work with the residents and the Applicant's team to bring a solution back to the Planning Board, as soon as possible.

Thanks and have a good weekend!

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Importance: High

Hi Sharon,

Right after this e-mail below was sent a few minutes ago, I realized that your name was omitted. I'm sorry about that oversight! I will try to remember to include you among the list of Leisure World residents for any future updates that are made available by e-mail.

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Subject: Re: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120 - statement on the Planning Board's deferral on 11.30.17 (attached)

To all Montgomery County Planning Board members, staff, and all others concerned with the Leisure World project to tear down the current Administration Building, build a new one, tear out trees, tear up the parking lot, etc.:

I have read the message below from the Montgomery County Planning Board staff as carefully as I can, and I am very disappointed with it.

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My understanding of the Planning Board members' comments on Nov. 30 was that they wanted the LW Board and LW management to meet and have real discussions with LW residents about this project. The Planning

Board members want compromises, just as I and many of my neighbors do. No such meetings and discussions have ever taken place during the entire time this project has been under consideration. For example, at one meeting the LW residents were told they could ask questions but were prohibited from expressing any opinions about what they were being shown, and of course no discussion took place.

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Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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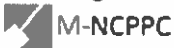
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Subject: input re 820170120

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Respectfully,
Paul Eisenhaur / Leisure World of MD

Shirley, Lori

From: John Stewart <ocstewart@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2017 9:43 PM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Re: Leisure World Administration Building statement on revisions to the Site Plan (Attached)

Lori,

Nice talking to you today regarding the subject site plan. I am happy that the Planning Board is listening to the concerns of the citizens. I can not download the video. Do I need a password?

As mentioned, I am a member of the Energy Advisory Committee. We will meet this Tuesday and I have requested that the Administration Building site plan be on our agenda. It appears that some of our recommends were not included in the site plan. I will get back to you and Nicole if we have any further comments. Thank you.

John Stewart

On Thu, Dec 14, 2017 at 9:57 AM, Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org> wrote:

Hi John,

Here is the attached statement that was posted on the Planning Board's web site yesterday. Earlier this week as the statement was being drafted, there was coordination with the Applicant's team (and Nicole Gerke as the Project Manager). Nicole will have the statement published in the Leisure World community newspaper for tomorrow's edition. Please let me know if you have any other questions as these relate to the Site Plan. Thank you.

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To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: RE: input re 820170120

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> Hello Mr. Eisenhaur,
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> I've received and read your e-mail. This is possibly the first time
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> statement was sent to about a dozen Leisure World residents who have
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If office space is a driving force for the new building, LW needs to consider implementing teleworking. Teleworking can be from a person's home or from an office designed to support businesses who take advantage of technology. While it is convenient to have employees onsite, experience in the workforce has shown that employees are just as effective via teleworking as they are in the office. Has LW investigated implementing teleworking? If not, why not?

LWBOD should send a survey to all LW owners asking if they approve or disapprove the new admin building—that is a fast and inexpensive method to settle the question as to what the owners want. That definitely would settle the argument between owners and LWMC. But I know the BOD doesn't want to hear the answer.

John

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It is suggested that the entire Planning Board members and staff listen to:

1. **audio of the 3-29-17 preliminary site plan meeting** (click link to listen: <https://tinyurl.com/y9r9yphf>)
2. **audio of the 11/30/17 (thus far only Leisure World public mention of the Planning Board/LW site plan "deferral") and hear Phil Marks at the 12/11/17 CPAC (LW Community Planning Advisory Committee meeting - demeaning the Commission members "inordinate amount of attention paid to the steps"** (click link to listen: <https://tinyurl.com/ybo3fjeh>)

Subject: 3-29-17 Admin. Bldg preliminary site plan meeting
From: JustUs

Date: March 30, 2017 9:18:02 AM EDT

As the photos show, the Admin. Bldg. preliminary site plan meeting was sparsely attended - however, it was crystal clear that the opinion of those attending were against it--not one audience member spoke in favor.

The highlights include hearing Phil Marks - (Exec. Committee/BOD/Budget & Finance Chair) hammer a nail in his coffin when asked WHY THERE HAS

BEEN NO MEMBER/UNIT OWNER REFERENDUM VOTE CONDUCTED-his answer:
"because I don't think that's a good idea"; not explaining why there

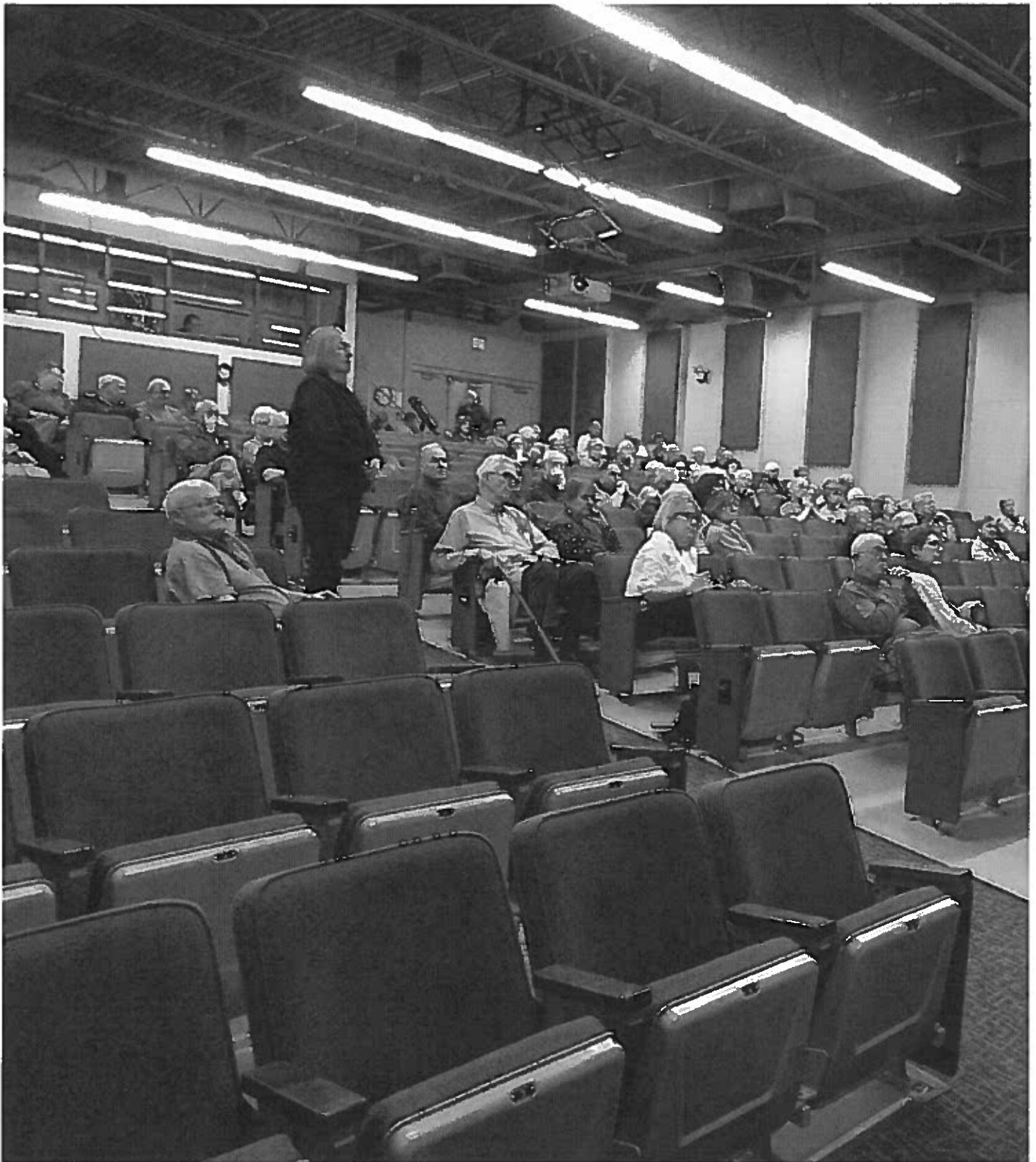
are STEPS in front of the proposed monstrosity; stating 3 different figures for proposed construction; not having conducted an engineering study to determine if

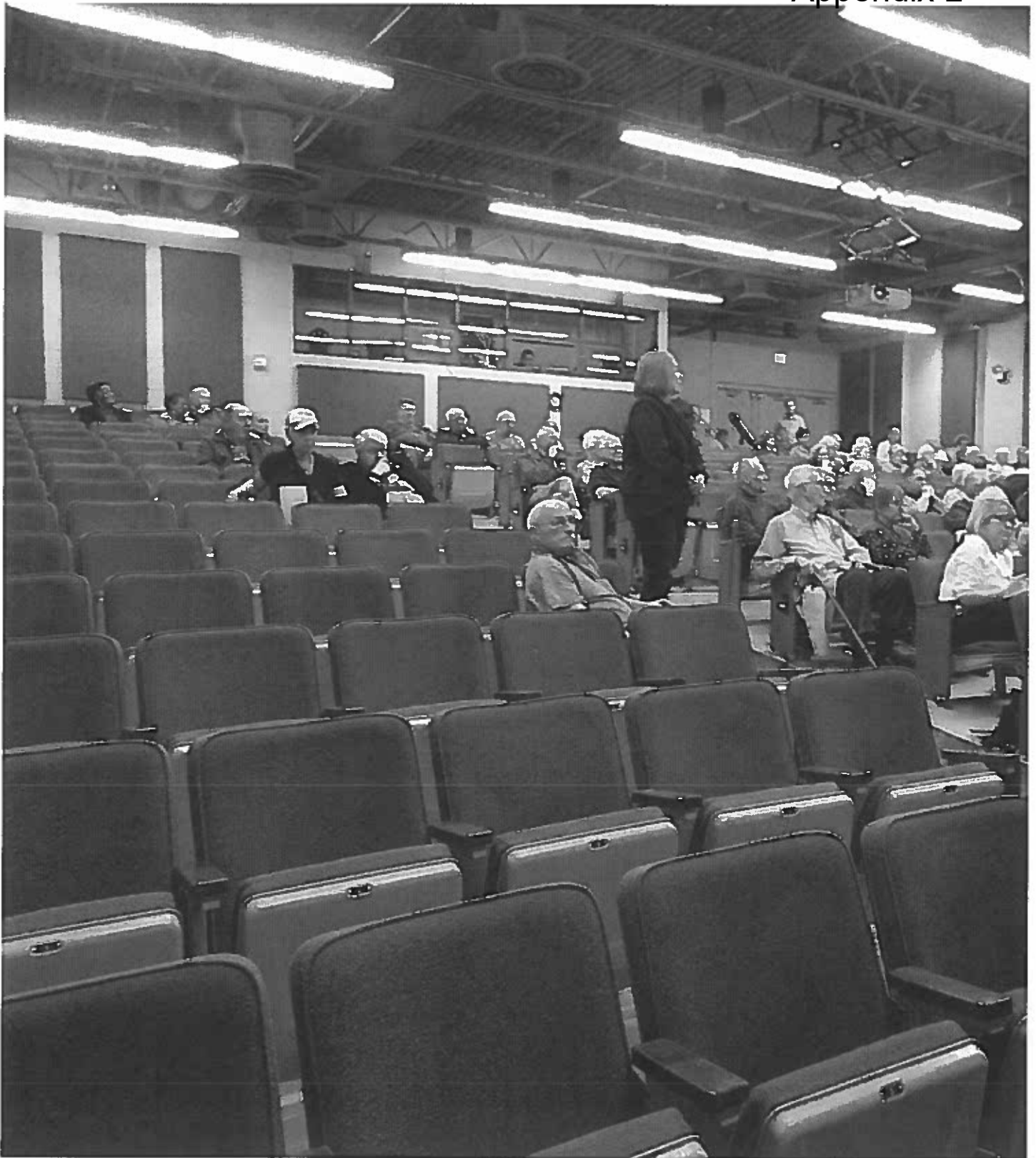
the ground will support a building; there is no outside contractor being hired to oversee contract compliance; and of course that there has never been an

engineering study done to determine viability of renovating the current building. A couple of times, the audience shouted out their disapproval - easily heard on

this recording.

The poor quality microphones and acoustics contribute to the beginning of this recording - Jolene King's verbal description of the site plan" being at such a low audio level - but as the audience steps up to the mikes - it starts to get interesting:





As reported in her 12/8/17 Montgomery Sentinel article "**County defers on Leisure World plan**" (<https://tinyurl.com/ybuwceem>)

reporter Suzanne Pollack wrote:

"Wallace said --"next step could be a lawsuit against the planning board".

REALLY?

**listen to the 3-29-17 LW Admin. Bldg. preliminary site plan meeting audio --
@ 1:15:02 hear LW high paid lawyer Scott Walker answer
my
question:**

slk: "Does resident opinion really matter?"

Scott Wallace: "--I do think it matters to Park and Planning."

**slk: "and, have you ever had an experience or an example where residents do come forward
and their opinion is in opposition to to what's being
planned and the Park & Planning Commission has decided not to approve the permit?"**

Scott Wallace: "remember I represent the developer so, in my experience, it does happen."

"

County defers on Leisure World plan

The County Planning Board voted 3-1 to defer a decision on plans for a new \$7.2 million administration building for Leisure World after some two dozen residents testified in

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opposition to the proposal and nearly 2,000 residents from the 5,659 residential units signed a petition opposing the new building,

The Board urged Leisure World executives to try and work things out with residents and return in a few weeks with improvements to the plan for a two-story, 20,555 square foot

administration building where there currently is a parking lot.

Attorney Scott Wallace, who represented Leisure World, questioned the board's right to defer a plan because residents opposed it. "You are basically saying that if enough people

like the building," it will be approved. "That's not how you act."

But board member Natali Fani-Gonzalez countered that the board's "legal authority is to see there is a quality of life." She seemed surprised that Leisure World had held only one

meeting with residents and noted that the most successful applications take place when the community is involved.

"What is the justification of a new administration building?" questioned board member Gerald Cichy. "It's difficult for us to perhaps move ahead" when it appears that "you aren't meeting

the needs of the residents."

After the hearing, Wallace said he would discuss the matter with Leisure World officials before deciding on the next step, which could be, as planning

board Chair Casey Anderson suggested, a lawsuit against the planning board.

Anderson, the only board member not voting to defer, told residents that the Leisure World board "represents you whether you like them or not."

During the hearing, residents testified that they were not kept up to date on the plans and were not listened to by Leisure World board and managers. They complained that no

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engineering study had been done to see if the current administration building could be rehabilitated, thereby saving money by not tearing it down and constructing a whole new building, according to several residents.

Still other residents complained that too many older trees would be destroyed.

“There has been little or no attempt to let the residents of Leisure World know what’s going on,” testified Paul Bessel.

“In Leisure World, you are not heard. You are not a person, a non-entity, nothing,” said Carol Sloane, before then urging the board, “Don’t destroy our community.”

Testified Sue Gray, “A survey should have gone out to all the residents. It’s our money. We have a right to have a voice, but they don’t listen to us. They don’t care,” she said.

“The elderly people are being taken advantage of.”

Bruce MacDonald was the resident who first mentioned the entranceway steps. “This is heresy, frankly, to the Leisure World residents,” many of whom are elderly and have trouble with steps.

Sheryl Katzman, president of the residents’ group, Just Us, said she did not believe the Leisure World Community Corporation board of directors were legally authorized to represent the residents, and therefore, shouldn’t be allowed to submit plans.

Carol Rubin, planning board principal counsel, said it was not for the board to decide if the people submitting the plans have the legal right to do so. The planning board’s job is to review the zoning ordinance and other county laws only, she said.

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To all Montgomery County Planning Board members, staff, and all others concerned with the Leisure World project to tear down the current Administration Building, build a new one, tear out trees, tear up the parking lot, etc.:

I have read the message below from the Montgomery County Planning Board staff as carefully as I can, and I am very disappointed with it.

It seems that the Planning Board staff is continuing to meet and work with the very LW people who want to ignore the comments of the Planning Board members and push ahead with this huge project without making any significant changes it in, with no compromises, and no discussions with the LW residents. The Planning Board staff seems to meet with LW management and the lawyers hired by LW, but to ignore LW residents, not making any effort to meet with us despite what I perceived to be a desire by the Planning Board members that discussions and compromises take place with LW residents who clearly expressed their feelings at the Nov. 30 hearing. Such discussions could be arranged very easily.

My understanding of the Planning Board members' comments on Nov. 30 was that they wanted the LW Board and LW management to meet and have real discussions with LW residents about this project. The Planning Board members want compromises, just as I and many of my neighbors do. No such meetings and discussions have ever taken place during the entire time this project has been under consideration. For example, at one meeting the LW residents were told they could ask questions but were prohibited from expressing any opinions about what they were being shown, and of course no discussion took place.

I have already offered one compromise in writing. The new building could be built, but instead of being only for the LW staff it should be a new Clubhouse 3 for the benefit of the LW residents, with meeting rooms, activity rooms, and other things that would enhance a community such as LW. Then, some of the room in the current Clubhouse 1, plus some of the admittedly unused space in the current Administration Building could be used to ease staff overcrowding. That is the type of compromise that could be considered and that could result in all parties being happy, but the LW Board and LW management have not even acknowledged it, and it seems to me that the Planning Board is siding with LW management instead of following the stated desires of the Planning Board members that discussions should take place and compromises should be sought.

Despite the obvious intent of the members of the Planning Board, the LW Board and management have not made the slightest effort to arrange for meetings with LW residents where there can be a real give-and-take and discussion of compromises. It appears that the LW Board and management intend to ignore the recommendations of the Planning Board and simply push ahead with their plan. As the LW lawyer said at the hearing on Nov. 30, the opinions and concerns of LW residents are irrelevant to the LW Board and management. I am sorry to say that it appears to me that the Planning Board staff is assisting in this.

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For example, I presented evidence in my testimony on Nov. 30 that the pre-submission meeting that LW held was a joke. Although 4 lawyers and others were present when I attempted to ask them questions I was ordered not to do so by the LW Board member who ran the meeting in an authoritarian manner. Worse, when I and others asked questions, the answers were out-and-out lies, proven by the documents I submitted together with my written testimony. Therefore I requested that the Planning Board declare that meeting to be null and void and order a new meeting.

The only response from the Planning Board staff was that they had received a letter from LW management saying the meeting had been held. That was not the point. The meeting was held but LW residents were prohibited from having any discussion, and we were lied to when we asked questions. The existence of a letter from LW management saying the meeting took place is not relevant to whether the purposes of such a meeting were met. They were not, and I urge the Planning Board to order that a new meeting be held, under the direction of a different person, and with the goal of having real and serious discussions resulting in compromises.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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Update on Leisure World Administration Building :
Community invited to submit comments until next public meeting in Spring 2018

The Montgomery County Planning Board deferred action on the Administration Building and Clubhouse (Site Plan No. 17-0006) on Thursday, November 30, 2017.

View the staff report from the Planning Board meeting
View the video from the Planning Board meeting on N
View the Site Plan documents in the Planning Departm
Information Center.

As a result of the Planning Board's deferred action at the hearing, the applicant, Leisure World of Maryland Corporation, is directed to discuss the next steps with planning staff, the Administration Building and Clubhouse.

Before the next Planning Board discussion in Spring 2016, Maryland has agreed to present revisions to the site plan and Board recommendations at community meetings for review and a future Planning Board meeting this Spring.

In anticipation of the Board's future consideration of the associated hearing, written comments from Leisure World

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At the Planning Board hearing on November 30, 2017, the Planning Board members were clear in saying they wanted the LW Board to have real talks with LW residents and try to arrive at a compromise, to avoid the continuing large and noisy controversy about this issue.

As you know from my previous emails, I used various email methods (yahoogroup and NextDoor), with cc's to the Planning Board members and staff, and urged the LW Board to follow the recommendations of the Planning Board members to have real discussions with the LW residents and attempt to arrive at a compromise. I proposed a compromise: to turn the proposed new Administration Building into a new Clubhouse for LW

residents that would benefit those who pay, rather than a new Administration Building for the staff, and to turn part or all of the existing Clubhouse 1 into more space to accommodate administrative staff. I have not received any response to my suggestions from the LW Board or LW management.

Today the LW News, our community newspaper, was issued. I have attached 3 pages from it which show what LW management is planning, and a letter I wrote concerning this issue. As you will see, the article, which expresses the official position of LW management, shows that they will not have a real discussion with LW residents. All they are planning to do is inform residents of changes they will make to the current --- and highly hated --- plan they submitted to the Planning Board. No real discussions with LW residents, no discussion of any compromise. They refer to meetings they will hold, but as in the past, residents will be allowed to ask questions but not express opinions, and there will be no discussion. In fact, for the first time, they say they will hold individual meetings with each of the 29 Mutuels rather than allowing a meeting where all LW residents can hear and speak together.

I believe this proves to you the Planning Board members and staff, once again, that LW management and the LW Board have no interest in even talking with LW residents, let alone seeking a compromise that could be acceptable to all or a large number of LW residents. They are ignoring the recommendations of the Planning Board members.

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Snow Globe



Maryland's first significant snowfall of the season blankets Leisure World's globe at the Georgia Avenue main gate entrance Dec. 9. Photo by Leisure World News

The first official day of winter is Thursday, Dec. 21, but that hasn't stopped Mother Nature from coming to call. Are you ready for her next move?

- See the schedule on **page 5** for a full list of holiday hours and closings.
- Check the list of approved snow shovelers on **page 6** for extra help digging out after winter weather hits.
- Review the snow plan on **page 7** for details about Leisure World's inclement weather policies and procedures.

Residents traveling to see family or friends this holiday season can use the Intercounty Connector (ICC) Park and Ride's bus route 201, which takes passengers on a one-way trip to BWI Marshall Airport, with stops at Concourses A (Southwest Airlines) and E (International terminal), dropping off passengers on the upper level. The route terminates at the BWI Rail Station.

The ICC Park and Ride is located at 16000 Georgia Avenue, a five-minute drive from Leisure World.



The coming weeks are full of ways to celebrate the holiday spirit. For details on upcoming events, **see page 12.**

Project's Site Plan Revised, Mutuals to Receive Updated Version

by Maureen Freeman,
Leisure World News

Revisions to the Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan will be presented at monthly mutual meetings in the coming months.

In response to recommendations made by the Montgomery County Planning Board at a Nov. 30 application hearing for the project, the project's designers have made adjustments to the plan regarding building entrances and traffic flow.

Leisure World management will explain the revisions to the plan and answer residents' questions about the project at mutual meetings scheduled for late January and early February.

Representatives from Leisure World; Stantec, the engineering firm; and Streetsense, the architectural firm, met Dec. 8 with County Planning Board staff to discuss and develop options related to suggestions by the Planning Board on Nov. 30. The group expects to meet as often as needed until plans are finalized satisfactorily.

Planning Board staff, which

comprises professional site planners, engineers, architects and transportation specialists, had recommended the Planning Board approve the site plan at the Nov. 30 hearing.

Project Overview

The site plan is the most recent project to be addressed in Leisure World's Facilities Enhancement Plan (FEP), a series of construction and renovation projects for the community's Trust facilities that originated in 2012.

Completed FEP projects, designed and undertaken since 2014, include construction of the new Clubhouse II fitness center, renovations to the restaurants in Clubhouse I, renovations to the Clubhouse I ballroom and Maryland Room, dredging and landscaping improvements of the golf course irrigation pond, and renovations to the Physical Properties Department customer service area.

The site plan application calls for construction of a two-level building adjacent to Clubhouse I that will provide residential services, additional parking and

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A rendering by Streetsense included in the Nov. 30 site plan application to the Montgomery County Planning Board. A revised site plan will be sent to the Planning Board before the next application hearing in the spring of 2018.

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pedestrian accessibility to Clubhouse I, further improvements to the Clubhouse I restaurants, a new drop-off and pick-up loop area between the two buildings, and extensive landscaping and tree plantings throughout the site.

In its presentation recommending Planning Board approval of the site plan application, Planning Board staff cited the project's compliance with improved pedestrian and vehicular access and circulation to Clubhouse I, Environmental Site Design stormwater management controls, and the county's International Green Construction Code.

Deferral

The Planning Board voted to defer its decision on the application at the Nov. 30 hearing, with some board members citing concerns about a set of steps included as access to the new building. Plans also called for two ground-level entrances and a ramp.

Eighteen residents testified at the Nov. 30 hearing in opposition to the project, citing environmental, aesthetic and cost concerns as well as the inclusion of steps leading into the proposed new building. Several asserted

that residents have not been sufficiently informed about the project by the LWCC board of directors and management.

The Planning Board expects to reconsider a revised site plan application at a hearing in the spring of 2018.

Take Two

In anticipation of the Board's future consideration of the application and associated hearing, written comments from Leisure World residents should be submitted to Planning Board Chairman Casey Anderson at (mcp-chair@mncppc.org) with a copy sent to Area 2 Lead Reviewer Lori Shirley at (Lori.Shirley@montgomeryplanning.org).

Once the continuance of the public hearing is scheduled, a Planning Board staff report will be posted 10 days before the Planning Board meeting at (montgomeryplanningboard.org). Staff comments will be shared with the applicant and added to the record for the Planning Board's consideration of the application.

For more detailed information and upcoming meetings, contact Nicole Gerke at (301-598-1026) or (nngerke@lwmc.com).

Neurologist Arrives at MedStar in January

by Stacy Smith, Leisure World News

Dr. Sirdar Bilaal, a board certified neurologist specializing in vascular neurology, expands his clinic to include MedStar Health medical center beginning Wednesday, Jan. 17. He will be available to residents at the medical center on Wednesday afternoons from 1-5 p.m.

Neurologists examine, diagnose and treat conditions and diseases involving the central and peripheral nervous system, including dementia, Parkinson's disease, epilepsy, stroke, neuropathy, neuromuscular disorders and multiple sclerosis.

"There's a lot of need for neurology at Leisure World," Bilaal said.

Bilaal will continue to see

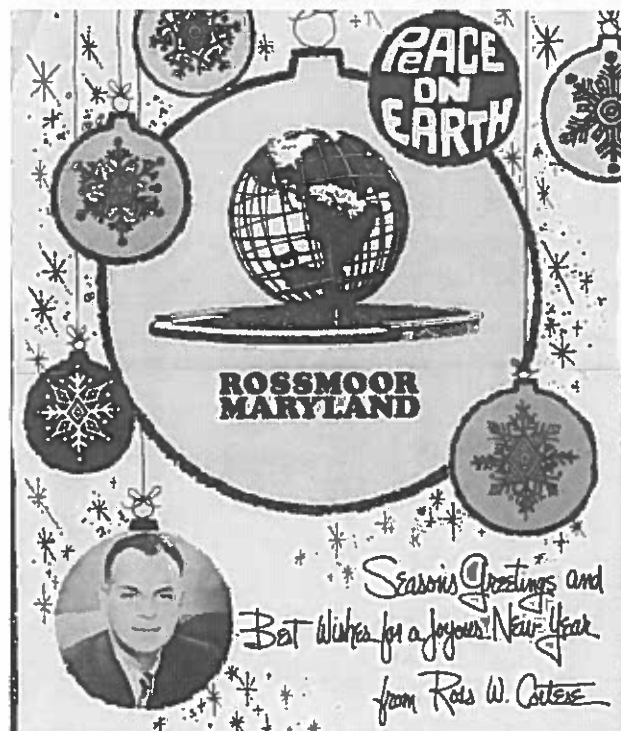
patients at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, D.C., and in the outpatient clinic at MedStar Montgomery medical center, where several of his patients are also Leisure World residents.

"They're all well-educated, plugged-in and engaged, and take their health seriously, he said, adding, "It's good to interact with and treat patients who make their health a priority."

Bilaal completed a fellowship program at Rush University Medical Center in 2015, and his medical residency at the University of Illinois at Chicago a year prior.

To schedule an appointment with Bilaal, call MedStar Georgetown University Hospitals' neurology department at (202-444-8525).

Flashback



Leisure World founder Ross Cortese spreads holiday cheer to residents with a festive message and graphics in a December 1969 edition of the Leisure World News. The community's trademark globe, center, seems to echo Cortese's sentiment, "Peace on Earth."

The 1969 holiday season is a pivotal time in America's history. As the Vietnam War heats up, the first draft lottery since World War II is held on Dec. 1. Three days later, two Black Panther Party members are shot dead in their sleep during a Chicago police raid. And that same week, "Woodstock West" goes south due to an uproar of violence that is viewed by many as "the end of the sixties."

Amidst the chaos and unrest during the final month of a tumultuous decade, residents of a fledgling hamlet in Silver Spring, Maryland, celebrate another season as they await the promise of a new year.

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THOUGHTS & OPINIONS: *From Our Residents*

A Few Things to Remember

- Relevance:** Make sure that your submission is relevant to the LW community as a whole and not to just one person, mutual, or organization.
- Respect:** Remember that your opinion is about ideas, not individuals, and please avoid personal attacks.
- Brevity:** Being concise will ensure that your opinion will have maximum impact.
- Accuracy:** Document all factual assertions. Opinions that are backed up with facts are more powerful, but only if the facts are accurate.
- Ownership:** All submissions are subject to editing but you will have the opportunity to approve the edits before publication.

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Contempt for Residents Must Stop

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I was amazed at the contempt shown by the lawyer hired by the LWCC board for the residents of Leisure World. He told the Planning Board that what Leisure World residents want is irrelevant to the proceeding and not within the jurisdiction of the Planning Board. Yet we, the residents of Leisure World, are being forced to pay this lawyer, probably many hundreds of dollars per hour.

In my opinion, we are paying him to insult us and show contempt for us.

Fortunately, the Planning Board responded to the dozens of residents who testified and asked that the new Administration Building project be rejected or at least delayed until all relevant facts could be investigated. One member of the Planning Board said part of the plan – steps in the new Administration Building – was so awful that she would never vote to approve it. Another member of the Planning Board said he was amazed that the LWCC board of directors had apparently made no effort to work with residents, or even talk with them. The chairman of the Planning Board said he was troubled by my testimony that the LWCC board had not followed proper procedures in its consideration of the plan to tear down the present Administration Building and build a new one.

The lawyer for Leisure World urged the Planning Board to take a vote at the

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So what happens now? The Planning Board deferred action on the request for approval of what the LWCC board wants. The members of the Planning Board urged the LWCC board to meet and talk with residents, come up with compromises, and show that the LWCC board cares about what residents think. Will the LWCC board be willing to compromise? Will the LWCC board members show respect for residents? We will see.

– Paul M. Bessel

Appreciation

I just want to express my appreciation to the "Leisure World News of Maryland" for its local reporting of subjects of interest and notices of events in Leisure World. I am especially grateful for two recent examples.

The first was published in the Nov. 3 edition and informed the residents about a seminar sponsored by one of the clubs in our community. The topic was "Open Season for Federal Health Plans" and featured a number of health plan representatives. While it was aimed primarily at federal health plan subscribers, there was information of interest to "civilian" retirees, such as AARP legislative information on taxes and financial planning. If the

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In closing, I am amazed how much I rely on our community newspaper. Please keep up the good work!

– Peter La Lena

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Note: A separate petition containing approximately 550 signatures was formally presented to the LW Board of Directors on November 25, 2014. All relevant Petitions and signatures will be presented to the Montgomery County Parks and Planning Commission.

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by Maureen Freeman,
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Revisions to the Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan will be presented at monthly mutual meetings in the coming months.

In response to recommendations made by the Montgomery County Planning Board at a Nov. 30 application hearing for the project, the project's designers have made adjustments to the plan regarding building entrances and traffic flow.

Leisure World management will explain the revisions to the plan and answer residents' questions about the project at mutual meetings scheduled for late January and early February.

Representatives from Leisure World; Stantec, the engineering firm; and Streetsense, the architectural firm, met Dec. 8 with County Planning Board staff to discuss and develop options related to suggestions by the Planning Board on Nov. 30. The group expects to meet as often as needed until plans are finalized satisfactorily.

Planning Board staff, which

comprises professional site planners, engineers, architects and transportation specialists, had recommended the Planning Board approve the site plan at the Nov. 30 hearing.

Project Overview

The site plan is the most recent project to be addressed in Leisure World's Facilities Enhancement Plan (FEP), a series of construction and renovation projects for the community's Trust facilities that originated in 2012.

Completed FEP projects, designed and undertaken since 2014, include construction of the new Clubhouse II fitness center, renovations to the restaurants in Clubhouse I, renovations to the Clubhouse I ballroom and Maryland Room, dredging and landscaping improvements of the golf course irrigation pond, and renovations to the Physical Properties Department customer service area.

The site plan application calls for construction of a two-level building adjacent to Clubhouse I that will provide residential services, additional parking and

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A rendering by Streetsense is included in the Nov. 30 site plan application to the Montgomery County Planning Board. A revised site plan will be sent to the Planning Board for the next application hearing in the spring of 2018.

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pedestrian accessibility to Clubhouse I, further improvements to the Clubhouse I restaurants, a new drop-off and pick-up loop area between the two buildings, and extensive landscaping and tree plantings throughout the site.

In its presentation recommending Planning Board approval of the site plan application, Planning Board staff cited the project's compliance with improved pedestrian and vehicular access and circulation to Clubhouse I, Environmental Site Design stormwater management controls, and the county's International Green Construction Code.

Deferral

The Planning Board voted to defer its decision on the application at the Nov. 30 hearing, with some board members citing concerns about a set of steps included as access to the new building. Plans also called for two ground-level entrances and a ramp.

Eighteen residents testified at the Nov. 30 hearing in opposition to the project, citing environmental, aesthetic and cost concerns as well as the inclusion of steps leading into the proposed new building. Several asserted

that residents have not been sufficiently informed about the project by the LWCC board of directors and management.

The Planning Board expects to reconsider a revised site plan application at a hearing in the spring of 2018.

Take Two

In anticipation of the Board's future consideration of the application and associated hearing, written comments from Leisure World residents should be submitted to Planning Board Chairman Casey Anderson at (mcp-chair@mncppc.org) with a copy sent to Area 2 Lead Reviewer Lori Shirley at (Lori.Shirley@montgomeryplanning.org).

Once the continuance of the public hearing is scheduled, a Planning Board staff report will be posted 10 days before the Planning Board meeting at (montgomeryplanningboard.org). Staff comments will be shared with the applicant and added to the record for the Planning Board's consideration of the application.

For more detailed information and upcoming meetings, contact Nicole Gerke at (301-598-1026) or (ngerke@lwmc.com).

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Date: December 16, 2017 at 9:00:47 AM EST
To: mcp-chair@mncppcorg
Cc: LoriShirley@montgomeryplanning.org

Dear Ms. Anderson:

The LWCC is operating true to form by seeking to turn a substantive question into a purely technical one. Its intent is made obvious in the relevant account provided in the current Leisure World News, which glosses over mass opposition to the administration building project by focusing on structural refinements to the existing plan, to be showcased at future mutual meetings. The presumption is that this sleight - of - hand, combined with ongoing technical coordination with Planning Board staff, will be sufficient to satisfy you and your colleagues.

This model of resident "participation" was previewed at a 6 November meeting called by a BOD member for residents of his mutual. The meeting was not a popular forum but rather an occasion for the member and the LWCC architect to dilate on various features of the existing model. Discussion on building costs and alternatives was brushed aside. Instead, residents were "treated" to lectures on the size of the parking lots and the number of new trees to be planted around the new structure. A resident who had compiled a set of substantive questions was silenced by the BOD member, who had previously ruled out a debate on the project.

I cite this meeting because I believe it is a "best case" prototype for what will occur at the mutual meetings, where building plans, as refined, are likely to be presented as a fait accompli. Assuming residents are actually invited to attend these gatherings, those contesting this format will be silenced or ignored. The LWCC will thereby be able to minimize, neuter, deflect, and fragment mass opposition to the project, while claiming that it itself has satisfied Planning Board concerns about lack of popular participation in the decision - making process.

From LWCC's viewpoint, the most important priority is to avoid a general meeting at which residents could demonstrate the depth and magnitude of their resistance to both the project itself and the high - handed way it has been managed, especially the inattention to realistic costs estimates and the failure to prioritize a new administration building within a comprehensive plan for future community needs.

The immediate question is whether the Planning Board will accept the LWCC's bogus formula or reject it on behalf of an essentially powerless community for whom the Board's disinterested intervention constitutes its last best hope.

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To: Admin JustUs <admin@justus.group>
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Lori Shirley sent an email to many of us on Dec. 14. It begins with the words:

"Hello everyone,

As a result of the Planning Board's deferred action at the November 30, public hearing, the applicant, Leisure World of Maryland Corporation, met(DEC. 8) with Planning Department staff to discuss the next steps with planning of the Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse."

"Before the next Planning Board discussion in Spring 2018, Leisure World of Maryland(the applicant,)has agreed to present revisions to the site plan incorporating Planning Board recommendations at community meetings **for resident review before a future Planning Board meeting this Spring."**

Comments to the Chairman should be relevant to the revised site plan. E-mails and written comments sent to the Chairman and/or me that are **not about the revised site plan, will be forwarded to Nicole Gerke with the Applicant's team.**

"Thank you for your patience as the Applicant's team and the Area 2 Regulatory Team met last Friday, with one of the results of the meeting being the preparation of this statement for public outreach."

The above statements appear quite clear:

1. A Dec. 8, meeting was held between P&P staff & the "Applicant," LWMC
2. Those 2 parties have agreed on necessary changes(recommendations) to the site plan
3. Those 2 parties have agreed that the necessary changes(recommendations)will be presented at community meetings for resident review.

That's it in a nutshell.

- There is no specificity as to what must constitute "community meetings"
- Resident **review**, however, seems quite clear...**review does not mean** approval, concurrence, acceptance, etc. It does not even imply "changing." It is **only** about "reviewing" the proposed changes. Comments sent to P&P about these are fine & the only ones that will be considered germane.

Anything else will be forwarded to the "applicant's" (LWMC) "team representative," Nicole Gerke. Left unsaid is for what purpose?

Lost in this December 8, agreement between P&P and the Applicant(LWMC) is **any mention** of 2 key points raised by 2 of the Commission Board Members.

- P&P Board Member Gerald Cichy said, "What is the justification of a new administration building?...when it appears you are not meeting the need of the residents..."

- P&P Board Member Natali Gonzalez said, "that the Boards legal authority is to see there is a quality of life.."

Then there is also the whole issue of Mr. Anderson's statement made to the residents attending the November 30, meeting that "the Leisure World Board represents you **whether you like** them or not."

Well, Mr. Anderson still does not appear to comprehend the difference between the words "elect" & "select." The Issue is **NOT ABOUT** "liking them." The issue is about a plan submitted to P&P by an HOA Board that has not been directly elected by the Leisure World residents, & is therefore illegally constituted. This has nothing to do with liking them. Liking is irrelevant to the issue. Read the following:

1. WHAT IS THE LEGISLATIVE MEANING OF THE Md. Homeowners Association TERM/WORD: "MEMBER" ?

Section 11B-106-1a of the MD HOA Act states the following:

"A meeting of the members of the homeowners association to elect a governing body of the homeowners association shall be held..."

**2. The Leisure World Community Corporation (A Homeowners Association) Bylaws -
ARTICLE III. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS states:**

Section 1. Directors and Alternates. Each Mutual is entitled to select Directors, qualified under the provisions of Section 2 of this Article, to cast its votes and otherwise represent it on the Board of Directors. Each Mutual may also select Alternate Directors who, in accordance with Section 5 of this Article, may represent the Mutual when its Director is absent. Such selections shall be made in accordance with procedures established by the Mutual. A Mutual may select more than one alternate for each Director; if it does so, it shall specify in writing any conditions governing the service of the alternates, including their order of precedence.

Leisure World is a 50 year old, age restricted community without a process for directly involving the residents in a major expenditure of community funds.

The residents of Leisure World deserve a voice in deciding NOT simply a review!

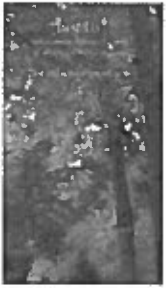
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Albert Einstein – **“We cannot solve our problems with the same level of thinking that created them.”**

Shirley, Lori

From: francoise lesage <fplb@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 16, 2017 12:00 PM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: LW admin bldg

Dear Madam,

I reside here at LW and appreciate the intent of the LW officers to demolish the old admin. bldg and replace it with new and up to date construction. There are a few persons that are led by a certain miscreant and would love to disapprove of all matters pertaining to running a large institution. As a modern and practical person, I want to advise you that it is a good idea for many reasons. I see no reason to retain the old and out of date admin. bldg. It is not up to codes and while it was modern in the late 60's it is no longer. It would be impossible and cost may be more to enlarge it. I don't need to go any further but I could list a lot of conditions which need to be upgraded at a big cost. Building a new admin. bldg is so appropriate for potential buyers, for the staff and for us. I believe it was planned for several years and many residents would agree - some have lost their faculties, some are not aware etc...and therefore their voices are not heard unless 'stolen'.

A NEW ADMIN BLDG IS APPROPRIATE AND NECESSARY FOR THIS COMMUNITY and a good point of competition with other similar places. A buyer sees this place before anything else. Those that disagree are trouble makers and work hard at getting older ladies to sign petition. I call these signatures a stolen non-official voice. Those like me, are happy to have the grass cut and other amenities and they do not complain, some not sure residing here, are signing something they know very little about. I wish they'd think or were able to and realize that the 21st century is here to stay and get more and more technology for the good of the community.

I don't want to take more of your time and send my thanks for your hard work. F.Lesage (retired R.N.)

Shirley, Lori

From: David Katz <katz@msu.edu>
Sent: Saturday, December 16, 2017 2:32 PM
To: mcp-chair@mncppcorg
Cc: Shirley, Lori
Subject: LW building dispute

TO: Casey Anderson, MCP Chair

FROM: David Katz, LW resident, 3573 S. Leisure World Blvd.

The LWCC is operating true to form by seeking to turn a substantive question into a purely technical one. Its intent is made obvious in the relevant account in the current Leisure World News, which glosses over mass opposition to the administration building project by focusing on structural refinements to the existing plan, to be showcased at future mutual meetings. The LWCC's presumption is that this sleight - of - hand, combined with ongoing coordination with Planning Board staff, will be sufficient to satisfy you and your colleagues.

This model of resident "participation" was previewed at a 6 November meeting called by a BOD member for residents of his mutual. The meeting carefully designed to preclude open discussion and instead provided an opportunity for the BOD member and the LWCC architect to dilate on various features of the existing model. Discussion on building costs and alternatives was brushed aside. Instead, residents were "treated" to lectures on the size of the parking lots and the number of new trees to be planted around the new structure. A resident who had compiled a set of substantive questions was silenced by the BOD member, who had previously ruled out a debate on the project.

I cite this meeting because I believe it is a "best case" prototype for what will occur at the mutual meetings, where building plans are likely to be presented as a fait accompli. Assuming residents are actually invited to attend these gatherings, those contesting this format will be silenced or ignored. The LWCC will thereby be able to minimize, neuter, deflect, and fragment mass opposition to the project, even while claiming that it has satisfied Planning Board concerns about consulting the community.

From LWCC's viewpoint, the most important priority is to avoid a general meeting at which residents could demonstrate the depth and magnitude of their resistance to both the project itself and the high - handed way it has been managed, especially the inattention to realistic costs estimates and the failure to prioritize a new building within a comprehensive plan for future community needs.

The immediate question is whether the Planning Board will accept the LWCC's bogus strategy or reject it on behalf of an essentially powerless community for whom the Board's disinterested intervention constitutes its last best hope.

Shirley, Lori

From: David Frager <davidfrager@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 16, 2017 3:31 PM
To: Shirley, Lori; Bruce MacDonald (MR_eieio@hotmail.com); Kevin Flannery; Maureen Freeman; LW Board of Directors; MCP-Chair
Cc: Nicole Gerke; Scott Wallace (swallace@linowes-law.com); Thomas Snyder
Subject: Re: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120

PLEASE READ THIS E-MAIL. IT'S NOT LIKE ANY OTHER DEALING WITH THE CONTROVERSY OVER THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. HOPEFULLY IT WILL REACH EVERY MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD.

First, two things you should know. My name is David Frager and I am currently the Chair of the Board of the Leisure World Community Corporation. The governing documents state that I am the authorized representative of that body. Second, I have always supported an invasive analysis of the current Administration Building. While it is my duty to represent the Board's position, I certainly have my own opinion of what we should have done.

The major factor that is rarely discussed is the requirements for any new structure or renovation. Ten years ago I joined our Community Planning Advisory Committee and participated in the research that identified the space requirements of our community and determined that the existing facilities were inadequate in terms of both individual space and work flow. Advisory Committees participated and we had a professional architectural firm consolidate requirements and produce a baseline product. This is not a capricious or arbitrary process easily duplicated around a lunch table and recorded on the back of an envelope. It is the foundation of any sound building program.

Our building and renovation program proceeded on many levels. Clubhouse II provided athletic and meeting facilities including a new fitness center. Clubhouse I has been evolving to provide classroom and meeting facilities, a multi-purpose ballroom, and several dining rooms - as well as the availability of the ballroom for large receptions and meal service for 200 diners. These investments have been completed recently. These improvements were proposed and reviewed by our Advisory Committees, at open, public meetings.

Many options were proposed before the current proposal for the Administration Building - which really should have been named the "Resident Services Building" - was adopted 5 years ago. When you examine the capabilities included in this proposed building - which parallels the parking lot, you find a post office and bank, and more importantly for all residents that do not live in high rises with an in-house administrative and engineering staff, mutual secretaries who perform important services for about 60% of our residents. Skilled architectural and engineering support was acquired in the preparation of the alternatives. Both Committee meetings and Board meetings recorded discussions of the characteristics of the proposals. Board meetings were recorded and presented twice over the Leisure World channels for residents to observe.

I also attended the in-house Planning Committee review this year. While most complaints dealt with the costs, environmental concerns, and plans for independent oversight, I heard very little discussion of the underlying requirements or criticisms of the professionalism of the architectural, engineering, and design contractors. The proposed cost of the package is substantial, but it does comprise three projects: completing the restaurant renovations in Clubhouse I, building a new "Resident Services Building," and changing the traffic and parking facilities to improve access. These projects will proceed in concert with the availability of funds - there are no plans to borrow funds, or use any funds other than the Resales fund which increases every time there is a closing on a residence.

I would strongly ask the Planning Commission to consider all the efforts taken in the past to identify requirements and develop and evaluate professional efforts that went into the plans submitted. No doubt there are flaws which management and the contractors need to rectify before the next hearing. Please consider that a great deal of volunteer time and management and professional time and money are invested in the current proposal. This proposal responds to a considered effort to identify requirements - which ought to be the baseline of any proposal.

Shirley, Lori

From: Norman Holly <amtak518@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 16, 2017 6:31 PM
To: Shirley, Lori; MR_eieio@hotmail.com; cloudy1220@aol.com; onomistee@aol.com; 'John Stewart'; monet_2@comcast.net; nataliebrodsky@hotmail.com; admin@justus.group; suetigerpaws@sbcglobal.net; 'Marybeth Ardike'; Findley, Steve; Axler, Ed; Sharma, Atul; Schwiesow, Bridget; 'Thomas Snyder'; Butler, Patrick; board@lwmc.com; MCP-Chair; Shirley, Lori; MR_eieio@hotmail.com; cloudy1220@aol.com; onomistee@aol.com; 'John Stewart'; monet_2@comcast.net; nataliebrodsky@hotmail.com; admin@justus.group; suetigerpaws@sbcglobal.net; 'Marybeth Ardike'; ngerke@lwmc.com; swallace@linowes-law.com; Garcia, Joyce; Findley, Steve; Axler, Ed; Sharma, Atul; Schwiesow, Bridget; 'Thomas Snyder'; Butler, Patrick; board@lwmc.com; MCP-Chair
Subject: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse 1 Site Plan No. 820170120 - statement on the Planning Board's deferral on 11.30.17

I wish to endorse Paul Bessel's email message to the addressees. We residents of Leisure World who objected to the proposed administration building as underfunded, inappropriate and wrongful use of residents' funds have endeavored to meet with the Leisure World Board as directed by Montgomery County Park and Planning Commission; but our attempts have been rejected, and instead the Board met only in secret to devise minor redesign of the project – without contacting residents – knowing that it is really the entire project, intent and wasteful misuse of funds that is objectionable. They now will try to obtain approval from Park and Planning as a fait accompli.

In short, the bad faith of which we complained in Park and Planning Commission session has continued unabated toward a conclusion to which your Commission objected. The contact you advised as conditional for approving this project has *not* occurred; indeed, it has been purposely and deceitfully avoided. Since your stipulation was not met, we ask that you disapprove any new construction of an administration building in Leisure World.

Norman Holly, resident
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Silver Spring, MD 20906
Telephone 301-438-0777
amtak518@gmail.com

Shirley, Lori

From: peggy salazar <psalazar1952@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, December 17, 2017 11:39 AM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Admin Building in Leisure World

I am writing to let you know that my husband and I are very much in favor of the new administration building construction project in Leisure World. We've lived in LW for 8 years - formally residents of Silver Spring in 4 Corners.

Please disregard the rantings and ravings of a small group of nay-sayers in LW who claim to speak for all of us. There are over 8,000 of us living in LW and yet this small, vocal group pretends to be representatives for us all - not true. They are self-appointed and try to convince outsiders that they are the "voice of the people". They have bucked every project that LW has proposed over the years and claim that LW management does nothing to involve the community as stakeholders. It's quite the opposite. LW management has bent over backwards to involve us in every step of the process, for this project and others.

There is an overwhelming need to build a safer, more accessible admin building for LW residents. Access to the building is very problematic (uphill, slanted parking lot to the door, for example) and the building itself is out-of-date structurally and too small for its needs. It also provides very little space for employees. They are crammed into their booths like mice in a mini-maze. Their working environment is claustrophobic and unhealthy.

As you make your final decision, please remember that there is indeed a "silent majority" of LW residents who are very interested in seeing this project through to the end. It's very much needed to keep our community viable, attractive and up-to-date.

Peggy Salazar

Retired Principal, Montgomery County Public Schools

President, Mutual 10, Leisure World

LeRoy Salazar

Retired Detective, Montgomery County Police

Shirley, Lori

From: Bruce <mr_eieio@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 17, 2017 11:40 PM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Re: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120 - follow-up to our phone conversation yesterday afternoon

Lori,
FYI I will not be able to come by until after you return.
Bruce

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 13, 2017, at 3:48 PM, Shirley, Lori <lori.shirley@montgomeryplanning.org> wrote:

Bruce,

Earlier today the two Leisure World documents that you dropped off yesterday were scanned and saved as pdfs. I now have these pdfs stored in my computer. This is just to let you know that instead of having these printed like I suggested to you, I had these scanned by another person in the Department and the quality is ready for storage in DAIC, if we decide to put these there. If you would like to come by the office sometime tomorrow or Friday to pick these up, that would be terrific. As a reminder, I will be on leave starting 12.18.17 (this Monday) and will be back in the office on 1.2.18. If you can do that before I go on leave, that would be best. Please let me know if this works on your end. Thanks.

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From: Shirley, Lori
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2017 10:23 AM
To: Bruce MacDonald (MR_eieio@hotmail.com) <MR_eieio@hotmail.com>
Subject: Leisure World Administration Building and Clubhouse I Site Plan No. 820170120 - follow-up to our phone conversation yesterday afternoon

Good morning Bruce,

Your contact information is now in my Outlook address book. Thank you for calling me yesterday so we could discuss the anticipated revised plans the Applicant's team will be preparing. As I mentioned yesterday, we are finalizing a statement about the process in the continuance of the hearing. It should be available later today, and when it is available, I will let you know.

Thanks again for calling.

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Shirley, Lori

From: Barbara Braswell <bjbraswell@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 5:29 AM
To: Shirley, Lori
Cc: MCP-Chair
Subject: "Technical Support" needed--November 30 Planning Board meeting, Agenda Item #5

Dear Ms. Shirley,

I very much appreciate the opportunity to review an online video of the proceedings of November 30, 2017. However, I am unable to use the Fast Forward and Rewind functions. Are these functions available for this video? Does it matter which media player I'm using?

Thank you in advance for any help and advice you can provide.

Barbara Braswell (bjbraswell@comcast.net)

Shirley, Lori

From: Barbara Braswell <bjbraswell@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, December 18, 2017 11:54 AM
To: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Re: "Technical Support" needed--November 30 Planning Board meeting, Agenda Item # 5

Thank you very much for the information.

Barbara Braswell

On 12/18/2017 11:08 AM, Shirley, Lori wrote:

> Hello Ms. Braswell,
> Please contact Gary Goodwin of the Department's IT staff as shown on the Planning Board page where you located the video. Look on the right side of the page and there is information as to how to contact Gary. You may have to adjust your browser.
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Shirley, Lori

From: john tremaine <jwtremaine99@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, December 22, 2017 10:03 AM
To: MCP-Chair
Cc: Shirley, Lori
Subject: Construct The New Administration Building At No Cost to Leisure World

Casey Anderson - Planning Board Chairman

Some time ago a proposal to build an additional condominium building on a small part of the golf course at the east end of Gleneagles Drive was not found acceptable by the community. This was in spite of the fact that the contractor had agreed to give Leisure World seven million dollars for the privilege of being allowed to build it. If this additional condominium were allowed now to be constructed, the seven million dollars would pay for the new administration building. In addition, the monthly fees paid by the new condominium residents would improve permanently the ongoing financial basis of Leisure World and the influx of such new residents would be a shot-of-adrenalin to the facilities and restaurants of the community. I suggest, therefore, that a proposal be made to the Leisure World Board of Directors that constructing the previously contemplated condominium building be revived in light of the desired construction of a new administration building.

John Tremaine - Resident

Shirley, Lori

From: JustUs admin <admin@justus.group>
Sent: Friday, December 29, 2017 11:14 AM
To: JustUs; LW Green; LW Dogs; lwbod@justus.group; mncpcc@justus.group; Montgomery County Council; press and tv media
Subject: Fwd: HOPE FOR CHANGE...?? by Bob Ardike

It's all a set up and hoax on the Leisure World residents

slk

From: Bob Ardike <marybeth.bob@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Dec 29, 2017 at 11:04 AM
Subject: HOPE FOR CHANGE...?? by Bob Ardike
To: Admin JustUs <admin@justus.group>

The December 13, 2017, Montgomery Planning Board **"Update on Leisure World and Administration and Clubhouse I Site Update,"** appears to make its position clear as to what it expects. What it (Montgomery Planning Board) expects is:

1. revisions to the site plan (removal of stairs, et al) made apparent at the Nov. 30, 2017 meeting
2. revisions presented at Leisure World community meetings **for resident review...before...future...meeting this spring.**

So! Here, below, is their statement..

"Before the next Planning Board discussion in Spring 2018, Leisure World of Maryland has agreed to present revisions to the site plan incorporating Planning Board recommendations at community meetings for resident review before a future Planning Board meeting this Spring."

The only thing left unclear is what does **...for resident review** mean? Taken literally it means "for comments." **Nothing** about what is stated implies "approval, having a study to determine renovation vs construction & demolition or conducting a referendum to determine community sentiment.

The November 30, meeting gave some hope the Planning Board would consider the "bigger picture" ...that actual Leisure World community sentiment for this effort had been ignored...meaning that the community was solely being informed about WHAT had been decided, NOT about whether it should be done.

This reminded me of a statement in the Preface of a book my wife, Marybeth, is reading. She pointed it out to me. She said, "Remind you of anything?" The name of the book is "Miller's Valley." The author is Anna Quindlen. It was written in 2016....Here is the paragraph. Just change a word or two & welcome to the world of Leisure World...😏 Bob Ardike

It was a put-up job, and we all knew it by then. The government people had hearings all spring to solicit the views of residents on their plans. That's what they called it, soliciting views, but every last person in Miller's Valley knew that that just meant standing behind the microphones set up in the aisle of the middle school, and then finding out afterward that the government people would do what they planned to do anyhow. Everybody was just going through the motions. That's what people do. They decide what they want and then they try to make you believe you want it, too.

slkatzman

President,

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Albert Einstein – "We cannot solve our problems with the same level of thinking that created them."

Shirley, Lori

From: Deawill <deawill@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, December 29, 2017 1:13 PM
To: MCP-Chair
Cc: Shirley, Lori
Subject: New Administration Building in Leisure World of Maryland

Dear Sir,

I would like to let you know that I wish to have the new Admin building. I have been visiting Leisure World since my mother's friend moved here in 1972. It was a very small place then. There were maybe 2000 people. Except for the Greens, we had no highrises. We had foxes living in the brush on the golf course where the three newest highrises stand now.

The current administration building houses the bank, the post office and all of the administration offices. They have a bunch of really small cubes for the staff. It does not have much ventilation and it has asbestos. The community is now 8000 plus residents, necessitating more administrative staff. We need proper accommodations for our workers.

We also need closer access from the parking lot to the Admin building and the Clubhouse. Right now we have a rectangular parking lot. From the bottom of the parking lot to the Admin building is one-fourth of a mile. It is too far for our current population. We have people here, who live independently in their late 80's, 90's and some into their 100's. Many of them are physically and mentally well, and they wish to participate in the events that are available in the Clubhouse. It is tough on them to have to walk so far with canes and walkers and wheelchairs.

We need the Administration building moved to the lower end of the parking lot so that residents can park in a circular fashion around each building. They would not have such a long walk to either building. I believe this to be in the best interests of all our residents.

You can't blame them for being afraid of the expenditure. The great recession was terrifying to many of us. But we do have the money for this project. Even if it goes over budget, which these projects usually do, our sales prices for our units are going up and the amount collected for community improvements will also go up.

I believe the people who are opposed to the new building are under the mistaken impression that the money set aside for the project would be returned either to them or to their mutual. This money is for the community areas of Leisure World and cannot be used for any other purpose. We have a group here called the Just Us group, headed by Cheryl Katzman, who is implying this to anyone who will listen. When I remonstrated with her at an executive board meeting, she tried to get me kicked off my board. I don't think this woman understands the democratic process. Implicitly promising money to elderly people, who may be genuinely afraid of outliving their money is unethical.

Please take my opinion into consideration when you are making your decision.

Thank you,

Deirdre A Williams
Secretary - Mutual 19A Building 83
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Shirley, Lori

From: Beth Leanza <bethlea12020@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 30, 2017 6:58 PM
To: MCP-Chair; Shirley, Lori
Subject: Leisure World Site Plan

I am in favor of Leisure World going ahead with their Site Plan to build a new Administration Building,

- update the parking lot,
- raze the current Administration Building
- improve the current Clubhouse I
- provide more parking nearer to Clubhouse I with a majority of it being designated for handicapped parking.

I have been and still am on an Advisory Committee (The Education & Recreation Advisory Committee) for the past 7 years. We look at and advise on matters concerning improvements to the current Clubhouses. Other Advisory committees look at other aspects.

We have been looking at these plans for years - we have advised the LW Board of Directors to approve going forward.

We are representatives appointed by our own mutual (common ownership community). We report back to our board.

We only can "advise" - but when the LW Board of Directors listens to us, they can make the final decisions.

I believe many people misinterpret the amount to be spent.

Yes, \$7.2 million is a lot of money.

But there are 5660 units in Leisure World. That means the new plans would cost each unit \$1272.00 each.

Also, the money is coming out of a fund called the Re-sale fund.

When a unit in Leisure World is sold, 2% of the sale price is put into the Re-sale fund.

Therefore, owners of units in Leisure World have already paid into the fund.

They will not be asked to pay any more toward this new Administration building or the improvements to Clubhouse I, or the parking lot etc.

Thank you for listening.

Beth (Elizabeth Jane) Leanza

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Beth Leanza

Mutual 14

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Blaise Pascal:

"People never do evil so completely and so cheerfully as when they do it with a religious conviction"