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BUDGET HEARING

Comments Center on 10% Police Salary Rise, Day Care Program

by Al Skolnik

A greater-than-usual number of persons attended this year's public hearing on the city budget on Monday night. Two issues seemed to be largely responsible for the attendance of more than 40 persons—the proposed 10 percent increase in police officer salaries and a proposal for establishment of a day care program at the Ridge Road Recreation Center.

Because of the extended discussion on these two topics, the council was unable to complete its review of the budget and scheduled a continuation hearing for Tuesday, May 22.

Police Salaries

City manager James Giese's proposed budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973 calls for a 10 percent increase in policemen's salaries and a 5 percent increase in the salaries of police clerks and other city employees. This increase was recommended in order for police salaries to be competitive with those in other areas, Giese said. He noted that the county had recently increased police salaries by 10 percent and that Greenbelt will be still behind the county by \$500 even after a 10% increase.

Mayor Dick Pilski and some members of the audience were not sure that the comparison with the county or the District of Columbia was appropriate, noting that there were certain advantages in working in Greenbelt, such as less hazardous conditions. The thinking was that a more appropriate comparison might be with nearby municipalities, and here, Pilski said, Greenbelt salaries were more competitive.

But what bothered Pilski and other council members most was the differential increase in salaries recommended by Giese and whether this would be equitable. "What would be the effect on morale of other city employees?" was asked. Someone pointed out that what the city is really asking for is a reclassification or upgrading of policemen's jobs and that the extra 5% increase should be so termed rather than a "cost-of-living" raise.

Arguing on behalf of the 10% increase were several members of the audience, who pointed out the adverse effects of letting Greenbelt salaries fall behind — loss of qualified personnel to other jurisdictions and difficulty of attracting new policemen.

Day Care Center

Giese's budget contains no recommendation for a day care center, but because of citizen interest expressed in using the Ridge Road Center to house such a center, the city staff had prepared several memos relating to the problems and costs involved.

Of concern to councilmen was the extent to which such a day-care center might need to be subsidized by the city. Proponents of the day care center, led by Anne Ewell and Robert Spear, felt that

such an operation would be self-supporting for a program covering 40 children at a tuition fee of \$119 a month per child. City administrative assistant Dennis E. Pienak produced a budget that would require a monthly fee of \$213. After much discussion over the applicability of certain items in the city's budget, it was generally recognized that the true figure would be somewhere in between. In any event, concern was expressed that the project could not be self-supporting without some public contribution toward the payment of fees.

Another concern of council was that the day care center would be using space that was now used by recreation programs such as the pre-teen age drop-in, model building, dog obedience, yoga, naturecraft, etc. Giese said that it is very difficult to run a day care center jointly with other programs. "A shared facility is not a happy situation," he said. Many of the programs would have to be moved over to a crowded Youth Center.

Council member Elizabeth Maffay also wondered whether the use of Ridge Road Center for a day care center could be justified to the taxpayer, when it was understood at the time of the purchase of the building that it would be used for recreation purposes. She thought a referendum should be had before council takes any action. This idea was endorsed by several people in the audience.

Another series of arguments made against the day care center concerned the concept of a day care center, whether it was beneficial to children, and whether it should be limited to just the use of mothers who had to work or made available to all. A question was raised whether the city is the proper vehicle for sponsoring such a project, especially when it might provide competition for other nearby privately-run centers.

Council member Rhea Cohen said that the sponsorship of a day care center was not incompatible with city goals and that there was a great need for such a center.

The general feeling of council was that many questions remained to be answered, and that any action at this time would be premature. One of these unanswered questions would be whether the day care center would be compatible with the open space and recreational use of the site as prescribed.

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WHAT GOES ON

Fri., May 18 7-9 p.m. Sat. & Sun, May 19, 20, 1-5 p.m. Adult and Children's Craft Show, Ridge Road Center

Sat., May 19, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oakcrest PTA carnival

Tues., May 22, 8 p.m. City Budget Hearing, Municipal Bldg. 8 p.m. Greenbelt CARES Meeting, Municipal Building

Wed., May 23, 8:30 p.m. Greenbelt & SHL Democratic Clubs SHL Community House

Thurs., May 24, 7:30 p.m. Greenbelt Area Council of GCS, Greenbelt Library

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, MAY 21, 1973 8:00 P.M.

I ORGANIZATION

- 1 Call to Order
- 2 Roll Call
- 3 Meditation
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4 Minutes of Meetings
- 5 Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II COMMUNICATIONS

- 6 Petitions and Requests
- 7 Administrative Reports
- 8 Committee Reports - PRAB Report #1-73, FY 1973/74 Budget Recommendations

III OLD BUSINESS

- 9 An Ordinance to Appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Fund the Sum of \$3,500 to Reimburse the General Fund for Expenditures Incurred and Obligated for the Springhill Lake Recreation Center for the FY ending June 30, 1973. Second Reading

IV NEW BUSINESS

- 10 Charter Amendment Resolution to Amend Section (c), Title "Adoption" of Section 40-50, Title "Council Action on Budget", to Provide that Council Shall Adopt the Budget on or Before the Twentieth Day of June of the Fiscal Year Currently Ending. First Reading
- 11 Charter Amendment Resolution to Amend Section 40-4, Title "Creation; Qualifications; Compensation" to Provide a Salary of \$2400 per Annum for the Mayor and \$2,000 per Annum for Each of the Other Members of Council - First Reading
- 12 An Ordinance to Authorize and Empower the City of Greenbelt to Issue a Tax Anticipation Note in the Amount of \$50,000 in Anticipation of the Receipt of General Taxes and Other Revenues, Directing that the Proceeds Shall be Used for General Fund Operating Expenses Heretofore Authorized; and Providing for the Sale of Said Note by Private Negotiation to the Suburban Trust Company - First Reading
- 13 An Ordinance Authorizing the Improvement of the Greenbelt Center Mall - First Reading
- 14 An Ordinance to Provide a Credit for Certain Renters by Reason of Age and Income - First Reading
- 15 Carnival Regulations
- 16 Amendments to City Charter Relating to Elections
- 17 Tax Credit for Retired and Totally Disabled Renters

V MISCELLANEOUS

Parkland, Wing on City Bldg. Proposed as City Improvements

by Al Skolnik

An ambitious land acquisition program has been outlined by city manager James K. Giese in connection with his proposal for expenditures under the Capital Improvement Fund which had been established by the \$950,000 bond issue of 1969.

Giese cautioned that many of his recommendations are dependent upon the receipt of open space funds from the State of Maryland to supplement the bond issue money. If the grant money is not forthcoming to the extent expected, then the city will have to consider the issuance of additional bonds, or elimination or delay of the projects.

Giese noted that even if the city fails to receive additional grant moneys, it will have realized far more in value than the \$950,000 of bonds sold. Already the city has completed acquisitions or projects with a total value of \$875,000, and a balance of \$561,192 as of June 30, 1973 remains unexpended.

The land acquisition items proposed, with the estimated cost to the city after deducting grant money or donations from other sources, are given below.

Smith & Ewing Parkland

(1) Part of Smith & Ewing tract (\$10,154) — Proposed for acquisition are 31 acres located adjacent to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior high school. This is the remaining acreage of the land originally zoned for single family homes in the Smith-Ewing tract and is adjacent to the Greenbriar and Glen Ora apartment developments. About 7½ acres would be purchased out of money paid by the Greenbriar developer and being held by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission as a fee in lieu of dedication of park land (\$39,846) and a cash contribution pledged by the Greenbriar developer for an amount equal to the cost of five acres of land.

Parcel 1 Parkland

(2) Part of parcel 1 (\$150,000) — Proposed for acquisition are up to 75 acres of parkland in the northeast corner of the city adjacent to the land recently given to the city by the Federal Government. It is proposed to develop this park as a wilderness park. The old landfill would be used for athletic fields. A small picnic area would be established, also a small lake or

With Cousteau In The Southern Atlantic

Locke Stuart of Goddard Space Flight Center will lecture and show slides from his month-long trip aboard Captain Cousteau's ship "Calypso" at the Mishkan Torah Synagogue (Jewish Community Center, at Westway and Ridge) on Thursday, May 24. The talk will begin at 8:30 and will be preceded by a half-hour social meeting. Entrance is free.

Stuart joined the "Calypso" last November in order to arrange a radio link between the ship and NASA satellites. While he was aboard, the ship cruised along the shores of Argentina and its crew studied seals, cormorants, right whales, penguins and other marine life.

"Miss Greenbelt" 1973

Girls of Greenbelt, between the ages of 15-19, single and never married, are reminded to plan now for entering the "Miss Greenbelt" pageant 1973. Entries will be limited to the first 15 girls. The meeting will be held in the library conference room, on May 30, at 7:30 p.m. Entrants should bring with them, one of their parents, a recent photograph, and two letters of recommendation, (from an adult, doctor, teacher, etc.).

The 1973 "Miss Greenbelt", or her runner-up, will reign for a year, representing and speaking for the youth of Greenbelt at Greenbelt Goldiggers represented parades, City dedication ceremonies, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, etc.

If you cannot attend the meeting, contact Anna Burchick, chairman, 474-6473 or Linda Dobbin, co-chairman, 345-1706.

pond in the stream valley.

Parcel 15 Parkland

(3) Part of Parcel 15 (\$87,500) — Proposed for acquisition is all the vacant land adjacent to Charles-towne Village and the Capital Beltway except for a 10-acre tract at Greenbelt Road. These 19 acres would be added to the Lake Park and would serve as a buffer between existing housing and the Beltway. A large portion of it would be suitable for athletic fields.

Other Projects

In addition to land acquisitions, the Capital Improvement Fund budget proposes expenditures of \$125,000 for the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, \$150,000 for a Municipal Building addition, and \$70,000 for park development.

The Springhill Lake Recreation Center schedules calls for completion by the fall of 1974 of a building containing a gym, youth lounge-game room and an exercise or multi-purpose room. The adjacent golf course clubhouse would be used for the conduct of recreation classes.

The proposed addition to the Municipal Building would provide approximately 3,500 square feet of additional space for expansion, in particular of the police department. The addition would probably be two stories and located to the rear of the existing building. A new entrance way lobby would connect the new addition to the main building. Time schedule is to complete plans by this fall, bid the job next winter, and open the building by 1975.

The park development plan proposes the undertaking of three projects: (1) addition of four tennis courts to the existing four at Braden Field and lighting of all the courts; (2) construction of combined picnic shelter, comfort station, and concession stand at Greenbelt Lake Park; and (3) development of parcel 7, including a ball field, playground, and multi-purpose court. The project would also include landscaping, the development of some pathways, and the piping of the existing storm drainage channel.

Center Mall Improvement

Completing a run-down of all capital expenditures for 1973-74, Giese described three other budgets. The first, dealing with the center mall improvement, calls for an expenditure of \$60,000, to be financed by the sale of bonds or notes. Repayment of the debt is to be from the collection of a special tax levied upon the properties within a special taxing district consisting of the properties within the commercial center. The taxes will be levied and collected over a ten-year period. Initial contracts for the project are expected to be let in June; the city will serve as general contractor and perform some of the work itself in an effort to hold costs down.

A second item is a special assessment construction budget of \$50,000 for Ridge Road construction from Ivy Lane to the first entrance to Lakeside North apartments. It is proposed that the street be constructed to city standards at a 26-foot width, with curbs and gutters and related storm drainage structures. The project would be financed by the sale of bonds or notes. Repayment of the bonds or notes shall be from the collection of a special assessment levied upon the benefiting property and payable over a period of ten years.

The final budget is for widening of Westway opposite the Jewish Community Center. This project, which would also be financed from the sale of bonds or notes, would be repaid through a special assessment levied against the JCC, payable over a 15-year period. This \$8,000 item would include widening the street by six feet, and construction of a concrete curb and gutter, a concrete driveway entrance, and a concrete sidewalk.

Notice of Public Hearing

The Public Hearing on the City of Greenbelt's Proposed Budgets Fiscal Year 1973-74 has been continued to

Tuesday, May 22, 1973 at 8:00 p.m.

at the Municipal Building,

25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Md.

All persons wishing to appear before the Council will be heard

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Presents Cost Figures

To the Editor:

This letter is submitted on the subject of the GHI heating system and its cost of operation.

Yes, our heating system is of a poor design and in a state of disrepair at the present time! And, when compared to other forms of heat supply - it is the most costly of all that have been investigated! So let's compare costs:

Due to steam leaks and the damage caused to the structure of a unit, our heating bill and associated repair costs come to \$465. per member per year - or \$38.75 per month per member on an overall average.

If we were to install electric heat, we would have to completely insulate the homes. And, after insulating the homes, the cost of electric heat would be \$300. per member per year - or \$25 per month per member on an overall average.

If we were to revise our heating system to a building or a court system using hot water, the cost of hot water heat would be \$240 per member per year - or \$20 per month per member on an overall average.

If we were to install oil heat where each unit is on an individual system that heats only the member's unit and is independently controlled, 500 gallons of fuel oil per year would be required. At a cost of \$144 per gallon, the cost would be \$72. - but fuel oil has gone up! So, let's figure costs on a basis of \$.216 per gallon. On this last basis, the cost would be \$108 per member per year - or \$9 per month per member on an overall average. Also, no further insulation of the houses would be required - and the figures are from a local supplier of heating oil and based on his customers demands for an uninsulated home of 1,000 sq. feet of floor area or less!

As you can see, any of the three options would reduce our heating costs. Not only that, we would eliminate the repairs caused by steam leaking into our structures and causing damage.

But, with a hot water system we would have to still maintain, although not such an extensive one - a system of pipe lines. With either electric heat or individual oil heat, these costs would be eliminated!

In a minority report - as a member of the TAA Sub-Committee - I have recommended to the President of GHI and also to the Chairman of the TAA Sub-Committee that the members be given the opportunity to choose between electric heat or individual oil heat according to their desires. This recommendation is based upon our past experiences with our present heating systems and members ability to pay for heating.

A second subject that was discussed painting . . . and the quality of paint furnished by GHI.

Regarding the trim paint program - for 1973 it was originally recommended that the sum of \$60,000 be spent on this program. When questioned at the budget meeting, Mr. Breashears said some 300 houses would be painted under this program. This figures out at \$200.00 per house - or double the figure you can hire a painter to completely paint your house for! However, the figure has been reduced to \$30,000 per year for five years or a total cost of \$150,000 to paint the 1,600 units - or at a cost of \$93.75 per house! This is still far too much money just for trim paint when you consider that for only \$6.25 more you can get an end unit completely painted.

Regarding the quality of paint furnished by GHI - the experiences of many members speaks for

themselves! It is a well - known fact that the paint furnished for the painting of the shingles of the frame homes fades badly within a year and also peels badly.

It is the quality of the paint that determines how fast it fades - and a good quality of paint will last for 5 to 10 years without losing its lustre! Both Sherman-Williams and Pittsburg Paints have a painting system - primer and finish coat - that will last at least 10 years when properly applied to shingles.

It is the preparation of the surface - among other things - that determines whether or not it peels. If the surface is properly prepared the paint will not peel within ten years provided the right type of paint has been used. However, when the wrong type of paint is furnished, peeling can take place within a year.

Now, when a member takes the time to properly prepare the surface, takes the time to properly prime the surface, and then has the paint fade and peel within a year on a wall that has no steam leaks in the heat pipes. . . . you can only say that improper paint was used. (You will note also that GHI recommends that the entire building be repainted at the same time or otherwise when portions of the building are painted at various times that the paint will not match. This is only due to a poor quality paint being furnished!)

Yes, I still contend that "the maintenance of our heating plant and repair of our homes leaves much to be desired." This is due to the cost of operation and the quality of work performed.

Ben A. Hogensen

Day Care Center Problems

To the Editor:

Coming home from the May 7th Council meeting I realized that the problem of day care for 3 to 6 year-olds is a much more complex one than I had anticipated; a problem that will require some hard thinking from all concerned.

As a result I am not able to come up with a neat analysis and solution, but rather with (possibly rambling) thoughts, questions and a few suggestions.

As a starter: let us assume that there are sufficient 3 to 6 year-olds in town who need day care. A very first question is: is a day care center the best solution? From the days when I was involved in nursery schools, I remember the professional dictum that 2½ to 3 hours per day was about all that 3 and 4 year-olds could take. The suggested center would bring 40 youngsters together and be open from 6:30 a.m. till, I believe, 6 p.m. or so.

I can see a much healthier alternative in bringing together those mothers who want to stay home with their children and who might want the companionship and extra income that a "day care child" might bring. I disagree from experience with the statements made yesterday evening from the audience that private babysitters are unqualified and give poor care. However, I can see that there is room for improvement: I'm thinking of a possible central screening point (outside ads and bulletin boards) where care seeker and care giver can meet, can be paired and where emergency cases (such as sick sitters) can be handled. The newly funded "Greenbelt CARES" could possibly provide such a central point.

The mentioning of "Greenbelt CARES" brings me to another angle. Mothers who are looking for day care can roughly be divided into two (somewhat overlapping) categories: the "financial" group

Folk Musical

"Life", a folk-rock musical by Otis Skillings will be performed by the youth group of Grace Baptist Church, Bowie, Saturday night, May 19, at 8:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Baptist Church.

A cast of 45 teen-agers performs in the musical based on the words of Christ, "I am come that they might have life, and have it more abundantly."

The group is accompanied by guitars, drums, trumpets, trombones and piano.

"Life" uses contemporary language and music, along with lighting and choreography to speak to today's teen-agers. The public is invited to attend.

and the "psychological" group. The "financial" category consists of those where the family or single parent (who may be the father) is not able to make ends meet and where full time work is a financial necessity. To the second category belong all other mothers; those who desire day care for their youngsters in order to either further a blossoming career, pursue an academic or other education, participate in political and/or social volunteer work and so on. It is with respect to the latter group that I feel that Greenbelt CARES might fulfill a most useful service. Sympathetic professional counseling could open up eyes for new possibilities, such as part-time schooling, (possibly during evening hours), part-time work, children exchanges and what have you. By the way: nursery schools exist for 3 and 4 year olds, public kindergarten for 5 year olds (even though on a part time basis).

As to the former group: the "financial" group: it is here that I can see the greatest need for city help. This still does not imply need for a center; it could be as well within the framework of private-homecare, watched over by Greenbelt CARES, but possibly with city financial assistance. There are quite a few possibilities here: maybe some mothers who would love to stay home could be (partly) city-paid and take care of some of the other children together with their own. In addition it might be most helpful if local professionals could be made available who know the public assistance field and what is and is not available on the federal and county level.

Considering city public assistance: I would like to suggest a questionnaire, to be filled out by the voters during the September 1973 election. This questionnaire should ask something like (1) Are you in favor of Public Assistance, and if so, to which amount and for which purpose (multiple choices). (2) Do you feel that you have a need for (could qualify for) public assistance, and if so, why, what is your need?

For, after all, if Greenbelt would decide to complement existing public assistance, then there are others than parents of 3 to 6 year-olds who may need help.

In conclusion: it is obvious that many questions can be raised and quite a few solutions seem available. I sincerely hope that council will not be rushed into a proposition which seems to require quite a capital outlay, will crowd out an existing teenage afternoon drop-in, may crowd out future recreation programs and may not be in the best interest of all concerned.

Leonie Penney

Holy Cross Lutheran Church

6905 Greenbelt Rd.

Worship Services
8:30 and 11:15 A.M.
Sunday School 9:50 A.M.
Weekday Nursery School
9:00 - 11:30 A.M.
Edward H. Birner, Pastor
Phone 345-5111

Cat-hater at Large

To the Editor:

We have a serious problem in Greenbelt. We have a resident among us who hates cats - your pet and mine. One who hates very strongly; who not only physically removes the animals from their immediate areas to isolated areas elsewhere, but who has resorted to placing poison in the grass close to the Greenbelt sidewalks killing not only cats, but possibly also killing dogs, birds, squirrels and children . . .

How often do children drop things in the grass along the sidewalks and very often pop the retrieved item right into their mouths? And

CORRECTION

The News Review regrets the error in its article about the Prince Georges County band festival. Parkdale High School band was mistakenly named the winner of the Festival. Actually there were no winners; various schools competed and were rated in several categories but no winners were named.

doesn't this throw a cloud over the slogan that "Greenbelt is a safe place for children"?

A thief and killer is a police matter. If you know who this maniac is, please notify the police.
Name Withheld

MOWATT MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

40 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt, Maryland
CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 - 10:30 A.M. WORSHIP 11:00 A.M.
Sermon: "A Worthy Tribute to a Godly Mother"
Rev. Clifton D. Cunningham, Minister
Nursery 11:00 a.m.

9:45 A.M. Sunday School 6:00 P.M. Training Union
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship 7:00 P.M. Evening Worship
7:30 P.M. Wed. Midweek Service

GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Crescent & Greenhill Rds. S. Jasper Morris Jr., Pastor - 474-1040

LEGAL NOTICE

City of Greenbelt
Greenbelt, Maryland

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 19 of the City Code, the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, will sell the lost and unclaimed bicycles and other obsolete city property items listed below at public auction on

June 16, 1973
at 11:00 A.M.

at the Ridge Road Recreation Center, 22 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Maryland.

BICYCLES

#473, Kent, Black, F1T06613, 26B; #474, Star Lycett, Red, 0945, 26B; #484, Sears, Blue, 476120 & 476619, 20G #485, Roadmaster, Blue, 248084, 20G; #493, Astra Defrance, Gold, X580/055204, 26B; #529, Purple, 476220 & 9H451501, 20B; #601, Airwing, purple, 2250, 20G; #614, Executive, Bronze, 425370, 20B; #627, Airwing, Gold, 20B; #629, Hawthorn, Red, 13312HU, 26G; #630, Schwinn, Red, C311381, 26B; #631, Robin Hood, Black, 26G; #632, Royce Union, Black, S44105, 26B; #634, Huff, Red, W151399, 26B; #635, Huff, Yellow, 0C082013, 20B; #640, Kent, Blue, 26G; #644, Hercules, Black, 272480, 26G; #647, Huff, Gold, 8H115204, 26B; #655, Ross, Black, R65242851, 26B; #660, Headstrom, Purple, Tricycle; #662, Olympic, Blue, 865561, 20B; #704, Headstrom, Turq., 9016, Tricycle; #730, Hercules, Black, 5665664, 26G; #734, Green, 73393, 20B; #744, Purple, 16G; #748, Schwinn, Red, L874949, 26B; #770, Kent, Blue, 710835, 20G; #771, Derby, Red, H422003 24B; #774, Kent, Black, F1106655, 26G; #782, Amcrest, Orange, 2806972, 24B; #783, Schwinn, Red, 26B; #784, Columbia, Turq., S526690, 20G; #796, AMF, purple, 14B; #798 Huff, green, 0H764761, 20B; #810, Huff, blue, 9C469309, 20G; #812, Jaquar, turq., 132180, Girl's Frame, Ross Union, Turq., 3L6461, Girl's Frame Several 26" Wheels, Handle Bars, Pedals, Seats, and Gears; #813, Yellow, WH7471, 26B; #824, AMF, Purple, 14B; #827, AMF, Gold, A422056, Boy's Frame, #831, Executive, Purple, 14B; #827, AMF, Gold, A422056, Boy's Frame; #831, Executive, Purple, 3994394, 26B; #839, Sears, Blue, 8H914229, 20B; #940, Headstrom, Red, 9701, 10G; #841, Hawthorne, Blue, J183156, 26G; #847, Purple, 642517, 24G; #859, Schwinn, Green, HE69738, 26G; #866, Schwinn, Blue, DE17196, 20G; #876, Coaster Brake, Blue, 26B; #877, Rixe, Gold, 2125676, 26B; #878, AMF, Purple, M373803, 20G; #880, Red, 26B; #881, AMF, Black, R319367, 26G; #882, Hercules, Black, 2076034, 26B; #883, Power King, Red, OR70245, 20B; #884, Royce Union, Blue, 5H3313, 20B; #923, Sears Free Spirit, White, 20247426-209946, 26B; #927, Schwinn, Purple, 744735, 16G; #934, Hercules, Black, 2890853, 26G; #1001, Murray, Turq., M95005X55861537, 20G; #1002, Pink, Tricycle; #1003, Columbia, Blue, S906903, 26B; #1004, Rollfast, Red, D235545, 26B; #1005, Columbia, Turq., H230066, 26G; #1006, Oxford, Orange, 26B; Four Red Scooters (Tagged in 1966).

OTHER CITY PROPERTY ITEMS

One (1) Royal Typewriter; One (1) Underwood Typewriter; One (1) Digital Clock; Seven (7) Rolls Teletype Paper; Sixty-three (63) pair Rink Clamp Roller Skates; One (1) RCA 16 mm. Movie Projector 13242, and RCA 400 Speaker 172577-1.

Any person having a claim against any of the above bicycles, must present such claim to the city before the auction or shall otherwise abandon their rights to title thereto. For identification purposes, claimants may inspect the bicycles by appointment at the above address from June 12 through June 15, 1973. Additional identification of the bicycles before claiming will be required.

By Authority of
GUDRUN H. MILLS

County Continues County Drug Counseling Program at RRC

by Jim O'Sullivan

A request by Joseph L. Amico at the May 7 city council meeting for a continuation of the use of the Ridge Road Center for the Clearpath program touched off an inquiry into the details of the drug counseling program.

Amico, who is the Drug Coordinator for Prince Georges County, outlined some of the services which have been offered and said that the addition of a professional counselor has enabled them to expand their services.

The council, however, wanted more specific information about the program. Council member Gil Weidenfeld wanted to know what "non-drug related" and "other", two categories used in the report, referred to. Weidenfeld also wanted to know what percentage of the people counseled came from Greenbelt. Council member Elizabeth Maffay also wished to know if Greenbelters were making use of the program since it is operating in a city facility.

Amico said that the addresses of the persons counseled were confidential but that it would be possible to indicate how many participants in the Clearpath program were from Greenbelt. He said that the "non-drug related" category referred to personal problems with parents and teachers. He did not explain what the category "other" indicated.

Mayor Richard Pilski inquired into the training of the roving leaders. Amico said that they are in their late teens or early twenties and that they have training for two weekends and three or four hours a week of training for another four months. Pilski expressed concern that nineteen year olds were giving advice on such complicated problems.

Council member Charles Schwan, however, pointed out that the age of the roving leaders was probably an asset, citing the fact that communication is easiest within the peer group.

Council member Rhea Cohen suggested that Amico get together with Dennis Piendak, the project director for Greenbelt Cares, to see how these two programs might be coordinated.

Amico said that he would give the council a more detailed and specific report, and expressed the

hope that Ellen Jones, the new counsellor, would have an opportunity to meet with the council.

Amico also indicated that the county was willing to pay a small amount of rent for the use of the building.

The council then voted unanimously to let the Clearpath program continue to use the Ridge Road Center until July 1, and also to permit the use of an additional room.

Mobil Oil Station

The council voted to accept an agreement worked out between the city manager and Mobil Oil concerning the planned reconstruction of the Mobil Oil station at Centerway and Crescent Road. Under the terms of the agreement Mobil Oil would provide an easement or dedication to the rear of its property and provide for a sidewalk to go between the city garages and the station property, connecting the underpass walk to the parking lot. Secondly Mobil agreed to dedicate a strip five feet wide along the front of its property for road purpose.

Although city manager James Giese recommended that Mobil be required to build a sidewalk along Centerway, some members of council were not impressed with this part of the plan. Giese thought that since people are now walking in the street, the provision of a sidewalk would be an improvement. Council member Schwan, however, said he saw no reason to encourage people to jeopardize their safety by inviting them to walk along Centerway. The motion that passed did not provide for the Centerway sidewalk at this time.

Ball Playing

In passing the ordinance which prohibits the playing of ball games in areas except at athletic fields and play fields which have been established for that purpose, the council clarified a misunderstanding about the intention of the ordinance. As Giese explained it, the primary purpose of the ordinance is to increase the areas where ball games could be played rather than to restrict it as some had thought. There were areas in the city already being used as ball fields when they had not been so designated in the old ordinance.

The new ordinance would simply allow the city manager to designate these areas rather than have it be necessary to go back to the council and amend the ordinance every time a new ball field was developed. Council member Weidenfeld said that the ordinance would increase rather than decrease the areas for ball playing and would make it easier to expand in the future. A second purpose of the ordinance was to protect people in picnic areas from being hit by balls from games being played there.

Tax Differential

The council again expressed its displeasure with county executive Gullett's policy of circumventing the tax differential bill enacted by the county council. Particularly in dispute is Gullett's refusal to recognize police services as a service eligible for tax credit or repayment. The council plans to make its disapproval of this policy known at a hearing on the county budget later this month.

Mishkan Torah Sisterhood

The Sisterhood of Mishkan Torah announces their last meeting of the season on Tuesday, May 22, 8 p.m., at the synagogue building, Ridge and Westway Roads. The program for the evening, which will start at 9 p.m., will be an improvisational socio-drama on the subject of interfaith marriage. This theme is the natural outgrowth of last year's very successful improvisational drama, which dealt with interfaith dating. The public is invited to attend, to partake in refreshments, and to join the discussion which will follow the entertainment.

PRAB Raises Questions About FDR High School

In accordance with a suggestion made by the city's Park and Recreation Advisory Board, the city council has directed the city manager to set up a meeting with the Prince Georges Board of Education to discuss the development of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Senior High School.

Of concern to PRAB is the community use of school facilities, both athletic and non-athletic. Giese said that the school board has noted that the Roosevelt High School will be serving an area substantially greater than the city of Greenbelt and that the facilities will be available to all who reside within the general area of the school.

Affecting the potential use of the school facilities by Greenbelt citizens, Giese said, will be the degree to which they are used by the school and the degree to which they are used by citizens outside of Greenbelt. Also a factor will be the cost for paying for custodial services.

Another concern of PRAB was the degree of erosion created by the school construction and the amount of green space on the site. Giese said that the State and county, through the grading ordinance, will require erosion control during construction. As to green space, he noted that the entire property is being developed for school purposes. Since much of the area will be in athletic fields, he concluded that there will be considerable green space. There will, however, be virtually no trees, he added.

PRAB further expressed a desire to see lighted athletic fields. Giese said it is school board policy not to light athletic fields. On a previous occasion, the school board staff indicated that lighting might be considered if paid for by someone other than the school board.

Children's Art Exhibit

A collection of 24 paintings and drawings by children of many lands is on exhibit for the month of May at the Greenbelt Branch Library, it was announced today by Mrs. Agnes Rempert, head of the children's department.

The show, titled "The World Through Children's Eyes" was assembled to commemorate the 40th anniversary of Save the Children Federation (SCF), international child welfare organization with headquarters in Norwalk, Connecticut.

The exhibit, to which the public is invited, may be viewed during regular library hours. Save the Children Federation aids children, their families and communities in the Southern Appalachian Mountains, on American Indian reservations, and in many countries overseas through the sponsorship program, annual collections of used clothing, and a general self-help fund.

Recreation Review

Camp Pine Tree

Four two-week sessions of Camp Pine Tree, sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department, will run from June 25 through August 1. Camp operation is from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Bus transportation will be provided for children within the Greenbelt city limits. For further information and/or application, call the Recreation Department, 474-6878.

Greenbelt Chucks and Lassies

Open to boys and girls 6-8 years of age, no registration, no fee. The program is held each Saturday 9-11 a.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center and the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, adjacent to the golf course. Activities include "T" League baseball clinic, group game fundamentals and fun for all. Send your youngster down this Saturday.

Spring Fun Center

Co-sponsored by the Recreation Department of Greenbelt and the M-NCPCC, this after school program held at the North End School will run through June 1. The hours are from 4-6 p.m. on the school playground, for elementary to teen age boys and girls. Activities include arts and crafts, archery instruction and group games. No fee is charged.

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GHI Board Holds Last Meeting Of Current Term

by Sid Kastner

The last regular meeting of the previous Greenbelt Homes, Inc., board, on Thursday, dealt with very typical matters such as the differing views of members on subjects ranging from sheds to the general condition of the corporation.

A brief meeting of the Greenbelt Development Corporation board, held just before the main GHI meeting, produced a report from manager Roy Breashears that the Post Office Department has made an offer to buy about 3.5 acres of land at the corner of Crescent and Parkway, at a price of about \$26,000 per acre. Breashears noted that an earlier proposal by GDC, to construct its own building on this land and lease space to the Post Office had been turned down. Director David Lange voiced the opinion that the land should be kept by GDC for use as a source of income, rather than be sold; Nat Shinderman agreed with this view, and stated that the land was actually much more valuable than the offer indicated. A motion by Lange was passed to obtain an appraisal of the property, and to continue further discussion with the Post Office regarding sale or lease.

Visitors' Comments

The actual GHI meeting started off with a statement by member Mrs. Wilson who noted that Mrs. Eunice Coxon had contacted planner David Ornstein on her own, and questioned whether a member should take such actions without authorization from the board. Hugh O'Donnell of the Planning Subcommittee explained the circumstances of the Ornstein visit. Chairman James Smith's response was that members who desired to contact consultants on their own could do so, but that it was preferable that they acted through the board.

Another member, Mrs. Edna Farmer, rose to state that she wanted to "say something good about GHI" and praised the participants in the Home and Garden Tour, who were "building up GHI instead of tearing it down."

City Budget Comments

With regard to the city budget, on which a public hearing was held Monday, director Tom White stated that he felt the City had not given citizens enough time to properly consider the capital improvements part of the budget; he was especially critical of the large share of "revenue-sharing" funds that went to Springhill Lake. Director Volk disagreed with White on this, saying that the city had made proper use of its resources. White reiterated his opinion that "revenue sharing funds should not be used to benefit just a few citizens, but to alleviate the tax load of all Greenbelt citizens." Some other board members said that the condition of Ridge Road, which mainly serves the GHI community, has been a problem neglected by the city.

Reforestation

A plan to place the corporation's undeveloped land under formal forest management has been under study for some time. Director Lange refreshed the board on the conditions of the plan, which would involve about 76 acres on which dead wood would have to be cut down, and would be operative for a minimum period of 5 years. He estimated that its adoption in 1968 might have saved the corporation some \$5,500 in taxes by now, depending on the cost of labor to thin the deadwood. The manager was dubious of any such saving, while Lange insisted that over a longer period of the plan would definitely be financially worthwhile. He noted that the plan could be cancelled at any time, and his motion to proceed with it was then passed by the board.

Sheds

A member's request to be allowed to retain an outside garbage storage bin pointed up a typical problem which arises when two members occupy the different floors of one building. The member who

Greenbelt Cares

Greenbelt CARES will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, May 22 at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

John Shannon, coordinator of volunteers with the Maryland Department of Juvenile Services, will speak on DJS and the role of the volunteer. A discussion will follow centering on how volunteers can work through Greenbelt CARES. All interested residents are welcome.

CARES also wishes to announce its new telephone number, the easily-memorized 345-3456, for 24-hour contact.

RRC Spring Gallery Series Craft Show this Weekend

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will offer the final showing in its spring gallery series at the Ridge Road Center this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 18, 19 and 20.

This show will be an Adult and Children's Craft Show. Emphasis will be on the children's work. All mediums will be accepted in as many varied crafts as possible. No entry fee will be charged.

Hours of the show are Friday from 7-9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Entries will be accepted at the Youth Center Business Office Friday, May 18, from 9 am. - 5 p.m.

GARDEN PLOTS AVAILABLE

Garden plots, 50 by 50 square feet, are now available on the old landfill (Northway extended). The ground has been treated by the city so that it can be worked into gardens. There is plenty of leaf mulch available. Interested persons may call Bill Hoff, 474-7171.

TRAFFIC TIPS

Never speed up when someone starts to pass. It's not only discourteous, it's highly dangerous. The best procedure is to slow down a little and let the other driver get around quickly.

lives upstairs possesses one half of the yard, and the lower member's access to the exterior of the building is then affected to some extent. In this instance, the case was made even more complicated by the fact that the upstairs member had also built a large attached shed which was within the maximum size allowed, but which was also objected to by the lower member. The board first voted to deny the use of the outside garbage bins, and then adopted White's motion to refer the matter to an ad hoc Member Complaints Committee, in the hope that a reasonable compromise could be worked out.

Other Matters

The recent home and garden tour was praised by several board members as having been very successful and director Don Volk read into the record some words of appreciation for chairman Judith Johnston and her committee, consisting of Pat Brown, Gloria Childers, Douglas Hawes, Bernie McGee, Dennis Osika and Joanne Volk.

At the end of the meeting, Lange and Shinderman, who are not running for further terms on the board, expressed their pleasure at having worked with the other board members. Shinderman voiced regret at leaving the board after some nine years, and said he "looks forward with confidence to the continual growth of the corporation." In a prepared statement, White said that Shinderman "has distinguished himself by providing outstanding service and leadership in every assignment" and that "his role as president during a critical period in terms of finding directions and altering policies shall be recorded as a mark of his leadership, ability and personal integrity."

THE WOOD CHIPS

Late last week great piles of wood chips began appearing around Greenbelt. By Sunday night, the one nearest our home had almost disappeared into a continuous stream of car trunks, pick-ups, bushel baskets and children's wagons. Evidently people know what wood chips are good for. But, in case more come along, here are a couple of ideas:

They make a fine mulch around trees, shrubs, plants of various kinds, even including vegetables. A mulch is a layer of organic matter of variable thickness used as a soil cover to control weeds, preserve soil moisture and improve the fertility and structure of the soil itself. Mulches can make for productive growth in times of little moisture by shading the soil and thus keeping it cool and moist. The shade also serves to prevent weeds from getting started. Wood chips perform these two functions quite well, but they obviously do not break down to enrich the soil as quickly as other mulch materials (grass clippings, hay, sawdust, plant and animal waste products).

According to Betty Brinhart in MOTHER EARTH: "Mulches do wonders in protecting the shallow roots of such plants as blueberries, azaleas and rhododendrons. Without a mulch, these plants must be cultivated. Deep cultivation however is detrimental to their health since even the slightest scraping of the surface to control weeds will sever a multitude of valuable feeder roots."

Another use: "A 6-inch mulch of ground corn cobs, wood chips or sawdust placed in the garden aisles, or paths, will enable you to walk in your garden immediately after a heavy rain without compacting the moist soil or getting your shoes muddy. Mulch placed under individual squash, melons or pumpkin plants eliminates fruit rot due to direct contact with cool moist soil and soil insects. It will also prevent the fruit from getting splattered with mud every time it rains. Mulches will also prevent deep freezing around less hardy plants and will help to keep the soil from freezing in bulb beds when late plantings must be made in early winter."

Finally mulches made a great cover for a play area as Center School is finding out. The area is ready to go immediately after a rain (Look Mom no mud!) looks good all the time and the soil isn't being washed away.

All in all aren't you glad they didn't burn the trees of Greenbriar?

Oakcrest Carnival

The Oakcrest Elementary School PTA will sponsor a carnival on Saturday, May 19 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine.

The carnival will feature fun and games for children and teens. Included are chance games, a cake walk, raffles, refreshments and a cake sale.

Proceeds will be used by Oakcrest PTA to sponsor school-oriented projects. For information or directions call 336-8020.

Dr. and Mrs. Carman At Community Church

On Sunday, May 20, Dr. John S. Carman and his wife, Naomi (nee Hull), will conduct the 11 a.m. service at Greenbelt Community Church. Their theme will be "Greater Things Than These."

The Carmans, who now reside in Greenbelt, spent many years in India, where Dr. Carman headed the department of surgery at, and later became director of, the Christian Medical College at Vellore.

Dog Licenses On Sale

It's that time again for Prince Georges County canine owners.

Dog license for 1973-4 went on sale May 6 and all dogs must have them by June 30 when last year's tags expire.

Licenses are sold year-round at the Animal Shelter, 8311 D'Arcy Rd., Forestville; the County Service Building, 4012 Rhode Island Ave., Hyattsville; and at police stations throughout Prince George's. On Sat., May 19, they will be available at Greenbelt Center School from 2 to 4 p.m. and on Wed., May 23, at Greenbelt Junior High from 6 to 8 p.m.

In addition to requiring that all dogs be licensed, county law stipulates that dogs over four months old be vaccinated against rabies. Proof of immunization must accompany each license application.

Prince Georges Health Department runs rabies clinics during May at centers throughout the county. Information on clinic schedules and fee can be obtained by calling 773-1400, ext. 220.

Pre-Kindergarten Testing Offered at Center School

A special testing program will be held at Center School on Tuesday, May 22 for all children who will enter kindergarten at Center in September. The "Language Ship" (Speech-Hearing-Identification Program) is offered at only a few schools in the county. Parents are urged to take advantage of this opportunity for free testing of their children.

Pupils may be registered for kindergarten on May 22 or anytime before that date. For further information call Center School - 44-4596.

Democratic Clubs Meet

The Greenbelt Democratic Club and the Springhill Lake Democratic Club invite all interested citizens to hear Delegate David Gray Ross, First District representative to the Maryland Legislature, discuss the recent redistricting and its effect on Greenbelt. Ross will review, also, other legislation enacted at the recent session of the State Legislature.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 23, at 8:30 p.m. in the Springhill Lake Community Center.

James T. Gobbel

James T. Gobbel, former city manager of Greenbelt from October 1943 to July 1948, died on Thursday, May 10, at Alexandria Hospital after a brief illness. He was 64. Gobbel had last been employed by the General Services Administration.

When Gobbel took over after the resignation of the first town manager Roy Braden, the functions of the housing project and the town government had been closely related. The Federal officer in general charge of Greenbelt had a dual role, being the town manager as well as community housing manager.

Gobbel's tenure in Greenbelt was marked by stormy exchanges between residents and council members. In February 1946, more than 100 residents adopted a resolution expressing confidence in Gobbel after they learned that he had been asked to resign by the Public Housing Administration.

Three months later — in June 1946 — the jobs of town manager and community manager were divorced. Gobbel was appointed to the full-time job of town manager and relinquished his other post as community manager.

Prior to his appointment as Federal manager, Gobbel was on the Washington administrative staff of the old Resettlement and Farm Security Administrations in the planning and administering of the Greenbelt projects on the national level.

After leaving Greenbelt in July 1948, Gobbel became a staff member with the House Government Operations Committee and moved to GSA in 1950.

Torah Dedication

This week is a happy one for the Mishkan Torah, Ridge and Westway Roads, Greenbelt; a new Torah is to be placed there in the ark on May 18 at 8:30 p.m. The new scroll will be carried to the ark by its donors, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Ruderman of Greenbelt.

Acquired by Mrs. Ruderman's grandfather in 1927, the scroll over the years has been deposited in various synagogues. For several years its whereabouts was uncertain, but later it was located and identified. On Thanksgiving the Rudermans drove to Syracuse and brought the scroll to Greenbelt.

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G.C.S. Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Greenbelt Area Council of Greenbelt Consumer Services (G.C.S.) will be held on Thursday, May 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Greenbelt Library. Speakers will be Wilbur Wright, Speaker of the G.C.S. Congress, Mrs. Doris Behre, chairman of the Board of Directors and Eric Waldbaum, president and executive manager of all G.C.S. facilities.

All members of G.C.S., Co-op, shoppers and residents of Greenbelt are cordially invited to attend.

GREENBELT POPPY DAY

Friday, May 18, is Poppy Day in Greenbelt. Members of Greenbelt Unit 136, American Legion Auxiliary will be asking for contributions to this program. All funds contributed go directly into the Rehabilitation program of the American Legion and the Auxiliary. The Greenbelt Unit, under the chairmanship of Elaine C. Wood, works directly with Washington VA Hospital, Kimbrough Army Hospital at Fort Meade and St. Elizabeth's.

Methodist Church News

Vacation Church School will be from June 25-29, with registration in June. All teachers and interested persons will meet at 7:30 p.m., May 15 in the Church Nursery Room.

Our Neighbors

Elaine Skolnik - 474-6060

Bob Pasternak and Alan Haga made it two wins in a row at last Friday's duplicate bridge session. They ended up with a three-point margin over runners-up Sid Barnett and Tony Pisano. Next game: Friday, May 25.

Best wishes for a happy birthday to Ellen Murray who celebrated her 14th birthday.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Charles White, 209 Lakeside. Michelle Lynne made her debut May 14 and tipped the scales at 8 lbs. 12 oz. She joins a sister Cheryl.

Mathias Zahniser, son of Mrs. Alice Zahniser of 1-K Gardenway, passed his orals for a doctorate at Johns Hopkins University a few days ago. Mathias is now teaching Arabic, religion courses and honors seminars at Central Michigan University, residing in the University town of Mt. Pleasant, Mich. with his wife, two sons and one daughter.

Mary E. McCabe, 211 Lakeside Dr., will receive a M.A.T. degree in mathematics from Georgetown University on May 20.

Congratulations to Sara Kelly of Greenbelt who won second place on the balance beam at the MG Open Gymnastic Meet, held at Parkdale High School recently.

Mimi Laster, 3 Lakeside, plays recorders and racket, ancient musical instruments, in a musical group, the Paint Branch Pro Musica, which specializes in music of the Renaissance and early Baroque eras. The group, which is directed by Dr. Richard Berg, has been invited to provide background music for the soundtracks of short films on Renaissance artists being prepared by the National Gallery of Art.

A happy-happy birthday to Alan Amberg who celebrated his 10th birthday May 10 with his friends at McDonalds.

Program for Deaf

There will be a program for hearing-impaired children on Monday, May 21, at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. The program includes a panel discussion on "The Deaf Child and his Family" moderated by Dr. McCay Vernon, co-author of *They Grow In Silence* and editor of *American Annals of the Deaf* and members of the Prince Georges County Deaf Homemakers Club. A performance given by the Hughes Memorial Theatre, Washington's Little Theatre of the Deaf, will be featured. The entire program will be signed (in sign language).

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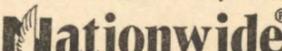
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Boys-Girls Club News

The Boys and Girls Club had a financially successful stand, helped by donations of baked goods, at the annual Greenbelt Arts and Crafts Festival. Those who helped in the kitchen were: Barbara and Arnie Rizner, Gale Gardes, Barbara Osborne, Julia Boone, and Pam Splaine. Plans are being made to have a concession stand at other Greenbelt events. Volunteer helpers are needed.

The girls softball season opened on an unsuccessful note. The 17 year old and under team hosted a strong Bowie club who defeated Greenbelt 25-11. The 13 year old and under traveled to Greenmeadows and also were defeated 27-2. New uniforms should be available soon.

The boys baseball season will open on June 4. New uniforms are expected to be delivered before the opening game. More information on the teams and schedules will be published soon. Anyone who can assist in coaching or can provide transportation for the baseball or softball teams should contact John Pisani - 345-8890.

Baltimore Symphony

Persons wishing to subscribe to the Baltimore Symphony concerts for next season are advised to purchase their tickets prior to June 1 to take advantage of this season's rates. A raise in ticket price will be in effect after June 1. Call 894-6790 or write to Baltimore Symphony, c/o 25 Lakeside, Greenbelt.

Meditation Lecture

The International Meditation Society will present a lecture on Transcendental Meditation—a natural method for gaining deep rest and relaxation on Wed., May 23 in Grenebelt Library at 8 p.m. The lecture is free and open to the public. For information call 387-5050 or 384-1221.

BUDGET HEARING from p. 1 ed under the open-space grants provided by Federal and State agencies for the purchase of the Ridge Road Center and the 3+ acres. In providing grant money, HUD also required that they approve any lease arrangements involving the property.

Other Budget Items

Except for a statement by a Lakeside Citizens Association representative to the effect that his group was willing to pay a small increase in taxes in order to get continued services, there was no discussion on the 9 cents tax increase embodied in Giese's 1974 budget. Public comment, if anything, opposed the cutting of a few items whose deletion had been proposed, such as a \$700 expenditure for a collator designed to save secretary's time in assembling reports.

Council announced a tentative decision to increase the salary of the mayor from \$1,800 to \$2,400 and that of council members from \$1,500 to \$2,000 (effective with the election of the new council in September 1973). This recommendation also drew no comments. The last increase had been enacted in 1967.

Greenbelt ORT

The last meeting of the year for the Greater Greenbelt ORT Chapter will be held on Monday, May 21, at the meeting room above the drugstore, in the Springhill Lake Apts. Bring your friends to the meeting and enjoy a fun program with prizes afterward.

There will be a square dance on June 9, at 8:30 p.m. in the Springhill Lake Community Room. For more details and reservations call 345-6949 or 474-9165.



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