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GREENBELT, MARYLAND

the increase in operating costs for

all units combined exceeds 9.9 per-

Current Status Of

GHI Tax Appeal

by Janet James

Here they go again, folks, but

with a difference. The 1975 tax

assessment of \$12,351,350 for

Greenbelt Homes Inc. was protes-

ted, as in past years, at the county

level. GHI lost there, and on May

10, 1976, Albert Ginsberg, GHI's

attorney filed an appeal with the

State. Sounds familiar, doesn't it

-it has happened so often in the

past. GHI habitually loses at the

county level and wins on appeal.

for the first time, the county has

intervened and is going all out at

the State level to prevent a GHI

win on appeal, GHI will be opposed

in its appellate case not only by

the Attorney General for the State,

but also by attorneys for Prince

Why does GHI keep on protest-

ing the assessment and why does

the assessor start all over again

with the same type of assessment

next year after GHI has won the

The tax assessor says he is using

sales prices of GHI houses for his

assessment. GHI contends that

the sales of GHI units are not true

sales and the price a member pays

for his unit includes a value for his

aliquot part of the common areas,

common walkways, GHI manage-

ment and office buildings, boat and

trailer parking yards, GDC apart-

ments, etc., all of which are also

separately assessed and taxed to

the corporation, which tax ends

up in members' monthly charges.

the use of a full sales price of a

unit for the assessment results in

double taxation for that portion of

the sales price which represents

a share of other real property owned

by the corporation. Furthermore, a

unit's sales price also includes a

member's share of the reserves,

which, GHI claims, should not be

a base for real estate taxes, since

GHI has never been zoned nor has

it ever been approved as a planned

community, because the Federal

Government, when it built the ori-

ginal Greenbelt, did not feel it was

subject to such local restrictions.

The prices for which the units are

being sold are higher than they

would be in such a non-conformist

situation except that part of the

price represents an interest in the

The assessor says also that he is

checking his assessments by using

replacements cost less depreciation,

but the depreciation he is allowing

in his calculations, GHI believes,

is far less than it should be for

buildings constructed in the late

So much for the 1975 tax case.

The assessment for 1976, of \$12.-

762,676 effective July 1, 1976 is

based on the same formulas and

theories and for reasons stated

above, GHI has protested it. That

come is now at the county level.

other assets of GHI.

30's and early 40's.

reserves are not real property.

Therefore, GHI contends that

Georges county.

This time there is a difference;

Thursday, October 21 ,1976

Average 10% Increase Faces GHI Membership

An averageincrease in monthly charges of about 10 percent is indicated in the first go-around of the 1977 budget prepared Greenbelt Homes, Inc. manager Roy Breashears. The board, which received the budget at a special meeting on October 12, has yet to act on it and will have two membership hearings before taking final action. These information meetings are schedaled for November 3 and 4, at the board offices. required to approve the budget, if

Many items contribute to the proposed \$330,00 increase in the 32 million budget. This increase, which comes to about 12 percent in terms of operating costs, equals 10.4 percent when related to total charges which include amortization payments. The increase will be roughly the same for the brick and frame homes,

Breakdown of Increase

(1) About a third of the increase is attributable to payroll costs. Proposed cost-of-living and grade adjustments account for half this increase. The other half is accounted for by rising fringe benefit costs workmen's compensation, unemployment insurance, social security, pension, and hospitalization.

(2) One-fifth of the increase is attributable to higher water and sewer rates and to higher trash collection fees. During the past year water and sewer rates rose from \$1,23 per 1,000 gallons to \$1.60 and are expected to increase to more than \$2.00 by next July. The city has increased its trash collection fee from \$5.00 to \$5.50 per month per home.

(3) Another fifth of the increase is attributable to real estate taxes. The amount of refund left over from last year's successful tax apped for application to 1977 charges was not as great (\$82,000) as in 1976 (\$100,000). In addition, GHI anticipates an increase in county

(4) The remaining one-fourth of the increase is attributable mainly to inflationary rises in the costs of material, electricity, and insurance and the additional amounts required for repayment of capital improvement loans.

Fuel Savings

The \$330,000 rise would have been greater if it were not for the energy conservation program which is expected to reduce fuel oil costs by \$12,000 in 1977 (below 1976 budget figures). This \$12,000 savings divides equally between brick and frame homes.

Another item that is expected to be lower in 1977 than in 1976 by some \$18,000 — is contract work, which the corporation is able to perform itself with the additional employees hired this year. According to the GHI bylaws, a special membership meeting will be

Twin Pines Reconvenes Special 1975 Meeting

The Twin Pines special membership meeting of January 20. 1975 will be reconvened next Wednesday, October 27 at 8 p.m. As has been the custom, the meeting will be sandwiched between the Member Relations committee meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. and the regular board of directors meeting which will follow immediately.

Parkdale Musical Program

On Friday October 29 at 8 p.m., the 9th Annual Concert of American Music will be given by the vocal music department of Parkdale Senior High School. This department consists of 3 choirs: the Choralettes, the Concert Choir, and the Handbell Choir.

Everyone is welcome. There is a fee; senior citizens and preschoolers will be admitted free.

McCarthy Receives Award

by Elaine Skolnik

Over 200 Little Leaguers and parents were on hand when Norman A. McCarthy received the '1976 Award for Meritorious Service to the Youth of Greenbelt" at the Little League's Annual Awards program on September 26. The coveted city award was presented at the American Legion Post 136 by Recreation Director Hank Irving and 1975 award recipient William Ball. McCarthy was recognized for his dedication and leadership to Little League as well as for his contributions to other youth organizations in the city.

McCarthy's name will be added to the plaque which will be on display at the Municipal Building. He "I was looking at the list of award recipients engraved on the plaque since 1954 and couldn't possibly be in better company."

Coach of the Little League Indians for 11 years, McCarthy is also coach of the CYO Girls Basketball Team (7th and 8th graders) and Boys Club Basketball, ages 15 years and over. His ties to Greenbelt date back to 1942 when he spent his summers with his aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. George Bradley. In 1961 he and his mother Mrs. Estelle McCarthy moved to Eastway and now the family resides at 129 Greenhill Road. He and his wife Jo Ann have four children - Colleen, 13, Christine, 11, Kelly, 10 and Danny, 8.

McCarthy has been News Editor of the Catholic Standard for 15 years. Previously he was with the Washington Post.

3 Alternatives Considered For Balt.-Wash. Parkway

According to a report in the Prince George's Sentinel the State Highway Administration (SHA) has reduced to three the number of alternatives it will consider for the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

(1) To expand the existing parkway to six lanes from Route 450 (Annapolis Road) north to I-495 (Capital Beltway) and from the Baltimore city line south to Rte. I-95. The area in between would be slated for staged construction and would not be widened at the same time. The cost of this alternative is approximately \$162 million;

(2) To expand the parkway to six lanes entirely from Washington to Baltimore, The cost: approximately \$205 million. Eliminated from this alternative was the proposal to widen the parkway to eight lanes between Washington and Rte. 450 to provide for bus lines during rush hour.

(3) To do nothing at all, but to assess what impact leaving the parkway as it is will have on the volume of traffic.

The SHA has also dropped from the interim alternatives a plan to allow trucks to travel on the parkway south of Rtc. 175. Currently trucks are only allowed to use the parkway from Baltimore City south

Public hearings on the three alternatives are expected to be held in late spring or early summer,

LUCKY LEAVES

by Sheila Maffay

The 4-H Lucky Leaves have two new leaders, Sarah Brown and Joan McFarland. The group will be doing projects such as photography, terrarium making, sewing, cooking, crafts and many other nteresting things, Elections will be held at our next meeting. We meet every Tuesday . Anyone interested in joining call: Joan, 474-6892, or Sarah, 474-6608. The Lucky Leaves wish to thank Mrs. Gene Marie Brown, who led the group for several years.

City Surprised By Removal Of SHL Land From Tax Rolls

If one were charitable, it could have been called a lack of communication. If one were righteous, it could have been called a city goof. If one were cynical, it could have been called "putting over a fast one."

In any event, city council at its Monday, October 18 meeting, was indigant to learn that the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (county planning board) had decided to remove 50.7 acres of industrial land owned by

Springhill Lake developers from the county and city tax rolls without anyone on council being aware of it. This action was taken by MNCPPC on October 14 before a surprised city manager James Giese.

Background

The background was this. The city received last month a preliminary plan of subdivision to divide the Springhill Lake industrial tract into four parcels. The same preliminary plan had been filed and approved earlier and the city assumed that the refiling was done in order to avoid an expiration date. Preliminary plan approvals are valid for only a limited period of time and because of the sewer moratorium no further action had been taken by the developer on the industrial tract.

What the city didn't know was that the plan was being filed by the owner as a means of removing the tract from the tax rolls on the grounds that the land was being considered for a METRO subway station for the Greenbelt "E" route. The notice to the city had the words "Reservation Plat" written on it, but this skipped by the city since MNCPPC did not specifically bring the matter to the attention of the city. Giese also stated that the city was not informed until the last minute that the matter would be taken up at the Oct. 14 meeting.

County Law

Under the county law, the MNCPPC is required in connection with the filing of preliminary subdivision plans to determine the need for reserving for public use any of the land affected. The Commission had received word from METRO on September 22, 1976 that the Springhill Lake industrial tract was a proposed site for the Greenbelt METRO station. A final decision on the route is expected in the Spring of 1977, but in the meantime the developer was precluded from developing the land.

(The METRO plan as approved by the county council and executive in March 1976 calls for a station with 2,700 parking spaces in the vicinity of the Capital beltway with access to be provided to the station through local roads and the Beltway. A storage yard would be located north of the Beltway between the Beltway and Sunnyside Avenue.)

Placed in Reservation

Faced with this situation, the Commission staff recommended that the 50.7 acres be placed in reservation for 3 years, retroactive to July 1, 1976. The law (Section 12) provides that such public res ervations shall be exempt from all State, county, and local taxes during the reservation period. The city taxes on the 50.7 acres amounted to \$6,381.80 in the current year

A formal resolution declaring the reservation still needs to be adopted by the Commission after public notice and possible hearing. Council is expected to make known its displeasure at the procedures followed by the Commission in this

As for the substantive issue, council felt that since it was in favor of the Greenbelt "E" route terminating in the Springhill Lake area, it could not really protest the reservation. It however, wondered about the timing since the plans for the METRO route remain very controversial in that the State favors an alignment along the original I-95 route (west of the University of Maryland).

Parent Discussion Group

The Springhill Lake Parent Dis cussion Group will meet in the teachers' lounge at the Springhill Lake Elementary School 7:30-9:36 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 27. The topic will be "Our Role as Women; How to Make Better Use of Our Time" For further information, call Sandee Olek - 345-6016.

Elderly Housing May

Take 30 Months

by Al Skolnik

It will take from 9 to 15 months before construction can begin on housing for the elderly, a disappointed city council learned on Wednesday, Oct. 13, from its consultants. Robert Silverwood, representing Metropolitan Associates Development Corporation; outlined for council the many steps that are necesary. Construction itself can take another 12-15 months.

The first step is the selection of an architect which may take as long as two months. Then another two months may be needed to prepare and file feasibility applications along with schematic drawings of the project to the State and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Then, Silverwood said, one probably has to allow 6 to 8 weeks for design development and another 8 to 10 weeks for working drawings. Some time must also be allowed for the State to review the material and give its approval.

The preparation and signing of closing documents may take another month. At this point, the State must float bonds for financing the project - which generally takes about 7 weeks. Silverwood also cautioned that delays may occur all along the way.

Prefer Non-Profit Corporation

At its Monday, October 18 meeting, city council authorized the manager to notify the State of its intention to proceed with the project and to start the ball rolling with respect to hiring of an architect. This was done after an hour discussion on the type of ownership arrangement to use.

The council unanimously decided to establish or sponsor a non-profit corporation under the control of the city to construct and operate the elderly housing facility. This method was considered preferable to that of the city's directly owning and operating the project because legal liability would then be restricted to the assets of the corporation. In addition, it was felt that the impact on city staff and council time would be less if the non-profit corporation was there to serve as an intermediary in handling housing decisions, problems and complaints.

Another alternative discussed was that of city cutering into a joint venture with a private developer. Under this arrangement, which was favored by the consultant, the developer would be putting up capital to meet pre-development costs and making available his knowledge and experience. After 20 years, say, the ownership of the property would revert to the city.

The council unanimously felt that this alternative was less preferable than the use of a non-profit corporation since so much depended on relationships developed with the developer. It was thought that the consultant could provide many of the services that a developer would provide. Also, complexities were foreseen which might involve complicated legal arrangements and

contracts. In a related matter, the council proposed the setting up of a 9member Advisory Committee on Elderly Housing, consisting of 7 citizens and two representatives. one from the council and one from management. The committee would review, make recommendations, and prepare comments on design features tenant selection policies, financial considerations, and establishment of management poliGREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

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Congresswoman Gladys Spellman has her blood pressure taken by technician David Albright at the recent free Greenbelt Lions Health Fair.

Health Fair Results

Results of the recent Health Fair (SM-12) blood tests will be available after Oct. 27. Please see or call Lion Henry Fisher, 7-E Southway, 474-1817.

THANKS

To the Editor:

The family of Mrs. Anna G. Vorce wishes to thank all the many friends who - by their sincere thoughtfulness and concern -helped us through our bereave-

Although Mrs. Vorce had resided in Mechanicsburg, Pa. for the last three years, she had been very active in the Greenbelt Golden Age Club and had many dear friends in the area. She had often expressed a desire to return to live in Green-

Following a mass of Christian Burial on Wednesday, October 13, she was interred in Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

Mary V. Wilson (for the Vorce, Wilson, Redmond and Strimel families)

THANKS

To the Editor:

Sincere thanks for the kindness and thoughtfulness shown us by our Greenbelt neighbors and friends after the death of John Collins last week. We would also like to thank the Greenbelt police and the Rescue squad for their immediate assistance.

Vera Collins and Barbara Olson

Mishkan Torah News

Mishkan Torah services on Fri., Oct. 22 at 8:30 p.m. will include a discussion of "Everything You Wanted to Know About the Physical Torah but Were Afraid to

On Sat., Oct. 23, at 9:30 a.m. Glen Mollerick will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah.

Applications Due Nov. 1 for Service Acad. Appointments

November 1 is the deadline for the residents of the 5th Congresslonal District who wish to be considered for Congressional appointments to the United States Military, Air Force, Naval and Merchant Marine Academies, announced Congresswoman Gladys Spell-

To be considered for appointment to any of the academies applicants must be between 17 and 22 years of age on July 1, 1977. They must also be United States citizens, unmarried and have a composite scholastic aptitude test (SAT) score of 950 or more.

Individuals interested in applying should contact Representative Spellman's office, Room 1117, Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, by November

Api. Smoke Betectors

A November 9 public hearing is slated for 1:30 p.m. at the Court House in Upper Marlboro on a proposal requiring new and existing apartment buildings to install smoke detectors in each dwelling unit by July 1, 1978. Sponsored by County Councilmen Bogley and Darlene White, the bill would apply to apartment houses with at least three dwelling units.

At least one smoke detector is to be installed near each unit's sleeping area. Any violation of the law carries a \$500 fine, six months imprisonment or both. The bill originally proposed smoke detectors for single-family homes, although members of council's Fiscal and Planning committee believed lack of regular inspection would make enforcement nearly

Attention: GHI Members

Informational Meetings on 1977 Budget

Wed., Nov. 3 and Thurs., Nov. 4

at Board Room, Hamilton Place

Budget Documents Will Be Available at GHI Office Prior to Meetings

CITY NOTES

The general crew spent several days recently locating and repairing the underground drainage system at the Municipal Building. The new work entailed the installation of a structure (junction) to permit several lines to enter it and discharge a single pipe to the storm sewer system. Several areas where sand and silt had washed over walks and streets were cleaned including pedestrian underpasses.

The park crew has been installing playground equipment-a swing at Candy Cane City-cutting grass maintaining the golf course and the football field. The chipper was out cleaning brush from street sides. The chips were put in the playground at St. Hugh's. Chrysanthemums were planted in the Bicentennial flower bed, at the bank ad in the planters at the Center Mall. Some damage was repaired to the playground equipment in the playground behind 28-36 Crescent Road.

Recent paper collections netted 8 tons, 420 lbs. and 7 tons, 820

Beautification

On October 8 the city of Greenbelt received a second place beautification award in the municipal category of the County's Beautification for the Bicentennial Program. The award was in recognition of over-all beautification efforts based on three specific projects that were nominated: Bicentennial flower bed on Lakecrest Drive; Southway; and the Center Mall. The award consisted of a framed certificate, a State of Maryand far and a Bradford pear tree, Stephen Polaschik, Chairman of the Bicentennial Committee, and Park Superintendent Den-Doornekamp represented Greenbelt at the ceremony. First place honors were won by New

D'rector Carol I eventhal and several Greenbelt CARES staff members met with John Van Schoenhoven and Lettie Morton, principal and guidance counselor at Center School. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and plan for a workshop to be held under the joint auspices of Greenbelt CARES and Center School, The workshop will focus on issues related to single parenthood and will present single parents with an opportunity to come together to share mutual concerns.

Work has been continuing on Ridge Road - backfilling the new curbing, pouring concrete in front of the gutter and realigning the lead walks at 43 Court Ridge Road.

The park crew filled two vacancies - a man for the shopping center and a Crewman IV.

Boxwood's playground on Parcel 7 was staked for installation of equipment as soon as weather permits. The layout includes an extra heavy duty combination swing unit with 2 swings, trapeze, 2 flying rings, see-saw and turning bar, a wooden ramble climber with slides, bridges, arch climbers; tires, poles, hand hoops and steps on various levels, 1 platform whirl, tire swing, 2 park benches and 1 buck-a-bout with 4 saddle seats.

Election Program

The League of Women Voters will present "The Candidates and the Issues" at the Thurs., Oct. 28 meeting of the Mishkan Torah Sisterhood at 8 p.m. Interested persons are invited.

Children's Drama Classes

Creative Dramatics for first and second graders will be offered at the Greenbelt library by students of the University of Maryland course in Dramatic Arts for Children. From October 26 through November 30, sessions will be held every Tuesday from 4:40-5:30 p.m. unless otherwise specified. This is an extension of the same program for children held on the campus. For registration and information call the Greenbelt Library, Children's Department, 345-5800.

Red Cross Needs Drivers

Every day Prince Georges Red Cross Volunteers drive county residents to medical, lawyer and other necessary appointments because those residents either do not have the ability or money to drive themselves. But, the Red Cross must refuse to service these people when there aren't enough volunteer drivers. Anyone who can spare a couple of hours a week to drive a Red Cross car, call 559,8500, x42.

MOWATT MEMORIAL United Methodist Church Church School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. Speaker: Richard Craig, Lay Leader.

Rev. Clifton D. Cunningham, Pastor 474-3381 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410

Kool Klovers 4-H Club

by Diana Turkiewicz We filled out membership cards

at our last meeting with 14 girls attending.

Our Halloween party will be held Fri., Oct. 22, at the Turkiewicz's house, 106 Greenhill Rd., from 7:30-10 p.m. A prize will be given for the best carved pumpkin, best costume and most original costume. We have a lot of refreshments and games lined up for the party. Our next meeting will be at the Hammond's, 130 Hedgewood Drive, Mon., Nov. 8, at 7:30 p.m.

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Council Moves Ahead On Acquiring Land

by Al Skolnik

The city council authorized the city manager at its October 18 meeting to proceed with negotiations for the purchase of 28.4 acres for parkland acquisition located in parcel 1 (the area between Greenbelt Homes, Inc. property and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway north of Northway).

The acreage is needed partly to fulfill the agreement with the Federal Government that the city will acquire 15 acres of parkland adjacent to the 14-acre triangular wedge of surplus Agricultural Research Center land deeded to Greenbelt 4 years ago, and will develop a park plan for both tracts. It is proposed that a hiker-biker trail be developed through the land.

The city proposes to acquire a strip of land (24.3 acres) along the northern boundary of the city connecting Laurel Hill Road to the surplus land and a second strip (4.1 acres) along the eastern boundary of the city connecting the surplus land to the Board of Education property adjacent to the old landfill at the end of Northway.

Remaining proceeds of the \$950,-900 bond issue, together with Federal open-space grant money of \$126,400 and State money of \$29,-300, is expected to provide the funds for the purchase. This proposal does not provide for the replacement of the Ridge Road Center property, which will be dealt with later by council.

Armory Parking

Receiving complaints of parking congestion on the West Parking Lot that are attributable in part to day-long parking by commuters, the council considered a parking time limitation. Part of the difficulty, said councilman Dick Pilski, is that the Greenbelt Armory has banned commuter parking since its lot was paved. He found this odd since the city lent its support to the funding of the pavement work. City manager James K. Giese was directed to make known the city's dissatisfaction to the proper authorities.

In the meantime, council tentatively agreed to draft an ordinance that would restrict parking to two hours between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. (except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays) in a portion of the West parking lot.

Public Works Grant

The city council learned of the possibility that Federal funds might be available under Economic Development Assistance Title I funding for the construction of a \$255,000 addition to the Municipal Building. This grant program provides funding under the local public works capital development and investment program.

The Federal Government will pay 100 percent of the cost of construction provided certain conditions are met. One is that the city must have men on the job within 90 days of the award of the grant. Another is that the project will have no adverse affect on any historical area.

Giese cautioned that the chances of receiving the grant are not great. For the entire State, only \$21 million are available and it has been estimated that there will be less than a dozen projects granted funds throughout the State. Nevertheless, the council felt that the gamble was worth while and authorized the manager to proceed with the application.

As a result of this decision, the council had to speed up its arrangements with the architect, Dennis Madden, for preparation of final plans for the addition. If the eity is to receive a public works grant, it must be prepared to undertake construction next spring, and complete plans will have to be ready by January 1. The council also approved an additional expense of \$2,500 for work related to submitting the application for the public works grant.

Other Matters

Council received a complaint regarding its curb and gutter program for Ridge Road, Gordon Allen said that the program was not in accord with the esthetic design of original Greenbelt and suggested substituting shallow curbing. City will take the matter under advisement . . . Tony Hausner has resigned from the Council of Governments' Human Resources Citizens Advisory Committee because of conflict of schedule.

School Bd. Bans **Transfers Again**

At another heated meeting on October 14, the Prince Georges County Board of Education decided once and for all to prohibit the transfers of 34 students - mostly - from Fairmont Heights senior high school to the new Eleanor Roosevelt senior high school.

A five-member majority of the board - Lesley Kreimer, Maureen Steinecke, Chester Whiting, Jesse Warr and Norman Saunders adhered to the advice of its attorney "that permitting the transfers could be construed as a 'governmental act' of resegregation." The board has been stepping carefully to avoid taking any action that could trigger a reopening of the court case which brought forced busing to Prince Georges in January 1973.

The 34 Fairmont Heights students had been among youngsters from throughout the county who had applied under the open enrollment program for the chance to fill 213 classroom seats at Roosevelt reserved for first-come, firstserved applicants countywide.

Over the summer the board had upheld the Superintendent of Schools' recommendation to deny any applications from Fairmont Heights, out of concern that they could tip the racial balance there to a majority black in violation of the Warr-Steinecke resolution of May 26, 1975 and thus be considered an action taken by the board to resegregate the school.

This resolution provided that no new school will open below 10 percent black or above 50 percent black, and that no new school will be permitted to tip other schools beyond these percentages (at least for the first year).

In late August the board approved a resolution saying that if September 30 enrollment figures revealed that the transfers to Roosevelt would not result in "tipping", it would approve them. But those figures, which the board received at its October 7 meeting, showed Fairmont Heights already had tipped, even without the transfers. The question then became whether to create a further racial imbalance there would invite court reintervention in Prince Georges. board's attorney advised that the courts had never addressed the question; thus, there was no legal

Much of the October .7 meeting and more than an hour of the October 14 session were devoted to a parliamentary duel between the four board members believing the transfers should be allowed and five who were reluctant to permit them. Board chairman Sue V. Mills ruled that a motion to block the transfers required six votes for approval, as a motion to reconsider. But her ruling was overturned on a five-to-four vote, and a resolution sponsored by board member Jesse J. Warr, Jr. to deny the transfers drew the five votes it needed. Mills cast the lone "nay" vote, with Nicholas R. Eny, Kathleen Barker and A. James Golato abstaining.

Eny said he declined to vote because he considered the Warr motion illegal and thus invalid. Eny is requesting a review of the action by a panel of parliamentarians, and a transcript of the debate to send to the Maryland State Board of Education. Eny has cases pending before the State board, charging the Superintendent and the board members voting to block the transfers with discriminating against white students. A hearing examiner will hear arguments on that in November.

Cities Adopt 1977 Legislative Program

Greenbelt officials along with other municipal officials from across the state met in Hagerstown October 7 - 9 and adopted resolutions of policy which will be the legislative program for the Maryland Municipal League during the 1977 session of the General Assem-

bly.

The assembled municipal officials took favorable action on resolutions to:

(1) Allow municipal governments to receive full credit instead of the current 1/2 credit for automobiles registered to municipal residents for purposes of the state's highway user revenue distribution to local governments.

(2) Define the limits of public official tort liability and the scope of immunity from liability.
(3) Provde a direct semi-annual

state payment to municipalities for their respective share of horse racing revenues without the revenues passing through the counties;

(4) Allow municipal governments to contract directly with the Maryland State Police for participation in the resident trooper program without counties acting as signa-

(5) Provide the same supplemental grant of the State Aid for Police Protection Fund to municipal governments that is currently provided to county governments.

(6) Allow municipal governments to participate in the State Employees Retirement System with retirement credit commencing on the date of entry and with an option to allow credit for previous municipal service;

(7) Provide that municipal governments be treated as other local governments in that they not be required to pay property taxes on any property they may purchase for public purpose;

(8) Provide a direct quarterly state payment to municipalities for their respective shares of the State Aid for Police Protection Fund without the revenues passing through the counties.

(9) Supporting income tax reform, and providing a substantial increase in the municipal share of the income tax on some base other than the current net taxable income of municipal residents.

The Ways and Means Chairman told the assembled League delegates that 1977 would not only be the year for tax reform, but would most likely also be the year for new tax revenue proposals. He advised that the municipalities needed to get together with the county governments so that both could share any benefits that may result from tax reform.

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Flu Clinics Rescheduled

The Prince Georges County Public Health Department recently announced the rescheduling of swine flu clinics. The first public clinics will be held on Sat., Oct. 23, and Sun., Oct. 24. The Saturday clinic will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the one on Sunday from 1 to 7 p.m. All residents over age 17 are eligible for free swine flu shots.

The first clinics will be held in eight communities in the county. On the following three weekends similar programs are tentatively planned for others. The nearest clinic for Greenbelt residents on Sat., Oct. 23, is at Bladensburg Senior High - 5610 Tilden Rd. On Sunday the nearest one is at Bowie Senior High School, 15200 Annapolis Rd., (Rt. 450).

There are two types of flu vaccines. The one most residents will receive is the monovalent vaccine that protects against swine flu. The other vaccine is the bivalent vaccine. It protects against swine flu and also against the A/Victoria strain of flu that was around last winter and is expected again this year. Residents who are over 55 years of age and persons over 17 with diabetes, heart, lung or kidney diseases will receive the bivalent vaccine.

The U.S. Center for Disease Control (CDC) is expected to make a major announcement on October 22 outlining its recommendations regarding the immunization of healthy children between ages three and 18 years.

CDC has already recommended a series of two shots given four weeks apart for youngsters with

SENIOR CITIZENS

There will be a series of special clinics for residents over 55 years, providing bivalent vaccine only. The clinic in Greenbelt for senior citizens will be held on Mon., Oct. 25, at the Youth Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

special health problems, such as heart, lung or kidney disease; diabetes; neuromuscular disorders like cerebral palsy or muscular dystrophy; immune-deficient diseases or malignancies. Parents of children in these categories are urged to discuss vaccination with their private physician. The Health Department will offer immunizations to these special children by appointment only during the weeks of November 8 and 15 at the Health Department's six community health centers. When a child comes for his or her first appointment, he will be given an appointment for the booster shot in early December. A doctor's written referral is required

The Health Department will not immunize anyone below age 18 at its public vaccination clinics. If the federal government recommends vaccination for all children, the Health Department will make separate arrangements to immunize minors.

Persons who are allergic to eggs or who have received another type of vaccination within the last two works should consult their private physicians about being immunized. Generally persons should wait four to six weeks between immunizations.

Persons coming down with a cold ar lever should postpone taking the du shot until they are feeling better and any temperature has gone away.

For further information there is a 24-hour swine flu telephone number, 262-2265, offering accurate information as well as up-to-date schedules of all vaccination clinics provided by the County Health Department.

Begonia Plants Available

The begonia plants from the city's summer flower gardens have been removed from their beds and given to Greenbelt Cares Youth Services Bureau. The flowers are available to the public for pick-up on Thurs., Oct. 21, from 5-7 p.m. and Fri., Oct. 22 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Ridge Road Center. A small donation is asked that will be used to help purchase tools for the Bike Shop operated by the youth.

Greenbelt Running Club

The Greenbelt Running Club will hold a meeting on Sunday evening 31 October at 8 p.m. at 105 Northway to discuss safe and scenic courses to jog or run in this area, races to be held and awards to be given for participation or placing in races. The Greenbelt Running Club supports both joggers and runners in their efforts towards physical fitness or participating in a sport. From time to time the Club will sponsor races of its own and is looking for ideas for the type of events wanted. In addition the Club has information on races held all over the Washington metropolitan area in great variety, walking races, 50 mile run-hike, 26 mile marathons, races as short as a mile, relay races, national championships or low key Run-For-Fun events. Information is available on running injuries, running shoes or other sports equipment.

The Club is looking for more members and is open to all ages and both sexes. We already have members from 6 years to 60, both experienced runners and beginning runners and joggers. Call 474-9362 for information.

MVA Changes Procedures For Getting Learner Permit

The Motor Vehicle Administration announced that, effective October 1, an applicant for a Maryland driver's license must first pass the vision and law (also known as "written") test prior to the issuance of a learner's permit.

Current procedure permits the issuance of a learner's permit prior to an applicant passing the vision and law tests with the vision, law and driving tests being administered usually at a later date.

The MVA Administrator conced-

The MVA Administrator conceded that the new procedures may work an inconvenience on some applicants because learner's permits no longer will be available through the mail. It will, however be safer.

Under the new procedure, the driving portion of the test will continue to be administered at least 14 days after the issuance of the learner's permit as required by law. The MVA also announced that the revised procedures will require that on the same day a new driver applies for his learner's permit and takes the vision and law tests he must also present his birth certificate to verify both his name and

Walk-In Counseling Center at DuVal H.S.

Evening walk-in counseling centers of the Prince Georges County Public School system officially began operation recently.

This program of the Board of Education is under the direction of the Department of Pupil Services. The centers are staffed with counselors, pupil personnel workers and/or psychologists, each of whom is currently employed in the county schools. Professional counseling, informational and referral services are provided during convenient evening hour to students and/or their parents.

There are no fees and no appointments are necessary. Conferences are held in private and are confidential; no notes are kept on file.

During the school year 1976-77, a center will be operated in DuVal Senior High School every Thursday (except when schools are closed) from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For additional information, call Dr. Jean Phillips. Supervisor of Psychological Services, 952-4620.

Eleanor Roosevelt High Science Department Needs Old Magazines

The Science Department of Eleanor Roosevelt Senior high school is in need of and would greatly appreciate back issues of any scientific publication in order to increase classroom resource materials.

Any one willing to make donations may write to the Science Dept., Roosevelt Sr. High, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, Md. 20770 or call the school office 345-7500.

Greenbelt Grab-bag

by Punchin' Judy

Gresham Malthus Jones lives in a wooded section of Greenbelt up Northend way. He was stomping around and uttering deletable expletives when I visited him the other day. "Look at this," he growled, holding up a large economy sized 32 oz. box of his favorite cleaning powder. "This cost \$1.09, including a special 10c off, while these two 16 oz packages cost 39c each, 21c less for 32 oz. than that fabulous giant special!"

came from the cafeteria at Prince Georges Plaza. The cashler asked the man in front of me for \$3.45 each for his and his wife's dinner. When he told her it was on special for \$2.75 each, she insisted she had to charge him a la carte, because they didn't take bread and pie. The poor guy had to go back for two orders of bread and pie, before she would return the difference to him. They were left uneaten, and I felt terrible when I saw the busboy dump them into the garbage."

By this time Gresham was snarling. "You know that restaurant on Route 1, the one with the good salad bar? You can order a meal for \$2.75, including the salad. But if you order salad only, it's \$3.95."

"That's ridiculous," I demurred.
"You must have misunderstood."

"Exactly what I thought," he answered, So I telephoned and asked them about it. The young lady who answered told me it was their policy and it worked out better that way. I asked her how it could, when anybody could just order the dinner and leave it uneaten, and save \$1.20. She said people just didn't do that. I'm not going to do it either. Wasting food bothers me, so they've lost me as a customer,"

"Maybe the laws of logic have been repealed," I suggested. "That goes without saying," Gresham said. "Haven't you been listening to the political debates?"

'Have any of the other natural laws been tampered with?" I inquired.

He wrinkled his forehead in a frown. "To tell you the truth, I'm a little worried about the Law of Probability. Yesterday I tossed a penny tails up 58 times in a row, and this morning on the Parkway, traffic was backed up for a mile and a half going north away from Washington."

"I'm not so sure about Newton's Law, either," he continued. "Yesterday when I was sitting under a tree in the park, an apple jumped up from the ground and hit me."

"Well, I guess one law is safe, and that is the one of Diminishing Returns," I said.

Gresham snorted. "That's what you think! Just wait until income tax time. When you start to work on your return, you'll find the form hasn't diminished one bit, it's longer than ever."

I walked home, shaking my head, Gresh must really be flipping to believe that natural laws could be repealed. It was a beautiful evening, and I lingered outside for a few minutes, to watch the sun sink slewly in the East.

Police Blotter

The Police Department sponsored a fingerprint school recently in cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Agent David Brady conducted the class, Several officers from local departments attended.

Sgt. Phillip Coombes has completed a law enforcement instructors seminar at the University of Maryland.

Corporal Kenneth L. Stair and Corporal James R. Craze are attending the required police supervisors course sponsored by the Maryland Police Training Commission, and PFC Thomas Ceccarelli is attending the Fingerprint School.

Basketball Team Helps At Recycling Center

On Sun., Oct. 24, and Nov. 7 members of the Greenbelt Boys Club basketball team will be volunteering their services at the Maryland recycling center on the University of Maryland Campus. The boys will help the center staff in recycling glass, paper and cans. Residents are urged to bring recyclable items to the center, particularly on these dates. The center is located behind the heating plant on Route 1. From the Beltway go past McDonalds, across the bridge, turn left at the first traffic light. The center will operate from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on those days. For further information call Phil Straw at 345-5411.

Greenbelt's Library

On-Again, Off-Again Films is on this Sat., Oct. 23 at 11 a.m. in the Meeting Room. The major film is Bridge of Adam Rush, the story of a 12-year old boy's struggle to win the love of his new stepfather and adjust to the hardships of farm life in the early 1800's. A short film on football, Forever Football, will also be shown.

A Slide-Talk program by Toby Cooper of the Defenders of Wild-life, a national wildlife conservation organization will be held on Thurs., Oct. 28 at 8 p.m. Cooper will discuss the present state of endangered species of wildlife and marine mammals, predator control and new concepts in wildlife management. The program is sponsored by the Sierra Club.

A "Rock-In" for young adults featuring local folksingers will be held at the library on Oct. 27 from 7 to 10 p.m. Bring an instrument or just come and listen.

Creative Dramatics for first and second graders will be offered at the library by students of the Unievrsity of Maryland's course in Dramatic Arts for Children, Sessions will be every Thursday from 7-8 p.m. from October 28 through December 2, unless otherwise specified. This is an extension of the same program for children held on the campus. For registration and/or information call the library, Children's Department at 345-5800.

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The proposed amendment to be voted on as question 19 in the November election provides that a 3/4 vote of the county council could overcome municipal opposition. The constitutional amendment applies only to Prince Georges county, but will be on the November ballot state-wide. If approved by the voters, the General Assembly will be asked to adopt the detailed enabling legislation during the session beginning in January.

Apparently the Municipal League members wanted to see the county council assurances incorporated into the language of the amendment, rather than left to future enabling legislation.

La Leche Meeting

On Thursday, Oct. 28, La Leche League will meet to discuss the "Art of Breastfeeding and Overcoming Difficulties." The meeting will be beld at 8 p.m. at 35-L Ridge Rd. For further information call Jill Coutts 474-0616 or Marilyn Brinkley, 345-2141.

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Another first time grandmother is Tillie Wetter, 9 Ridge. Jennie Alisa made her debut Sept. 29 weighing 7 lbs., 1 oz. She is the daughter of Robert and Susan Wetter of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. George Anderson, 139 Northway, who is recuperating at home after surgery.

Walter Wight and daughter and son-in-law Marian and Ed Klu-kowski, 105 Hedgewood, just returned from a vacation trip to Wisconsin. They attended the Purdue-Wisconsin game along with a record crowd of 79,108. Mr. Wight is a member of the University of Wisconsin's Alumni Association - class of 1918. A visit to the Klukowski's son and family was also on their itinerary.

Our deepest sympathy to Vera Collins on the death of her husband, John Collins. Condolences also to daughter Barbara Olson,

Airman Raymond G. Salamy graduated from the U.S. Air Force's law enforcement specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command. Airman Salamy, whose mother is Mrs. Thelmo Gheen of 112 Lastner Lane, is now trained in security and law enforcement and will serve at Andrews AFB.

Airman Pamela A. Ulery, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Rudd of 5801 Cherrywood Ter, has graduated with honors at Sheppard AFB, Tex., from the U. S. Air Force aircraft maintenance specialist conducted by the Air Training Command.

Airman Ulery is being assigned to Langley AFB, Va., for duty with a unit of the Tactical Air Command.

Set. Michael R. Gheen has received the U. S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Keflavik Airport, Iceland. Sergeant Gheen, an avionics instruments systems specialist, was cited for meritorious service at Norton AFB, Calif. Now assigned at Keflavik, the sergeant serves with a unit of the Aerospace Defence Command. Sgt. Gheen's father, Frank Gheen, resides at 112 Lastner Lane.

Visiting the Goldstein family, 56-C Crescent, is David Gorney from Sydney, Australia.

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MNCPPC Pays Little Heed To City Council's Views

by Elaine Skolnik

Without expressing any of the reservations that the Greenbelt city council had, the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (county planning board) on October 14 approved the latest subdivision plan for the commercially-zoned Golden Triangle. According to the city, the board was originally expected to take up the matter on Oct. 28 and the earlier consideration date left the city of Greenbelt not fully represented at

ing the development plan for the

tract. The county council had ap-

proved water and sewer authori-

zation for Capital Cadillac last

May on the grounds that it would

Weidenfeld foresaw this decision

as simply encouraging the Golden

Triangle to "become just another

hodge podge of small commercial

developments typical of so many

other areas in the county." The

latest plans he said, call for an

automobile dealership, a PEPCO

substation and a highway ramp.

the Golden Triangle," he said, "are

not the kind that are supportive

of quality development for the re-

maining land. The loss of so much

land to these inconsequential uses

will rule out a number of uses

that require more land than is

now available. It is a sad commen-

tary on this county's efforts to

achieve quality development when

number one ranking for sewer au-

thorization is given to an automo-

Weidenfeld also noted that the

He ended on the strong words,

We be-

If this county truly wants qual-

ity development, it must fight for

lieve the Golden Triangle is the

battlefield and that it is long past

time for the county government to

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lead to "quality development."

The planning board said that the sed the city's reservations regardapproval was a routine matter in that it was reiterating the same conditions that had been imposed before. One major condition was that there must be a review by the planning board of the site plan for each parcel prior to the releasing of a building permit. In technical language, this means a site andreis in regard to possible natural development constraint. Conditions

A spokesman for MNCPPC gave the following example. At the building permit stage, the urban design section of MNCPPC would review the types of architecture and colors being planned. This is considered important because the 57-acre Golden triangle - located along Greenbelt Road between the Capital Beltway and Kenilworth Ave. is a highly visible area.

Another condition laid down by the planners is that the MNCPPC staff in its review must consult with the city of Greenbelt.

As for the decision to shift the proposed preliminary site for the Capitol Cadillac of D.C. auto agency, the planning board saw no problems. Such a move is considered necessary so that Capitol Cadillac would not find itself in the position of being in the way of a highway ramp if the State Highway Administration decides to eliminate the current Southway entrance to the Parkway Baltimore-Washington and carve out a new entrance at the eastern end of the Golden Triangle. This would permit traffic moving west on Greenbelt Rd, to connect with the southbound lane of the B-W Parkway.

In connection with the latter, the subdivision plan was modified at the Oct. 14 meeting to allow additioned land for the ramp. The latest from the State Highway Administration (SHA) is that possibly 7 to 9 acres may be needed. Complicating the problem is the location of the PEPCO unmanned substation which may take up to 1.5 acres in the same area.

The city council had asked for disapproval of the plan because of the traffic effects of the ramp, the piecemeal approach to development of the tract, lack of access to cityowned property, and possible maintenance problems for a pond and landscaping area.

With respect to the latter item. MNCPPC said that this portion of the land will be separately-maintained and owned by the owner, Kenneth H. Michael Companies. The pond has the two-fold purpose of storm water retention and

At Monday's council meeting, councilman Dick Pilski commented that it was odd that MNCPPC insists upon an overall development plan for Beltway Plaza, but not for the Golden Trangle

Council Protests

In a letter to the county delegation to the State legislature re-leased last last week, Greenbelt Mayor Gil Weidenfeld on behalf of council objected to the proposed SHA purchase of the Golden Triangle acreage. Besides questioning the need for substituting the Golden Triangle ramp for the Southway entrance, Weidenfeld foresaw added traffic congestion for Greenbelt streets and the Greenbelt Road-Kenilworth intersection. He noted that the ramp is not part of any approved plan.

He also protested the fact that SHA acted without consulting the city. It was further noted that if the land is not used for the ramp it might be sold back to private interests at a time when it would be less suitable for quality development than if it had remained part of the larger tract.

Wants Quality Development

Earlier in a letter to county ex-ecutive Winfield M. Kelly and the county council, Weidenfeld expres-

Employee Pension Plan Amended by GHI Board

by Miriam Cornelius

Employees of Greenbelt Homes, stand to benefit through amendments to the existing pension plan adopted by the board of directors on Oct. 14. Director James R. Foster, chairman of the finance committee, presented the proposal, which is the product of years or more of study,

The committee recommended that the contract with Bankers Life Company be continued in amended Comptroller Don McGinn submitted a detailed tabulation showing for each employee the monthly pension which would be due at age 65 under the present plan and under the proposed plan. Most employees would receive higher pensions under the proposed plan - some of them substantially higher - according to this tabulation. The action taken by the board provides that no one would draw a lesser pension.

As the matter had been given careful study and discussed by the board at previous meetings, the committee's recommendation was quickly adopted. This provides for retirement credit up to 30 years of service, based on 1.5 percent of average salary. In addition the new retirement plan will provide for term life insurance equal to twice the annual salary of the employee.

Deferral of Increases -

On the method of financing a program of defepred increases in monthly charges for certain elderly GHI members, director Foster said the finance committee was ready to recommend that funds for financing the program be taken from other earned income of the corporation; that the principal and interest be returned to it; and that the criteria for eligibiliy "be those proposed by the GHI Member and Community Relations committee, which are understood to be the same as those of the City of Greenbelt."

On motion of director Ted Byerly the motion was amended to require that the amount to be so expended be shown in the annual budget for each year. The amendment was adopted and the amended motion passed without dissent.

Other Matters

GHI president James Smith reported that the Director of Maintenance George Craft was separated two weeks ago and the board is reviewing this action.

Management submitted a memorandum on hospitalization insurance for GHI employees, of which the corporation pays 65 percent and the employee 35 percent. Manager Roy Breashears pointed out that when the current contract with Blue Cross-Blue Shield expires at the end of 1976 there will be a sharp rise in premiums which will increase the corporation's share by almost \$10,000 a year. The board agreed that other systems of hospitalization insurance should be explored.

During the remainder of the seson, which was adjourned by 9:30 p.m., the board listened patiently to member requests and reached decisions involving in one case presale inspection of a GHI home and in the other the size and location of an addition.

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