# Greenbelt News Review

GREENBELT, MARYLAND

Thursday, January 18, 1979

## Representatives of Many Groups Gather To Explore Post Office Site Options

by Leta Mach

The Cannon House Office Building on Friday, January 12, was the scene of a frank, often far-sighted discussion of the postal service's desire to build a new facility at Parkway and Crescent. Four proposed alternatives were also discussed. Almost two dozen individuals gathered around a large hearing room table: on one side sat representatives from the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) and the United States Postal Service. On the other side sat representatives of the city, Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI), the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC), and Prince Georges County Program Planning and Economic Development (PPED). The meeting had been arranged under the auspices of Congresswoman Gladys Spellman who sat at the head of the table.

Resulting from the meeting was the agreement by postal officials to request their superiors to look further into the costs and possible sites for a separation of post office functions. The city will examine the impact on parking within the community if the present facility should be expanded or the Candy Cane City site used instead.

Although Spellman said she did not want to dictate the site, she also said she would be saddened to see the close of the present facility. Art Yeager, Spellman's press secretary, felt she would call for a "full investigation if there is a possibility of having to move it out of the shopping center." Greenbelt's unique position as the first planned community and fears that the proposed post office move would adversely affect the character of the town were expressed again and again by most of those present.

Mayor pro tem Gil Weidenfeld, who handled Greenbelt's side of the table with help from Councilman Thomas White and City Manager James Giese, listed the city's objections to the Parkway site: (1) the adverse effect on the commercial center, (2) the possible commercialization of the Parkway area, and (3) the exacerbation of Parkway traffic problems. He noted that many citizens had appeared before council to express their concerns.

Designed as a walking community, Greenbelt was built with a center mall to serve as the social community and commercial center. Weidenfeld called the post office one of the basic ingredients of this core, the removal of which would be "devastating." Although post office officials feel the Parkway site is ideal because it is only a five minute walk from the center, others present felt it would be too far for many individuals and could eliminate some spur of the moment shopping which occurred when residents were using the post of-

David Richards, NCPC, felt the parkway site would be more caroriented. He reflected on Greenbelt' similarity with other older areas, where such an orientation gradually kills the small shopping

Weidenfeld also expressed concern that a post office at Parkway might be the impetus to tear down the nearby apartments and put up commercial or high rise apartments. He was afraid history, in particular Greenbelt's place in the planning books, might be destroyed. GHI Manager Royal Breashears concurred, noting that many heads of state and university classes have visited Greenbelt. Spellman said she would hate to see more history destroyed and suggested "we do everything we can to keep it vi-

Breashears explained that GHI was not anxious to sell the 1.39 acres at Parkway but that GHI members had understood Greenbelt would lose the post office other-

Because of the strong community desire to maintain the post office in the commercial center, four alternatives to the Parkway site have been suggested: (1) the separation of postal functions with customer services remaining in the center and distribution located elsewhere, (2) limited expansion of the existing building, (3) the use dy Cane City site. At the meeting, the postal service handed out a report containing its justification of the proposed project and analyses of the alternatives. (See story next week.)

Separation of Services

By far the most satisfactory alternative from the city viewpoint is the separation of post office services. However, the postal service terms such "a split operation totally unacceptable" in view of space and other operating costs. On the basis of their analysis, the postal service has determined in terms of space costs that "over a ten year period a split operation in Greenbelt would cost the postal service \$175,000 more than constructing a new main office." However, this figure was computed on the basis of constructing the distribution facility on Parkway. Weidenfeld indicated that the city would not be amenable to locating a distribution facility at Parkway. He and other officials present felt the postal service could find cheapcommercial land, perhaps even surplus school property elsewhere, and construct a less expensive distribution facility there.

George Dennison, postal service representative, felt the availability of such "cheaper" land was debatable. Postal officials also objected because running vehicles back and forth from a distant distribution facility would cost more See POST OFFICE, page 8, col. 1

### Kent Junior High School Recommended for Closing

Task Force II-B will recommend the closing of Kent Junior High school and the renovation of Bladensburg junior high when it makes its final report to the Prince Georges County Board of Education. A lop-sided vote of 17 "yes," 0 "No," and 2 abstentions would indicate there was no strong opposition to the proposal. Early on in its study the group had voted to concentrate on those two schools.

Following an all-Saturday tour of the seven schools in the study area, members determined that Kent and Bladensburg had substandard physical plants.

# Record Plat Approval Given for New Shopping Plaza East of Parkway, Annexation Considered

by Elaine Skolnik

In an unexpected move, the Prince Georges County Planning Board on Thursday afternoon, January 11, approved the record plat for the 34-acre Greenbelt East tract located just outside the city limits - south of Greenbelt Road, between Hanover Parkway extended on the east and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway on the west. That evening the Greenbelt City Council, in a work session initiated by the developer, Western Development Corporation, added another ingredient to the mix of issues concerning the 26-acre shopping center portion of the tract, when the possibility of annexation was explored. Office park development is slated for the remaining 8 acres.

At the earlier meeting, Western Development requested consideration of the Greenbelt East record plat in order to be able to make final financial arrangements. City Manager James K. Giese on Jan-

uary 9 learned of this request from to Greenway. Therefore, in order the developer's attorney just two days before the meeting . Immediately he advised the Maryland National Capital Park and Panning Commission (MNCPPC) that city representatives would appear at the Planning Board hearing. The city was informed that discussion on the item would come up about 2

On January 11, however, when it became apparent that the Planning Board would complete is business well before 2 p.m., a staff member of MNCPPC called the city for its comments. He was informed that the city council wanted (1) the Planning Board to postpone the agenda item and (2) to convey its concerns as to whether or not condition #2, imposed by the Planning Board at the time of the preliminary plan hearing in December 1977, has been proper.

Condition #2 required Western Development to use Hanover Parkway as the major access to the shopping center (Greenway). This was also required by the State Highway Administration. Hanover Parkway however, is not adjacent

to satisfy the condition, an access road to commercially zoned Greenway would have to run through the residentially zoned 5.1 acres of land owned by Smith-Ewing (with Western Development as contract purchasers). The city questions whether this violates a county zoning ordinance. At the time of the preliminary plan hearing, Giese raised the question as to whether the Planning Board was not in effect making decisions affecting the development and zoning of the 5acre parcel without that property being the subject of the preliminary

In approving the record plat on January 11, the Planning Board did not accede to the city's request for a postponement, but did delete condition #2. Eight other conditions dealing with road requirements and square footage limitations remain. A spokesman for MNCPPC said the developers must comply with these conditions prior to the issuance of a building permit.

Although condition #2 has been removed Western Development is See GREENWAY, page 2, col. 1

### Council Faces Tough Decision On National Historic Register

by Elaine Skolnik

At its January 22 meeting, the Greenbelt City Council will attempt to determine those portions of original Greenbelt that it feels should be recommended for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. Up for consideration are all or part of the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. area, the commercial center, the park areas including the lake, the cemeteries and Greenbelt Junior High School. Council has previously discussed the issue at a meeting on January 8 and at a work session with GHI on January 9.

The National Register is the official inventory of the nation's properties that merit preservation because of their significance in American history, architecture, archeology and culture. It includes all properties designated by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior as National Historic Landmarks, and other properties of national, state, and local significance. (See article on National Register.)

In November GHI Board Member Donald Volk appeared before Council to ask for city support of its application for inclusion on the Register of the GHI area and possibly other portions of Greenbelt. "Greenbelt belongs on the National Register," said Volk. "It is a milestone in town planning." GHI hopes to qualify for special federallyinsured rehabilitation loans as a result of the historic designation. There is also the possibility that owners of the commercial center and other property might be eligible under the Tax Reform Act of 1976 for tax incentives offered for rehabilitation of historic structures.

At the time of Volk's original presentation, City Manager James Giese pointed out one disadvantage for the city: "If such a designation were achieved, any public improvements within that designated area involving federal or state grants would require special historic review prior to the projects being approved. At present, however, the historic review at the federal level can only result in recommendations being made and not in determining whether or not a grant should be approved. In some instances an historic review could be a delaying factor in obtaining grant approval." Giese also says that listing in the National Register could mean closer design control in the future.

### January 8 Meeting

Giese on January 8 recommended for inclusion in the Register all of the original planned community area, including the commercial center and park areas. He questioned the merit of designating the frame homes as historical property since, he said, "This area was not part of the original planned community."

Mayor Richard Pilski saw no basis for including the frame homes. He also questioned the motivation of GHI in seeking to have the frame homes listed in the register. 'We have to be true to ourselves as to why it's being done," he said, apparently referring to GHI's seeking of grants for rehabilitation.

Jack Steiffer charged that GHI wanted the "money." "I want restoration," he said, "not rehabilita-

Although most everyone agreed that the inclusion of the frame homes was debatable, the majority of council felt that the homes should be listed.

Councilman Thomas White and Volk thought that since the frame homes were built on land that was part of the planned community, they should be included. Volk said: The original plans for Greenbelt showed additional housing in the north end."

Councilman Charles Schwan added that the frame homes had historic significance since they were constructed by the federal government during World War II, "an historic period."

Councilman Richard Castaldi said

### WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., Jan. 18, 8 p.m. Open Meeting on Schools, Lesley Kreimer, Center School Media

Mon., Jan. 22, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Thurs., Jan. 25, 8 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

he had "no difficulty in accepting the frames as an extension to the concept." He wondered, however, how inclusion of the frames in the Register would affect rehabilita-

Pilski, still unconvinced, asked Katherine Keene, who earlier had spoken in favor of listing Greenbelt on the Register for her opinion. In response, she pointed out that more important than the buildings was the planning concept. "The important innovative parts of the planned community," she said, "were the superblocks and courts, group heating systems, parklets, the orientation of the homes with the private areas (garden side) in the back. The frames," she said, "are compatible to that design . . . they are a continuation of original Greenbelt to that extent."

Keene also observed that the listing of Greenbelt in the National Register would support the city's position to maintain the character of the community.

Herbert Jones, a frame homeowner, was fearful that GHI members would not be able to remodel their homes as they wished. Would members be as free as in the past to alter siding, color, or windows or to design their own additions? Jones alerted council to a dispute

See HISTORIC, page 5, col. 4



### AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1979

8:00 P.M.

- 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

### III. OLD BUSINESS

- 9. Re-Zoning Petition A-9313, Smith-Ewing Proper-
- 10. Designation of Original Portion of Greenbelt on the National Register of Historic Places
- 11. Greenbelt Post Office Relocation.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

- 12. Authorization to Undertake Condemnation for Easement for Baltimore-Washington Parkway Overpass.
- 13. Bid Awards -Chipper Portable Bleachers
- 14. Possible Closing of Greenbelt Junior High - Status
- 15. Braden Field Status Report
- V. MISCELLANEOUS

Note: Preliminary Agenda sub-

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### GREENWAY Con't.

still interested in acquiring the 5acre parcel if the land can be rezoned C-S-C (commercial shopping center) from R-R (rural residential). If this zoning is granted, the developers will build an access road to connect Hanover Parkway to Greenway.

Gerald Dillon, vice president of Western Development recently indicated that the best use of the 5acre parcel would be a "dinner house" or perhaps a small professional center, which he felt was a logical extension of the shopping center concept. Another possible use being considered is a full service gas station.

Council has not formally acted on the rezoning petition although at previous work sessions the majority of council appeared to be ready to turn down the request. They considered road facilities inadequate in the area without the improvement of the Greenbelt-Kenllworth intersection.

#### Annexation

In the informal council work session on January 11, several councilmen, city staff and representatives of Western Development, including its president and vice president, discussed the advantages and disadvantages of annexation. The matter will be explored further, with Giese and Assistant City Manager Dennis Piendak meeting with representatives of Western Development to draw up proposals for future discussions.

From the point of view of the city, Greenbelt will receive no benefits (taxes) from any development on Greenway since the land is not within the city borders. At the same time, council points out, the city will be faced with jurisdictional and maintenance problems relating to roads. Hanover Parkway, designated as the principal access to the shopping center, runs for 1100 feet through Greenbelt land, but would not serve the Greenbelt population. Additionally a proposed street at the southern end of the commercial property would not line up with Ora Glen Road, running west from Windsor Green.

The city contends that annexation would broaden the city's tax base and permit the city to have more influence in the development of the commercial tract. For Wes-Development, annexation would provide city assistance for developer's proposals before county agencies and for public improvements such as roads, and police

Developmental plans for Greenway show 220,000 sq. ft. of retail commercial that will include a 56,-700 sq. ft. Safeway, several restaurants, a drugstore and other retail establishments.

### Inspection Law Expanded

Used trucks, tractors, trailers, and tractor-trailers being resold in Maryland as of January 1 are subject to the state's inspection law.

Formerly limited to passenger cars; "light" trucks, such as pickup trucks, camping and travel trailers, and van-pools, the scope of the inspection law has been expanded in accordance with House Bill 435 enacted at the 1978 session of the Maryland General Assembly. Exempt from the new inspection requirement, under a provision of the new law, are mobile homes (house trailers) over 35 feet in length.

Only authorized inspection stations marked with a "C" on their station signs will be equipped to conduct the new inspections. Vehicle owners should call 247-9164 or 486-3101, extension 390, for the location of such an inspection station in their vicinity,

#### THANKS To the Editor:

Sincere appreciation to those who were so thoughtful at the time of my accident on Christmas day. Special thanks to the fellows of Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department Rescue Squad, for their help

(TLC) and assistance in an emer-

Florence O. Rogers

#### THANKS

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the following people who were so kind to me after my recent accident: The Ladies of Charity ot St. Hugh's Church, and Sister Catherine, my neighbors who cooked for me: Mrs. Virginia Wheeler, Mrs. Helen Supple, Margaret and Clara Brandt and Mrs. Linda White, and Cecil Batson of Ben Franklin for her beautiful basket of fruit.

Helen Ellis

### Mishkan Torah Sisterhood

Sylvia Hendel, home economist, will speak at the Mishkan Torah Sisterhood meeting on Thurs., Jan. 25 at 9 p.m. Her topic will cover "What You Do When a Person Who Keeps Kosher Comes To Din-The social hour starts at 8 p.m. Interested persons are in-

### Baha'is to Celebrate **World Religion Day**

The Baha'is of Greenbelt invite the public to attend an International Family Film Festival in observance of World Religion Day, January 20. The program will be held at the Greenbelt Youth Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. The films shown will be in accordance with the theme of international children and world religions, highlighting the universality of both. Refreshments will be served. There is no charge.

### Transcendental Meditation

A free public introductory lecture on the Transcendental Meditation (TM) Program will be given Tues., Jan. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library. The lecture will be given by Pauline Martin and Mark Stickels, two Greenbelt residents and TM teachers. The lecture will begin with a short film on the TM program and professional sports, followed by a discussion.

TM practitioners are invited to see this new film and learn more about Greenbelt's free TM followup program. For more information call Pauline Martin at 387-

### NOW CR Groups

Applications are now being accepted for Feminist Consciousness Raising groups, sponsored by the National Organization for Women (NOW). The 10-week groups will meet at various times and locations in Montgomery and Prince Georges County, and offer an opportunity for women to share common experiences and problems. For further information, call Dorothy Sucher, Maryland Consciousness Raising Coordinator 345-9421 in the

### Open Meeting on Schools

School Board Member Lesley Kreimer will hold an open meeting in the media center of Center School tonight, January 18 at 8 p.m. Kreimer invites concerned Greenbelters to come and discuss the School closing task force areas and any other concerns about the local schools.

#### Church Music Program January 21

Greenbelt Baptist Church will have the Victorymen Quartet in a special music program on Sunday evening, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. They are gospel singers from the College Park Wesleyan Church. The public is inivted to attend.

### C.P.R. CLASSES

How many Greenbelt residents have lost a loved one from a heart attack, choking, drowning, drug overdose, suffication, auto accidents, allergic reactions and electric shock? A good defense is to learn C.P.R. (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation). Learn how to save a life, don't be a helpless bystander, learn what to do, be the one that helps! Learn to breathe and provide circulation for the "Sudden Death" (cardiac arrest) victim. The Greenbelt Rescue Squad can arrive at the scene of any emergency within 'five minutes'. But, "irreversible brain damage" can occur within 'four minutes'. Learn this "Basic Life Support", use it until help arrives.

Interested individuals can take a free course in C.P.R. Greenbelt has an on-going program. Courses are given on Tues, and Wed, at the following locations: 2nd week of the month at Greenbelt Center School; 3rd week, at SHL Elementary school and 4th week at E. Roosevelt Senior High School. Times are from 7 - 10:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Call the Greenbelt Recreation Department, Mon. thru Fri., 9 - 5 p.m., 474-6878.

### Equipment for Visually Impaired Now Available

The Prince Georges County Memorial Library System's Division for the Visually and Physically Handicapped at the Hyattsville Library, 6530 Adelphi Road has recently acquired a Thermoform Brailon Duplicator and a large print typewriter both available for public use.

Both pieces of equipment were generously provided by the International Innovations for the Blind, a non-profit organization for the visually impaired.

For further information on the use of either the duplicator or LP typewriter, call the Division for the Visually and Physically Handicapped at 779-9330.

### At the Library

A comic costume contest and a visit from Superman and the Justice League will be held on Sat., Jan. 27, at 2 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library. All ages are welcome. For details call 345-5800.

People should come in their favorite super hero comic costume. Prizes will be awarded for the best

The monthly meeting of the Greenbelt Library Book Discussion Group on Thurs., Jan. 25 at 10:15 p.m. will feature The Harvest, by Meyer Levin. Viewing the birth of the state of Israel through the involvement of a family with roots in Europe and relatives in the United States, this engrossing novel projects an intense feeling of "you are there". For information, check at the library information desk or phone 345-5800.

The book discussion group "Lobsters" continues to meet at the library on Mondays. Ages 6-9 gather at 3:45-4:15 p.m. and ages 10-12 follow from 4:15-5 p.m.

### DR. NELSON C. LEE

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794-7733 Hours by Appointment Aero Space Building 10210 Greenbelt Rd. Suite 110 Seabrook, Md. 20801

### MOWATT MEMORIAL

United Methodist Church 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410 Church School 9:30-10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m. (Cribbery and Nursery provided) Sermon:

"Mickey-Mouse Morality" Rev. Clifton D. Cunningham Pastor - 474-3381

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

> 8 a.m. Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Rev. John G. Bals, Rector 422-8057

### Bahar Faith

In observance of WORLD RELIGION DAY You are invited to an

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY FILM FESTIVAL GREENBELT YOUTH CENTER

Saturday, January 20 - 7:30 p.m. For information phone

474-4090 345-2918

### Greenbelt Community Church

(United Church of Christ)

Hillside and Crescent Roads - Phone 474-6171 (mornings)

Sunday Church School for all - 9:45 Worship Service - 11 a.m.

Nursery provided at 2B Hillside

Rev. Sherry Taylor and Rev. Harry Taylor, co-pastors

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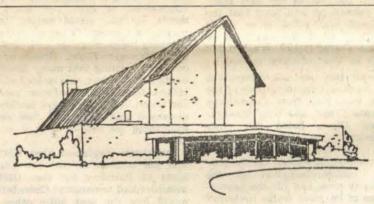
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Bible Study for all ages (Sun)

9:45 am 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Worship services Mid-week prayer service (Wed.) 8:00 pm

For bus transportation, call Church office 8:30-12:30 weekdays.



# Holy Cross Lutheran Church

### 6905 Greenbelt Road

Worship Services: 8:80 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday School: 9:50 a.m.

Weekday Nursery School: 9-11:30 a.m. Edward H. Birner, Pastor Phone 345-5111

### Special Populations Class Offering

The objective of this program is to offer a variety of recreational developmental activities suited to the interests, abilities and limitations of the city's special populations - e.g. the mentally retarded, physically handicapped, elderly, etc.

### LET'S-PLAY-TO-GROW

15 - Two Hour Sessions - \$30.00 per family A source of play, sharing and adventure from the Joseph

P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation. Conducted in a group setting, led by trained recreation

specialists, LET'S PLAY TO GROW offers a wide variety of family activities, games, sports and creative experiences which can be shared with special children of every age.

You and your special child take part in 30 hours of fun, play and creative activity. Activities conducted will extend from the simplest forms of infant stimulation to family games and adventures like volleyball, hiking, dancing and painting.

For every hour of participation, your child fills in or colors an illustrated square on the LET'S-PLAY-TO-GROW "I'm a Winner" Chart provided each registrant.

When 30 hours are completed, your child receives a Kennedy Foundation Certificate of Achievement for the whole family signed by one of ten celebrity athletes of his choice and a handsome press-on patch with the picture of the child's hero selected.

LET'S-PLAY-TO-GROW can be credited at home if unforseen absence from scheduled sessions should occur.

SHL Rec. Center - Sat., 10 a.m. - 12n. - Family - Staff Call the Recreation Department, weekdays 9 am - 5 pm, 474-6878, for registration and information.

### GREENBELT SCHOOLS, 1979: Greenbe't Junior High

by Barbara Likowski

"The attitude and spirit at Greenbelt Junior High school is phenomenal" says Principal Charles Post. New this year as principal, Post found "super kids" and a "faculty that won't quit." These sentiments were echoed by faculty member John LaPolla who was enthusiastic about the morale of the students and staff. Post and LaPolla are the school's faculty representatives on Task Force I-B.

(Other schools on the task force are: Buck Lodge, Hyattsville, Mt. Rainier, Nicholas Orem & Rollingcrest.) At its January meeting the task force voted to recommend that none of the schools in its area be closed. However, a minority fearful that if the task force failed to recommend a school for closing that the administration would choose one, has decided to submit a minority report recommending a school to be closed if it were actually necessary to close one.

Tour

Before the January 3 meeting, a tour through the school was given by enthusiastic student guides. About half the faculty members seemed to be present that night and most were eager to tell about their rooms and programs.

This reporter was impressed by the seeming good condition of the school which was built in 1937 as Greenbelt's high school. Additions were made in 1945; '53, '57, '62 and '69. Not having seen—the school for several years, a certain amount of deterioration was expected. However, the building looked to be in an improved condition from what this

Parent Discussion Group

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Parent Discussion Group will be Wed. Jan. 24, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Greenbelt Baptist Church. The group will discuss self-esteem. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Betty Hughes at 474-8458.

### W. Amonett to Speak To Democratic Club

The regular monthly meeting of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will be held at 8 p.m. Fri., Jan. 19 at the Greenbriar Community Bldg. A short buisness meeting will be conducted, followed by the guest speaker, County Council Chairman, William B. Amonett, There will be refreshments folowing the program.

Members and friends are reminded that plans are being made for the annual Legislative Dinner, tentatively scheduled for March 20 in Annapolis.

### Police Blotter

Complaints have been received regarding people firing guns in the wooded areas of Greenbelt. In numerous cases it has been found that BB guns are being fired by children. Residents are reminded that it is against city ordinances to fire any weapon within the city limits. Parents should caution their children in the use of these weapons to prevent injury to themselves and others.

A 24-year old non-resident was apprehended by Sgt. Faulconer when she attempted to purchase a forged prescription from the Consumer Pharmacy. She was transported to Hyattsville and taken before a Court Commissioner, then released on personal recognizance,

A vehicle stolen from a used car lot in Hyattsville was recovered by Cpl. Stair and returned to its owner. Another reported stolen from Hillside Road was recovered by county police in Lanham. A car stolen from Lakeside Drive was recovered by the county police after it had been involved in an accident in West Lanham.

Police applicant interviews were scheduled for Jan. 18. There are three vacancies in the department. One is the additional position allotted to the department in this year's budget; the other two are due to recent resignations. PFC Paul Duprat resigned effective January 13, to accept a position with a police department in Vermont. Officer Marr Sappington's resignation will be effective January 19. He will take over a family business on the Eastern Shore.

reporter had remembered.

Classrooms were neat and clean, the halls light and airy. Shop, sewing rooms and kitchen were especially so. The shop programs offered were impressive, even including making bricks and bricklaying. A universal gym, weightlifting room and large gymnasium seemed to be well used by members of the community, many of whom were present that evening taking part in activities. The student guides informed us that the students had cooperated to earn the price of one of the large pieces of equipment in the exercise room.

According to Post there is room for expansion. They plan to install new flourescent lighting in the halls, the front halls are already well illuminated; none were dark and dreary. Post pointed to the facilities available including a large library and multipurpose room.

The school is big enough that generally the students can be separated in the various wings by grade levels. This helps greatly with discipline which is not a great problem at Greenbelt, Post says, and the school does not have or need a discipline room such as is currently being used in some of the county secondary schools. There is a low-key activity room staffed by an "outstanding" faculty member.

Athletic Fields

Outside the school Greenbelt has 6 softball fields, 2 soccer fields, and a baseball diamond. After school hours these are mainly used by a tri-dimensional team consisting of

#### **GHI NOTES**

GHI Board and staff members have been taking instruction in CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation), January 16 and 23.

The long Range Planning Committee will meet on Wednesday, January 24, to discuss future areas of concern to the committee and to establish priorities.

The regular board meeting will be on Thursday, January 25. All meetings are in the Board Room on Hamilton Place, 8 p.m.

### Greenbelt CARES

On Jan. 9, CARES sponsored a media presentation/discussion for the youth of Greenbelt as a part of CARES' outreach program under the guidance of Jim Holmes, Juvenile Counselor. This week's program included four films — "Lonelines and Loving," "Double Talk," "Tell-Tale Heart," and the Marx Brothers' "The Jewel Thieves," These programs are scheduled every two weeks.

Berwyn Heights, College Park and Springhill Lake. In a cooperative manner these groups meet with the principal and plan the use of the fields. Teams from old Greenbelt have used the fields, also.

Student Population

Greenbelt Junior High has at present 796 students of whom 467 are bused in and 329 are walkers. About half of the walkers are from Greenbelt (Springhill Lake). 43.2% of the students are black. The school is listed as being 66.6% utilized since capacity is listed as 1,195. However at present five classrooms are being used as the Northern Area Pupil Services Center.

Other Schools

How does GJHS compare with other schools in the task force? Buck Lodge has 953 students, 848 of whom are bused with 105.9% utilization. Mt. Rainier has 535 walkers none bused and a utilization of 67.7%. The others fall in between with Greenbelt listed as the least utilized in the group. However, Greenbelt has the most room for expansion and seeming good facilities inside and out.

With 33.8 acres (the standard for county junior highs is 20 acres). Greenbelt seems to have plenty of room for outside activities. This is not the case in Hyattsville, the newest of the schools in the study group. — which has only 9.8 acres. Buck Lodge has 24.5 acres, Rollingcrest 22, Nicholas Orem 16.3 and Mt. Rainier 11.1.

Greenbelt has also the largest potential pupil capacity of the schools in I-B - 1195 — Buck Lodge, 900, Mt. Rainier 790, Hyattsville, 765, Nicholas Orem 700 and Rollingerest 655.

According to LaPolla Greenbelt Junior High has the best energy use in the study area and the second best in the county.

### Recreation Review

Weight Lifting Club Members

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Many members' cards have expired. In order to continue membership they must be renewed.

Winter Class Openings

There are still openings in some winter classes which begin during the week of January 22: Tap Dance, YC, Mon., 3-4 p.m., 6 & over; Tumbling, YC, Fri., 5-6 p.m., 6-12 years; SHLRC, Sat., 3-4 p.m., 6-12 years; Crocheting, YC, Thu., 10-11:30 a.m., Adult; Disco Dance, YC, Thu., 8-9 p.m., 16 & over; Pottery, YC, Mon., 7:30-9:30 p.m., 16 & over; YC, Tue., 7:30-9:30 p.m., 16 & over; YC, Tue., 7:30-9:30 p.m., 16 & over;

Call the Greenbelt Recreation Department for further information, 474-6878.

CARL E. ZENTZ, ESQ. 6801 Kenilworth Avenue Riverdale, Maryland 20840 864-1300

Assignee's Sale of Valuable Improved Real Property

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain Mortgage from Charles Stocks and Catherine Stocks, his wife, dated February 5, 1965, and recorded among the Land Records of Prince George's County, Maryland, in Liber 3103 at folio 485, et seq., which Mortgage has been duly assigned to the undersigned for the purposes of foreclosure, default having occurred under the terms thereof, and at the request of the party secured thereby, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction on the subject property situated at 1804 Palmer Road, Oxon Hill, Maryland 20022, on Monday, January 22, 1979, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. all of that property in said Mortgage described as follows:

Beginning for the same at an iron pipe in the northeast line of the original tract of which the herein described parcel is a portion, more particularly said pipe lies N. 51° 35′ W. 187.15 feet from a pipe at the end of the original tract, running thence with a portion of the aforesaid northeast outline (1) N. 51° 35′ W. 200 feet to an iron pipe, thence with the division line now being established (2) S. 39° 4′ W. 612.10 feet to the south line of said whole, witnessed by an iron pipe lying S. 39° 4′ W. 1.27 feet therefrom, then with said whole original tract, (3) S. 68° 45′ E. 211 feet to a point witnessed by an iron pipe lying S. 38° 58′ W. 10.24 feet therefrom, thence (4) N. 38° 58′ E. 549.78 feet to the place of beginning containing two and sixty-seven hundredths (2.67) acres. Being part of a larger tract called "Wood Cot".

Property subject to all covenants, restrictions and easements of record, if any.

Said property improved by a one-story dwelling consisting of six (6) rooms, and known as 1804 Palmer Road, Oxon Hill, Maryland 20022.

TERMS OF SALE: A cash deposit of \$10,000.00 will be required at the time of sale, the balance to be payable in cash within Five (5) days after ratification of the sale by the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, Maryland, with interest on said balance from the date of sale to date of settlement, at the rate of twelve percent (12%).

All adjustments will be made as of the date of sale, including the front foot benefit charges of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, which will be adjusted for the current year to the day of sale and therafter assumed by the Purchaser.

CARL E. ZENTZ Assignee

### Stidham Bldg. Construction Update: Extr. Work Resumes

by Leta Mach

Street construction has resumed for the Stidham-Nationwide Office Building after the city lifted its stop-work order. Work was halted for about a month in late November- early December so that questions about property lines, the location of a roadway easement and storm drainage could be resolved.

City Manager James Giese explained that he became concerned when it was discovered that the building was set about one foot off its designated position on the site plans. Because there were discrepancies among the street plans, the building plans and a previous survey, a new survey was done to properly designate the property line between the city and Stidham-Nationwide.

Another problem concerned the location of the easement for the Springhill Lake cut-off between Edmonston Road and Kenilworth Avenue just south of the 2.45 acre parcel. The easement for this city street was granted fifteen years ago by Stidham and the road was built by the Springhill Lake Developers. However, the street is not located properly within the easement. Therefore the easement is being revised to conform to the actual situation.

On a third matter, the storm drainage work was submitted to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC), which accepted part of the work and required that some be redone.

Giese stated that he had issued the stop-work order so as to be certain that the curb, gutter and sidewalks being built for the city were located properly. As another condition of their permit from the city, the developers must also improve Edmonston Road along their property line by widening the street.

Tenants Move In

William Corrigan of Nationwide stated that half of the four-story, 41,000 square-foot building has been occupied. The building is centered on the property, with drives on both sides connecting the parking areas. Nationwide Insurance Company has moved into the first floor, and its drive-in claims window is open. Colonial Mortgage and Polygram have taken over almost half of the second floor. Although the third floor has been leased, it has not yet been

occupied. Owens-Corning and Walsh Construction are located on the fourth floor. In about two weeks, the final suite on that floor should be ready for a group of attorneys and accountants.

One entranceway has been finished and the other will be done as soon as the weather permits. The parking lot has been paved and striped. A final finishing coat of two inches should be laid in the spring. Some grading needs to be done in front of the building and the hill has to be sodded. After the sidewalks and gutters are finished in the front, a straw mulch would probably be put down with sodding done in the spring, Corrigan said.

Because of the extensive grading necessary for the building and parking facilities, it was difficult to save the existing trees. The plans called for replacing these trees after construction. Corrigan said shrubbery had been planted and he felt, "We've just done a lovely job with that."

### Grnblt. Golden Agers Install New Officers

by Blanche Lee

Newly elected officers of the Greenbelt Golden Age Club were installed at the January 3 meeting. They are: president, Ann McDonald; vice president, Madeline Green; second vice president, Bob Dove; recording secretary, Kay Trout; corresponding secretary, Olga Mae Delle; treasurer, Linda Dove. Installing officer was Hank Irving of the Recreation Department.

Appointments to the following committees were also announced: Membership, Claire Quintal; Hospitality, Esther Miller; Welfare, Peg Baldovin; Travel, Delpha Parsons; Bingo, Katie Bassinger, and Publicity, Blanche Lee.

The officers form the executive committee, and together with appointed chairpersons of the standing committees become the Board of Directors. The club looks forward to an active New Year.

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### National Register Lists Nation's Cultural Resources

by Sandra Barnes

The National Register of Historic Places is the official list of the Nation's cultural resources worthy of preservation. One of the advantages of being listed in the Register is that private property owners can then be eligible to be considered for Federal grants-in-aid for historic preservation through State programs. Also, there are certain tax incentives involving historic preservation and rehabilitation as described in the Tax Reform Act of 1976.

The Historical Sites Act of 1935 authorized the Secretary of the Interior, through the National Park Service, to survey sites of exceptional value in United States history. The National Historical Preservation Act of 1966 expanded this mandate and called for a broadened program for the preservation of all cultural property throughout the nation. The role of the Federal government in preservation activities was further emphasized on May 13, 1971, with the signing of Executive Order 11593, entitled "Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment of the Na-

Historic areas may be nominated by the states and the Federal agencies and are placed on the Register by approval of the Secretary of the

The Maryland Historical Trust administers the National Register program within this state.

Before submission to the National Register, all nominations must be approved by a State review board. the Governor's consulting committees, whose membership includes professionals in the field of architecture, history, archaeology, and other disciplines. If the property meets National Register criteria, the application is then sent to the State Clearinghouse, Dept. of State Planning, for comment by appropriate state and local agencies, e.g. the county or city, the Dept. of Economic and Community Development, regional planning councils, and State Highway Administration. This is done to inform these agencles of the location of historic properties that they will have to consider in their planning processes.

Following this, the application is forwarded to the Governor for final review and finally to the National Register of Historic Places, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service, Dept. of the Interior. Final determination and listing on the National Register of Historic Places is completed in Washington.

Criteria for evaluation which pertain to Greenbelt's application include the significance of a planned garden community in American history as well as the architecture and culture associated with the events leading up to the building of Greenbelt in 1937 by the Federal government and the continuation of those

The entire nomination process normally takes from six to twelve

There has been some question as to whether listing in the National Historic Register will have an adverse affect on GHI's rehabilitation

In the handbook "The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation", it states "Rehabilitation work shall not destroy the distinguishing qualities or character of the structure and its environment. The removal or alteration of any historic material or architectural features should be held to a minimum."

GHI does not plan any changes which will affect the architecture of the buildings. The composition shingles proposed for the frame homes will be very much like the asbestos shingles in appearance, although colors will be an option. New windows in the masonry homes and new siding for the block homes would be changes in the architecture. However, in the handbook, it states that "Contemporary design for additions to exdsting structures or landscaping shall not be discouraged if such design is compatible with the size, color, material and character of the neighborhood, structures, or its environment . . . Changes which may have taken place in the course of time are evidence of the history and development of the structure and its environment. The changes

may have acquired significance in their own right and this significance shall be recognized and respected."

At the present time, there is no county, state or Federal law which would prevent GHI from making those changes which are desirable in terms of maintenance savings and energy conservation

In order to qualify for certain tax incentives, the Secretary of the Interior has to certify that the rehabilitation "is consistent with the historic character of the property or the district in which the property is located." In this sense, rehabilitation of historic structures is encouraged. According to board director Don Volk, GHI will attempt to comply with government regulations to take advantage of the tax incentives, loans and grants available with placement on the National Historic Register, but it will not be inhibited from making those changes which the board and management feel are in the best interest of the cooperative.

Board President Jim Smith com-mented that "There are lots of advantages to being on the National Historic Register. If we thought there would be anything adverse to GHI by being on the Register, we wouldn't be asking for it."

### Siding Material Use Subject of Dispute In Mistorie Area

by Mary Lou Williamson

An elderly couple in Ellicott City received help in rehabilitating their home from the Howard County Community Development Division, utilizing federal block grant funds. After the house was insulated, new siding was put on that did not conform to local historic preservation regulations. To replace the original wood clapboard siding would have been considerably more expensive than the amount of funding available, thus aluminum siding was used instead.

According to Howard County Public Information Officer, Barbara Heine, the rehabilitation plans for the exterior of this home should have been reviewed and approved by the county agency that oversees preservation of the 207-year-old community — the Historic District Commission. This county intra-agency dispute has not been resolved.

The Commission was created in 1973 by county legislation, its members appointed by the county executive and its procedures incorporated into county law.

"The Commission's rules, which apply only to building exteriors, are quite stringent," Heine told the News Review, "The Commission is charged with maintaining the architectural integrity of the build-

The historic area, designated under a zoning decision by Howard county in 1974, was accepted for listing on the National Register last summer. (The siding dispute occurred prior to the listing.)

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

CITY OF GREENBELT MARYLAND

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland, invites sealed bids for the furnishing of a variety of playground equipment required for various playgrounds throughout the City. Specifications for the equipment required are available at the Purchasing Office, 25 Crescent Road, phone 474-8052. Bids will be received until 2:00 P.M. Wednesday, February 14, 1979, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.



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over a change in siding material on an older home in the historic district of Ellicott City (see separate story).

Schwan observed that "what is being proposed for the frame homes are conservation measures . . . substitution of a composition shingle for asbestos . . . in appearance they are similar . . . designation on the Register does not mean that homes cannot be rehabilitated . Homes, however, must be rehabilitated in a manner in which they were constructed."

At the January 9 council work session with GHI representatives the matter was rehashed. Relatively little not covered the previous night was covered. There ap-

The Prince Georges Chapter of the American Red Cross now offers free blood pressure screening at the Greenbelt Homes Offices, Hamilton Place, every Wednesday from

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

peared to be a consensus on White's recommendation that the area to be included in the National Register be that which constituted Greenbelt at the time the Federal government withdrew as landlord in 1953 - brick and frame GHI homes, commercial center, parks, athletic fields, apartments existing at the time, churches, schools including Greenbelt Junior High, undeveloped green belt, etc.



### CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

### Notice of Charter Amendment

On January 28, 1979, the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, adopted Charter Amendment Resolution No. 1979-1 (Resolution No. 410), and the following Title of the Resolution is a fair summary of the amend-

### **CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NUMBER 1979-1**

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT ADOPTED PUR-SUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE 11E OF THE CON-STITUTION OF MARYLAND AND SECTION 13 OF ARTICLE 23A OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION AS AMENDED), TITLE "CORPORATION-MUNICIPAL," SUBTITLE "HOME RULE," TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, SAID CHARTER BEING SUBTITLE 40 OF ARTICLE 17 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND (1963 EDITION AS AMENDED) AND CONTAINING IN WHOLE OR IN PART THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, BY RE-NUMBERING SECTION 78, TITLE "SEPARABILITY" TO SECTION 74, "SEPARABILITY" AND BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 73, TITLE "ELDERLY HOUSING ENTERPRISE," TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY OF GREENBELT'S ELDERLY HOUSING FACHLITY SHALL BE OPERATED AS A SEPARATE ENTERPRISE OF THE CITY WITH THE COUNCIL AS ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE CITY MANAGER AS ITS GENERAL MANAGER, THE CITY TREAS-URER AS ITS COMPTROLLER; TO EXEMPT THE ENTERPRISE FROM CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THIS CHARTER BUT SUB-JECT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, MARY-LAND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION AND UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONTRACT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OPERATION OF THE FACILITY.

The above Charter amendment shall become and be considered a part of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, according to the terms of the amendment, in all respects to be effective and observed as such, upon the 27th day of February, 1979, unless on or before the fortieth day after passage, which shall be the 17th day of February, 1979 there shall be presented to the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, or mailed to it by registered mail, a petition for referendum signed by twenty percent or more of the persons qualified to vote in the general election of the City of Greenbelt, requesting that the above Charter amendment be submitted on referendum to the voters of the City of Greenbelt.

A copy of the above Charter Amendment Resolution is posted in the Greenbelt Municipal Building in accordance with the requirements of Section 13(d) of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and may be obtained from the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland - Telephone 474-3870 or 474-8000.

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The city's guide to ice conditions is: YOUNG OR BLACK ICE - 21/2 inches uniform; safe if cautious and no congregating, 4 inches will support the weight of skaters, SKATE AT YOUR OWN RISK. LAYERED OR WHITE ICE - one foot of this kind will support the weight of skaters, SKATE AT YOUR OWN RISK. OLD OR ROTTEN ICE under the above conditions - NO SKATING.

The Recreation Department will attempt to provide assistance at the lake during week days from 4 p.m. until dark and on holidays, Sat. and Sun. from 9 a.m. to dark. No skating will be allowed on the lake after dark. No fires will be allowed at the lake except those provided by the city because of the scarcity of firewood and danger from brush

All skaters and parents should keep in mind the dangers involved in ice sports. A person who falls through the ice is in danger of drowning and freezing if he is not cared for immediately. Alertness to emergency and readiness to help other participants is stressed in such situations. A public telephone is located at the entrance to the Lake Park. For assistance, call 474-5454 for police; 911 for ambu-

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Coast Guard Seaman Apprentice Patrick H. Tompkins, son of Charles and Pat Tompkins, 7-B Crescent, has reported for duty at the Coast Guard Support Center, Governors Island, N.Y. Pat, a 1978 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, enlisted in July 1978.

A funny thing happened at the January 12 duplicate bridge game. Director Tony Pisano, playing his own partner, won first place honors. Ann Pisano and Peg Wainscott were second place winners and newcomers Ann and Andy Keller 3rd.

Air Force Special Agent James S. Graham, has graduated from the USAF Special Investigations Academy at the Pentagon. Agent Graham will now be assigned to the OSI office at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas. His wife, Nancy, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McConnell of Greenbelt.

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James H. Bruns, Coordinator of the Science and Technology Center at Eleanor Roosevelt, participated in the 92nd Annual Convention of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, in December. Bruns served as a panelist discussing "Emerging Cooperative Programs" as they effect the public and non-public school sector.

Congratulations to Greenbelters Carl Choper (member of the News Review staff) and Riki Maeda who were accepted to the Maryland Academy of Sciences Seminar program. This is a weekend seminar program for students who are academically outstanding.

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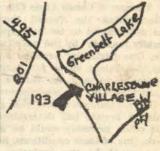
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### Post Office Meeting, CONT.

in terms of gas and dead carrier time. John Lintner, postal service representative, responded negatively to a suggested consolidation of postal functions into a large, central distribution facility serving several satellites because it would cause messy problems in determining supervisors.

On the other hand, Dr. John Churchill, Acting Planning Board Chairman speaking more as a Greenbelt resident, said he objected to maintaining the distribution operation in the center. "You are puting a warehouse in a fragile, historical, convenience shopping center... a prime commercial space."

Summarizing his feelings, Weidenfeld stated: "I think the government owes a certain amount of responsibility to the community" and should not do something simply because it's cheaper. Dennison responded that he was not in a position to say the postal service would subsidize the shopping center.

"The bottom line is dollars" which the customers would eventually pay, Lintner added. But Norman Weyel, GHI Board member, countered: "It is time the powers that be and the post office know that the bottom line is not the money." He explained that Congress was already "pouring tax money into revitalizing old neighborhoods, including GHI."

Expansion

Although the postal service admits that expansion of the present facility may be possible, it did not find it "realistically feasible." Because "complete renovation and partial reconstruction of the building would be required," the postal service feels this alternative would be more expensive than building at Parkway. Churchill agreed that renovation was often more expensive.

Responding to Richards' query about using the basement under the present facility, George Glover, another postal representative, detailed the problems with multistoried buildings and elevators which can break, thus causing delays. Dennison expressed the view that there was no way the facility could be made "operationally feasible like one we design and build." Parking problems with that alternative were also cited and Glover said the post office wanted their own parking spaces for employees.

Weyel countered that employees of any corporation do not get priority parking over customers. Lintner explained that the postal service still had to deal with their unions. Giese was concerned about the postal services' desire for exclusive use of parking space behind the building. According to Dennison about 2,000 extra square feet would be needed.

Theater & Candy Cane City

Renovating the vacant theater was determined to be "not operationally feasible" by the postal service. One particular problem noted was insufficient space for parking and maneuvering. As far as the Candy Cane City site was concerned, however, Dennison stated that prereview has determined a post office probably could be built there. One of their conditions, however, would be the exclusive use of the back half of the parking lot. The postal service has determined that the area is not in a flood plain. However, the postal service also feels this site's current use by Greenbelt citizens and designation as city parkland would preclude its use for a postal facility.

Churchill, again speaking as a Greenbelt resident, explained that he preferred the Parkway site to Candy Cane City in view of its low land, use as a hang-out for vandals, proximity to the redbrick apartments, potential for aggravating the parking situation, and ruining the Labor Day Festival. Don Volk, GHI board member, echoed his sentiments. "The second best site is Parkway," he said. "but the best site is where it is." Weidenfeld reminded those present that the city has not stated it prefers Candy Cane City over Parkway.

In conclusion, Weidenfeld felt a "split would seem optimum" since there would be no impact on the community and it could possibly be less costly. Churchill said he would like to see the postal service do a good, thorough analysis of a splitits cost and inconvenience for the

Post office. Denison said he could request his superiors that an indepth analysis be done but it would cost money and take time — possibly 4-5 months. Richards suggested instead, a quick study coordinated with city council be done, Churchill offered MNCPPC help, especially in finding potential sites. Spellman requested Churchill and Dennison to get together "to see if there is some other way to keep customer services in the center."

Richards later told the News Review that NCPC will delay formal consideration of the site plan originally scheduled for February 1. He felt postal officials and Greenbelt would need to get together one more time to discuss their findings.



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