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Subject: August 17th Format

Dear Mayor Mark,

Good morning. I would like to thank Village Manager Pappalardo and you for answering a few of our questions last night. I would like to address a few points made by the trustees last night.

First, Ms. Veron stated that the decision to engage Ryan was made by a previous board. She is not the first trustee to say this last night and at other Board meetings. Those of you who have stated that the decision was made by another board speak as if that previous board was comprised of people from a faraway planet. With the exception of Ms. Veron, all of you are the previous board. Some of you have been in office since 2010 and have sat not only through the Tyler revaluation but you voted for the Ryan revaluation. Many of you have been on the Board while both Messrs. Gatta and Pappalardo have allowed Ms. Albanese to be a despotic assessor who derides village personnel and who makes fun of residents. For four years, Albanese has behaved like she works for Ryan and not for Scarsdale taxpayers. Having good governance at Village Hall is the fiduciary responsibility of the Mayor and the Board.

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Secondly, Ms. Veron mentioned that trustees have been working very hard since the reval results were announced to get answers to questions. She also stated that the trustees have had the same questions that we the residents have had. If this is true, why did you not announce this at the June 14th meeting? Respectfully, there is absolutely no way that you have had the same question as my team and me. Most of my team works in quantitative and even modeling roles. Even Brice, Nickolai, and I did not know about the missing sales, because initially we were working with the very little information and numbers that were publicly available. It was Josh Frankel who knew where to go do the research and figured this out. If any of you had known about the missing sales as you claimed you did last night, why did you not tell us immediately? If it is true that the trustees have had a lot of questions, why did they not share those questions with residents at multiple meetings? Have you sent the questions to Ryan and Albanese? When? Where is the list?

Ms. Pekarek lectured residents that we should be civil. Which residents specifically have been uncivil? Please provide specific examples. My team and I have been professional. We have researched thoroughly what we state in our comments and what we write in articles. We have spent countless hours on the math and qualitative flaws, not only of the model design, but also in the governance of the whole process as to how you hired Ryan and his associates in a completely unvetted manner. You never interviewed Ryan or his associates. Yes, my team and I have spoken firmly and passionately. Yes, sometimes we have sounded angry, because we are in disbelief that numerous Board members and numerous village personnel have not done their job. Civil, means of the people; my team and other residents are engaging in democracy. If you had properly researched Ryan and what modeling is about, if you had compelled Ryan and Albanese to answer questions two months ago, people's emotions and tempers would not have risen to where they are now. Also, may I remind you that you live in a very diverse town. We are diverse in our ages, ethnicities, national origins, sexual orientation, gender, professions and thought. With that diversity, you need to be aware that just because you may be used to people genuflecting before you and not questioning how things really work behind the veil of opacity which enshrouds Village Hall, does not mean that all residents will continue to allow that. All you have to do is look at what is happening nationally. Millions of people are sick and tired of elected and government officials not listening to their constituents and truly taking action to improve the lives of the people they serve. Moreover, changes in the world, especially in improving governance in municipalities, hardly ever happen when people behave like mild mannered accountants.

Ms. Pekarek you want residents to be civil? Have any of you considered saying to the residents 'We are sorry?' 'We are sorry that almost all of us at the dais voted for the reval. We are sorry that we never googled Ryan or his employees. We are sorry that we did not oversee the village managers and allowed them to let Albanese to inflict great damage upon the residents.

Thirdly, thank you to those who finally decided to listen to our request from two months ago that Ryan needs to answer questions before Scarsdale residents. Unfortunately, the format that you propose is not suitable. Ryan will give a presentation based on the questions that Albanese has been forwarding him. Maybe you sent him a list of questions, which we asked last night if we could see. Yet, as I explained last night, expecting that we are to write a question on a note card and then run up and give it

to the Board for the members to vet and decide if they will ask will not function. My team will decide what it wants to do. With or without microphone, I will be asking at least two questions without cards and without any intermediary.

Fourth, I reiterate my interest in receiving my remaining FOILs. Several days ago you fulfilled Mr. Parlato's FOIL on Tyler. I requested all emails related to the Tyler reval. All you have to do is hit 'forward' with the email that you sent him to me.

Lastly, I would like to thank Robert Cole for trying to get Ryan to answer questions. Albanese via email has been shockingly rude and unprofessional to him, simply because he was doing his job. Mr. Pappalardo you are cc'd on at least one email; frankly numerous residents and I are appalled that none of you have managed her well. I would like to thank Ms. Conkling and Mr. O'Brien for all their daily work and for helping us with all the FOILS.

Have a good day. I look forward to seeing you Wednesday, August 17th.

Best,
Mayra Kirkendall-Rodriguez