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From: Bal1998 <bal1998@aol.com>
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To: Clerk's Department
Subject: From Resident Susan Levine...about the Library Proposal

To the Mayor and Trustees:

It seems reasonable on such an important issue as the Library Expansion Proposal that we consider having a Village wide Referendum on whether or not to allow the Village to create a Bond Issue to fund much of the proposed renovation/construction.

I contend ..as I have before..that many Village residents are unaware of the Library Renovation Proposal and its proposed Cost..and what it involves...and there would be a greater response if more Residents were fully aware of the impact on us..taxes and otherwise.

Notices about Meetings/Discussions/Displays on the subject are mostly mentioned in The Scarsdale Inquirer..which is not read by a large portion of Village residents.

<My personal view is that we should fund only Necessary repairs/needs at the Library and allow it otherwise to remain the very functional and very lovely and welcoming building that it is now. One concern might be that it belongs to Us.. and should not become a magnet for others in Westchester.>

As I have already said..my view is that a library should not be a place for eating or groups/teens meeting..but a gathering place for quiet reflection..reading and finding books..research.. computer use..and some Village presentations.

The Scott Room is always available for public discussion and cultural performances..some well attended.. some not so well attended. We do not need our dance card to be filled all the time. The Library Board appears to feel otherwise.

Again there's the issue of public awareness about such matters..or lack thereof...which I contend

should be considered when the Mayor and the Trustees discuss and deliberate.

Most of my neighbors have no idea about the Library expansion proposal and the possible cost to the Village.

Thanks for listening.

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