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To: Clerk's Department

Subject: To The Mayor ...Board of Trustees..and Village ManagerAbout the Library Renovation

Proposal

Dear Mayor Mark .. Board of Trustees... and Steve Pappalardo...

I attended last night's Board Meeting where the Library Board and Friends of the Library had obviously rallied their troops.

The Proponents who spoke were so numerous that I had to leave before I could speak.

**I am writing to remind you again that you are Not hearing from the community at large... the 10,000 or more Adult Residents of Scarsdale who are still largely uninformed about the Library Renovation Proposal and its Cost over 15 years to the taxpayers.

**Please knock on Your Own Neighbors' doors and see if they know about the Library Renovation Proposal..and how it might be funded. You might be surprised to learn that they know little or nothing about what has been planned. My neighbors know nothing. Still.

I was concerned that the Mayor's statement about the "deal" that had been agreed upon between the Village Board and the Library Board was not as clear to Terri Simon as it was to the Village Board.

Private Funding needs to Commit to 7.5 Million before the Village agrees to a 15 year Bond for the Project. I think that needs to be made clear...and in writing...since Ms Simon obviously thinks otherwise.

I was glad that she agreed Not to come back to the Taxpayers for more \$\$ if things did not play out as she hoped. Her "postponed" items in the Library Proposal add up to millions..and would bring the project back up

to 20 Million in no time...

I know that the Mayor is aware that the Public is still largely Uninformed about the Library Project..and I hope the Trustees can realize that as well.

The silent majority has not yet been heard from.

The Forum Survey had under 400 responses..and the Petition in Favor of the Proposal has 600 signatures.. all proponents...mostly people who are somehow involved in the project. We need to hear from the public at large through a system of communication that we have not yet devised.

Even a Referendum might Not bring out those Residents who do not know what it is about.

I still think we should bring back "The Village Report". One Page. Every 3 months. Included in the Water Bill Mailing.

Thanks very much for listening.

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