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Like a family this village should live within its means. Its income (property taxes) is spent on ongoing expenses and capital improvements and new capital projects. These outlays should follow a hierarchy of needs. If your roof leaks you use your money to fix it instead of spending it on a trip to Disneyworld.

The library is a wonderful, but probably dying institution. I, for one at almost 70 years, read all my books, newspapers and magazines on my IPad. Even meeting and interacting with people now happens more and more online.

More importantly, our roof is leaking. Our roads, used by everyone (and not just some like the library) are in a terrible state. You just need to drive on Post Road past the library to realize this. They need to be fixed. In fact I suspect they are beginning to effect our property values (as is the pending re-evaluation) which will impact the taxes to be collected by the village. Let's not squander our money on secondary projects when basic infrastructure needs are not being taken of !

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