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CITY COUNCIL COMPLETES COUNTLESS CHORES IN HUMOROUS, HARMONIOUS, HUMDRUM SESSION

by Elaine Skolnik

A good humored Greenbelt City Council took its time on June 12 to cover some 30 agenda items, leaving three weary News Review reporters tossing coins to see who would report what portion of the evening's oratory. Apparently council wanted to clear the decks before packing their suitcases for the Maryland Municipal League's 31st annual convention in Ocean City June 18-20.

Elderly Housing

Garbage disposals will be eliminated in the housing for the elderly kitchens as recommended by the Greenbelt Elderly Housing Advisory Committee (EHAC). In taking this action, council also concurred with a suggestion by Mayor Pro Tem Gil Weidenfeld to look into the feasibility of installing wiring in the event the disposals are desired in the future. EHAC preferred to eliminate the disposals in the 100 units (a savings of approximately \$2,000-\$2,500) in favor of widening the kitchens an extra foot for additional storage cabinets.

Deferred until the next meeting is a report by EHAC on a proposed policy for selection of tenants in which preference is given to Greenbelt residents, former Greenbelt residents, parents of Greenbelt residents and present and retired employees of Greenbelt businesses and organizations. Additionally, consideration is given to length of residency, level of income, need for this type of housing and minorities.

Council also authorized the waiver of required street improvements (curb and gutter) adjacent to the housing development at an estimated savings of \$4,000. City Manager James K. Giese noted that the city "is virtually assured" of receiving funds for Ridge Road improvements under the Neighborhood Strategies Area Plan for Greenbelt, "probably in another year." He felt it would be better to undertake complete renovation of the entire street at one time rather than piecemeal. This waiver would not affect the construction of a sidewalk running from the facility to the existing interior sidewalk system that leads to the Commercial Center.

208 Plan

Council generally approved the proposed area-wide Water Quality

Management Plan with certain modifications and recommendations. The city, a member of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), was asked for its comments prior to the plan's presentation to the governors of Maryland and Virginia and to the Mayor of the District of Columbia for certification. Following certification, the plan will be sent to the Federal Environmental Protection Agency for approval.

The long-range plan for upgrading water quality in area river and streams is required by Section 208 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendment of 1978 and will become the basis for future federal funding of wastewater treatment plants and issuance of discharge permits. The plan deals with such critical issues as standards for water quality, regulations for the control of pollutants entering streams from single point sources (sewage treatment plants), and the control of pollutants entering streams at many points such as storm water run-off.

At a recent work session, Councilmen Charles Schwab, Thomas White and Weidenfeld felt more stringent goals and procedures than were approved by COG's Water Resources Planning Board were needed. These were adopted by the full council and will be transmitted to COG. They include expanding protection of the aquatic habitat for free flowing stretches in the Potomac and in estuaries and starting water conservation measures at the earliest possible time. Council supported land treatment of all new discharges where feasible and also endorsed White's recommendation that, in light of the recent unfavorable court decision that seriously

threatens the viability of the Dickenson Wastewater Treatment Plant, every effort be made to consider alternative methods of sewage treatment in the region.

Introduced for first reading was an ordinance providing for stop signs at Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road. In its examination, the city found that "because of a high wooded hill on the southern corner of this intersection, visibility of one street from the other is poor until a vehicle reaches the intersection."

The traffic control signs were requested by the Boards of Directors for Greenbriar Condominiums, Phases I and II.

Potpourri

Council granted to Springhill Lake North developers a waiver of a sidewalk along the required temporary improvements to Kenilworth Ave. for the entrance to the proposed commercial office complex on Ivy Lane . . . directed the city manager to collect background material on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway alternatives for a future meeting. Council was disturbed that the alternatives, which the Maryland Department of Transportation considered in December 1976, were not presented to the public, as scheduled, in the spring of 1977 and have been further delayed until the winter of 1978 . . . commended John Mondejar, who is resigning from the COG's Human Resources Citizens Advisory Committee, for keeping the city so well informed . . . scheduled a special meeting on June 26 to consider an award for the Fire Station construction if a satisfactory bid is received on June 21 . . . will meet in July with George Christacos, owner of two buildings in the Commercial Center to consider redevelopment and rezoning plans . . . passed a resolution upping garbage and trash collection fees so that the service can continue to operate on a self-sustaining basis.

Hit and Run Driver Sought by Police

Greenbelt police are looking for a 1968 or 1969 dark brown (or bronze) Chevrolet Malibu in connection with a hit-and-run accident Friday, June 2, in which a 29-year old Greenbelt woman was seriously injured.

The accident, which occurred at 8:10 p.m. on Greenbelt Rd. westbound (by Eleanor Roosevelt High School), was witnessed by a number of people, but none could get a license number.

According to Officer Michael Craddock, the woman was riding a bicycle on the shoulder of the road when she was struck by the car. The car, said Craddock, hit the woman's right leg, which was severely damaged.

According to witnesses, Craddock said, the driver fled the scene, gaining significant speed. Witnesses told Craddock they could not get a clear view of the license tag because the car had raised considerable dust as it sped off.

The driver was identified as a white male with shoulder-length hair.

Craddock said he is hoping that someone got a clear look at the car, reported to have crossed the Greenbelt Rd.-Kenilworth Ave. intersection at excessive speeds.

Four witnesses heard the crash, Craddock said, but the dust obscured their vision.

To contact police with information on the car or driver, call Officer Craddock at 474-5454.

CITIZEN BRINGS DOG BITE TO ATTENTION OF COUNCIL

by Leta Mach

At the June 12 council meeting, city council took notice of a letter from Lekh Batra complaining about a dog that bit him on May 27. Speaking before council Batra stated that while walking on a sidewalk near the playground behind 45 Ridge Rd. he was "suddenly attacked without warning by two large dogs (a doberman and a german shepherd)." He said the doberman bit his thigh and tore his clothes. The letter also notes that the owner of the dogs did not call them until after he was bitten.

Batra reported the incident to the police, who investigated the matter. City law requires that pets be "under the immediate and effective control of a responsible person" when off the owner's premises. In an interview, the dog's owner noted that witnesses stated the dog walked up to Batra, who swung at him and was then bitten. The police called the bite a "mild" one. Batra stated that the doctor gave him medication but he did not have to go to the hospital. Because of the bite, the owner has to quarantine the dog for at least ten days. The owner, Noreen Devlin explained that her husband, Gary, did not call the dog at once because he did not see the incident immediately. She felt Batra was afraid of the dog because of the dog's size, but at the same time, "the guy was frightening the dog" by swinging at him.

In his agenda notes, City Manager James Giese revealed that the matter has been brought to the attention of the city animal warden. Council directed staff to write a letter to the Prince Georges Animal Control Commission about the matter.

Other dogs which cause problems were also mentioned at the council meeting. In early June, an unleashed black and white husky, owner unknown, grabbed and took away a pet guinea pig as the Batra children were playing with it.

Batra has also written a letter to Greenbelt Homes, Inc. about the dogs, countersigned by Leroy Beall, Abe Chasnoff, and William Shields. The letter describes the incident of May 27 and three others. GHI pet regulations, which were adopted on February 23, 1978, prohibit vicious or dangerous pets and require that pets be "under the control of a responsible person when off the owner's premises." The GHI Member Complaints Committee will hold a meeting on July 11, with the owners and the citizens who have complained about the dogs. Under GHI pet regulations the committee would take one of the following actions: "a. work something out with complainee b. direct that letter from attorney be written. c. recommend to the Board the termination of contract— d. write to the Animal Control Commission requesting a hearing—"

One incident the letter to GHI made a reference to occurred last winter when a pre-school child, was intimidated by the doberman. At that time John Beall was bitten slightly after helping the child. Beall, who was shooting baskets at the playground, described the incident. After jumping the fence, the dog ran up to the girl and began sniffing her; she screamed and appeared about to run. Beall quickly ran over and threw the ball at the dog to scare it and the dog ran away. Going back to the basketball court, he was surprised later by the dog as it came over and bit his leg.

It was after this incident that the dog owner built a higher fence. The letter which Batra sent to city council charges that the owners let the unleashed dogs out to exercise in the playground. It states that on Wednesday, May 24, a horrified child riding a bicycle was chased by the "unleashed doberman". When questioned, the owner said that she has not let the dog out unleashed in four months.

Another incident occurred as Abe Chasnoff was jogging around the playground. At that time, Chasnoff reported that the dog jumped the fence and ran after him. He managed to scare the dog off by grabbing a tree limb. Chasnoff called the dog "a real vicious dog" and was "surprised that he is still around." Batra also called the dogs "vicious" and felt that many residents were afraid to use the neighborhood playground because of the dogs. In his opinion, "these animals

could kill an innocent child or maim an older person."

Disagreeing strongly with this characterization of the dog, Devlin felt that "if he really wanted to hurt someone, he would have." Batra emphasized that he had nothing personal against the owners and was going to "try to resolve things on a friendly level."

In an interview, Hy Gerson, the animal warden, stated that to have an animal taken away permanently an individual would need to go to the county. Under city law, an animal can be impounded if it is not on the owner's property. In order to get the animal back, the owner would have to pay a five dollar fine. He stated "the law is very loose, it's hard to do something". Gerson receives an average of five calls a day about animals. Many of these are nuisance complaints, such as dogs barking at night or defecating on private property. On June 15, he received a call from an elderly couple because another dog had jumped a fence to chase their dogs which they had on a leash. But, he stated "you can't accomplish much". There are "too many animals and irresponsible people owning them," he felt.

GHI has just adopted pet regulations in an attempt to deal with the many complaints received about animals. In the late 1950's GHI lost a lawsuit to ban pets in the cooperative.

Sr. Citizens Invited To Nutrition Meeting

There will be a meeting Thursday, June 29, in the Council Room of the Greenbelt Municipal Building at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of discussion and planning for a Nutrition Program in Greenbelt. This will serve senior citizens over 60 years of age. Nutrition Site County Coordinator Mrs. Benefield will be present at the meeting to discuss the plans.

All senior citizens of Greenbelt who are interested in a low-cost nutritious mid-day meal five days a week are urged to attend this important meeting and lend their support. If transportation is needed, call 853-2400. Martin Holly is Chairman of the Nutrition Planning Program, Greenbelt Golden Age Club.

A nutrition program involves a hot lunch served to seniors every day, five days a week, for a very low cost. Also, there is usually an education activity planned to coincide with the lunch. The county's Department of Services and Programs for the Aging operates 14 nutrition sites throughout the county. The nearest site to Greenbelt is Attick Towers, a housing facility for senior citizens on Rhode Island Avenue in College Park. However, Greenbelt residents argue that there is no transportation to Attick Towers and none seen as becoming available in the near future.

In addition, a recent survey conducted by the Nutrition Committee of the Golden Agers, as well as one taken in January by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. indicates that more than 100 people in Greenbelt are interested in such a program and would attend on a regular basis.

The Golden Agers have the support of the city's Recreation Department for such a program to be conducted in the Youth Center. Also helping the Golden Agers is the organization called Betterment for United Seniors, a group whose sole purpose is to aid senior citizens in obtaining improved services in their communities.

Anyone interested in hearing more about the program — or helping persuade the county that Greenbelt wants such a program — is encouraged to attend the meeting.

Spellman to Declare Candidacy June 23

Congresswoman Gladys Noon Spellman invites Greenbelters to join her when she formally declares her candidacy for a third term in the U.S. House of Representatives in the Capital Plaza auditorium on Fri., June 23 at 8 p.m.

A Democrat representing Maryland's fifth district, Mrs. Spellman entered Congress in 1974 and was reelected in 1976. She is the only woman to serve as a regional house whip, and is chairman of the House Subcommittee on Compensation and Employee Benefits.

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., June 22, 8 p.m. GHI Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

Sat., June 24, 8:30 - 10:30 p.m., Teen Splash Party, Municipal Pool

Sun., June 25, 7 p.m. U.S. Army Stage Band, Greenbelt Lake Park Bandstand

Mon., June 26, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Registration for Recreation Summer Programs, Youth Center

Thurs., June 29, 10:30 a.m., Nutrition Program for Greenbelt Senior Citizens, Council Room—Municipal Building

APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE ACADEMIES

Maryland students interested in pursuing appointment to the Military, Naval, Air Force, Merchant Marine or Coast Guard Academies should inform Senator Mathias' office before October 31, 1978, the deadline for applications for nominations to the class of 1979.

College Entrance Examination Board (SAT) scores of 450 verbal and 600 math, or a composite total of 1050, are required to qualify for an interview.

Students interested in obtaining further information and application materials should contact Ms. Linda Strine in Senator Mathias' Baltimore office — 1616 Federal Building, 31 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

Hearing Program To Stay at Center

Greenbelt Center School was informed by Lesley Kreimer, member of the Prince Georges County Board of Education, that the program for the hearing impaired students will remain at Greenbelt Center School. While staff proposed that moving the program to Bladensburg Elementary would save money, Mrs. Kreimer maintained that it is in the best educational interests of the hearing impaired students as well as the students in the regular program to retain the program at Greenbelt Center. According to Kreimer, the cost savings have not been substantiated.

Council Doesn't Miss A Beat Votes More Light, Less Heat

by Barbara Likowski

An "enlightened" council paved the way for brighter nights for the rest of the community at its June 12 meeting. In a jocular mood, council responded to Pepco's proposal to install street lights along Cherrywood Lane in the vicinity of the Beltway Plaza shopping center by questioning how bright was bright enough.

Pepco had proposed installing 175 watt mercury vapor street lights at a cost of \$3,734 and an added monthly charge of \$471.28 annually. According to city manager James Giese, the cost of installing brighter lights should not be significantly greater, but there would be an added energy cost. Giese suggested that the installation expense be charged as part of the construction expense for improving Cherrywood Lane utilizing Capital Improvement Funds.

Giese asked whether 250 watt lights might be better, since they will be installed in the vicinity of the shopping center. He noted that 175 watt lights have been installed on all new streets in multiple family areas and 250 watt lights on Southway. Southway is a wider street than Cherrywood Lane. However, Cherrywood, because of the traffic congestion at the shopping center, would also seem a likely place for brighter lights.

Giese also suggested that council might want to try 250 watt sodium vapor lights, which he described as the street lights of the future. He also felt that because brighter lights would be further away from people's residences at the shopping center, it might be a good place for the city to experiment with them.

Councilman Thomas White feared that the brighter lights would bother residents at the end furthest from the shopping center. The nearest residence is about 150 feet from the pole. Living at that address is the person who originally requested the lights 2½ years ago. Continuing the light touch, City Clerk Gudrun Mills told council that when the resident heard that lights were finally going to be installed, she really "lit up."

A motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Gil Weidenfeld that 250 watt sodium vapor lights be installed on Cherrywood Lane with payment to be made from Capital Improvement Funds was passed 4 to 1. White voted no, but wanted the record to show that he was for lights but against sodium vapor lights.

Giese summed it all up with "Bright is beautiful!"

Parking for Handicapped

Reserved parking for the handicapped was placed on the agenda by Mayor Richard Pilski. Pilski felt there should be reserved parking for the handicapped in the Greenbelt commercial center. Council was in agreement and a motion to this effect passed unanimously. Councilman Richard Castaldi suggested that these spaces should be in the middle next to the crosswalk and should be labeled accordingly.

On this subject, Council heard a request from a handicapped resident of Springhill Lake. In a letter to Weidenfeld, Francine K. Nisen-off informed Council that she and K. Kellaher, along with other handicapped persons living in Springhill Lake, had been provided reserved parking places by the management but were not always able to use them because other cars were using them. Having to park at a distance, they then had to walk or maneuver a wheelchair long distances. Nisen-off asked council to pass an ordinance that would permit the police to ticket unauthorized cars parked in these spaces.

The city solicitor thought that

Fun-Runs Saturday

On Sat., June 24, a series of three long distance races will be held at the Greenbelt Lake Park, starting at the refreshment stand. The races will begin at 9 a.m., and will be for distances of ½ mile, one mile, and four miles.

Fun Runs are informal races which are held to provide encouragement for joggers and beginning runners on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. They are sponsored by the Greenbelt Running Club.

the city could pass such an ordinance so that cars parked on private property could be ticketed. (However, traffic tickets could not be used.) Council asked Giese to look into this and report back.

Council suggested that parking places for the handicapped be marked with the handicapped sign. One problem with this is that although the state has reciprocal agreements with other states in regard to parking for the handicapped, states use different signs.

Playground Equipment

The purchase of large pieces of playground equipment was approved by council. A work session will be held to choose where the equipment will be placed. Interested citizens will have a chance to give their suggestions about placement sites so that the equipment will best serve the age groups that will use them.

Vehicle Storage

Council voted to communicate to county council that it does not support its legislation relating to the parking or storing of vehicles in residential areas. The city manager was requested to tell county council about the problem it is having with a large truck that is equipped as a camper but is registered as a private passenger vehicle.

GRENOBLE THEATRE GUILD PRESENTS "THE HEIRESS"

The Grenoble Theatre Guild of Greenbelt is presenting the stage play "The Heiress." The final performances will be held at the Greenbelt Center Elementary School on Fri., June 23, and Sat., June 24 at 8 p.m., with a special matinee June 24 at 2:30 p.m. The matinee performance should be of special interest to senior citizens and students. Tickets will be sold at the door. For more information call Bob O'Malley at 474-3369.

Recreation Review

Firecracker Softball Tournaments

Two ASA Sanctioned Softball Tournaments are scheduled in conjunction with the City's July 4 celebration. Franchise and rule information are available at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Registration for the Men's "A" League will close on Fri., June 23 at 4 p.m. Deadline for the Women's "B" League competition is Fri., June 30 at 4 p.m. Call 474-6878 for further details.

Teen Splash Party

Music and water games will highlight the first KAVA Teen Splash Party. Action will take place this Sat. night from 8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. All Greenbelt teens, 13 years of age and over, are invited to join the fun, weather permitting. A nominal fee will be charged at the door.

Summer Registration

Plan now to register on Mon., June 26, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center, for the first session of swimming lessons and children's daily arts and crafts, archery, tennis and trampoline programs. See the separate ad in this issue of the News Review for complete details. Second registration will be held on Mon., July 10.

Summer Playground

Co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the MNC-PCC, this program is open to children 6 thru 12 years of age. The six-week program is offered free of charge. Morning and afternoon activities include arts and crafts, games, trips and special events. Playground locations will be at the SHL Rec. Center and North End School. Pre-registration is not necessary. The playground hours are Mon. thru Fri., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Activities will begin on Mon., June 26.

Tennis Court Regulations

The City of Greenbelt owns and maintains 10 public courts for the playing enjoyment of its residents and guests. Sign-up boards are strategically placed at both the Lakecrest Courts and Braden Field Courts. Check sign-up boards for scheduled lessons, tournaments or special events to avoid any inconvenience. All players must sign-up before beginning play.

Following are a few rules of court etiquette which should be observed at all times while playing tennis. 1. Relinquish the court when due. Observe all court rules and insist others do the same. 2. Refrain from being too loud. 3. Return balls which roll onto your playing area as

Summer Studies Program

Junior High students are offered a chance to get individual help through Greenbelt CARES this summer. The students can improve vocabulary, learn to do word problems and learn to budget money. For further information call 345-3456.

soon as possible. 4. Never enter someone else's court while play is in progress.

The Recreation Department's summer classes have been scheduled on Courts 7 and 8 beginning June 26 thru Aug. 18 as follows: Tues. thru Fri., 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Tues. and Thur., 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.; Wed., 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

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1978 SUMMER DAILY CHILDREN'S CLASSES

The first registration, for the Summer Daily Children's Classes, will be held on Monday, June 26th, 9-11 am at the Greenbelt Youth Center. This is an in-person registration, on a first-come, first served basis. Registration, on a space available basis only, by phone from 11:30-12 noon. Classes will be held Tuesday through Friday for two weeks beginning Tuesday, June 27th. The second registration will be held on Monday, July 10th NO CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 4th.

ACTIVITIES	AGE	FEE
Archery	8-15 yrs.	\$8/8 classes
Arts & Crafts	6-12 yrs.	FREE
Chucks 'n' Lassies - Group games/Physical Fitness Program - boys & girls 6-10 yrs.	Tues & Thu BF	FREE
Clay Modeling	6-15 yrs.	\$8/8 classes
Creative Carousel	3-5 yrs.	\$8/8 classes
Swimming Lessons		
*Beginner, Adv. Beginner	5 & over	\$5/8 classes Resident Child
Intermediate & Swimmer		\$8/8 classes Resident Family
*Diving	6 & over	\$5/8 classes - Resident
Group Competitive Technique	Adv. Beginner Course must be completed	\$5/8 classes - Resident \$8/8 classes - Non-Resident
Lifesaving - Junior	11 yrs/completed Grade 5	\$7/12 hrs; Non-Res \$14/12 hr.
Senior	16 yrs/completed Grade 9	\$10/22 hrs; Non-Res \$20/22 hr.
*Water Baby	1-5 yrs.	\$5/8 classes - Resident
Each child must be accompanied by a person 18 yrs. or over		\$10/8 classes - Non-Resident
*Water Ballet - Offered as formed	8 & over	\$5/8 classes - Resident
Skin Diving Instruction - Supply (Snorkel) own fins, snorkel, mask	8-15 yrs; Prerequisite Adv. Beg. Certificate	\$18.75/10 hr - Resident \$22.50/10 hr - Non-Resident
*Offered to Non-Resident Pass Holders on space available basis only		\$10/8 classes per child
Tennis	8-15 yrs.	\$8/8 classes
Trampoline	6-15 yrs.	\$8/8 classes

ADULT SWIMMING

In-person registration also at the Municipal Swimming Pool Monday, June 26th, from 6-8 pm.

Adult Lessons - offered as formed. \$10/8 sessions Resident; \$20/8 session Non-Resident Pass Holder.

Swim for Lunch Bunch - Pool Diving Well - adults 18 and over only. Tuesday thru Friday, 12 noon - 12:50 pm. Advanced registration required, limited to 25 participants, must live or work within the city limits. \$5/8 hours.

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Parking, Pay Raise, Water Main Proposed, Disposed of, Not a Pain

by Linda Orenstein

At the June 12 regular meeting of city council, following organizational procedures, the council swung into action to cover a variety of matters.

Petitions and Requests

Leo Gerton, 9C Parkway, thanked the Council members for funding the CPR Program (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) in Greenbelt. He remarked that funds requested for projectors had been cut and requested that this matter be considered. The possibility that projectors available to the city could be utilized or that used equipment could be purchased will be decided after further investigation.

Nancy Hindman, President of the Board of Charlestowne Village Condominium, raised the issue of developing the roughed-in ball park existing between the condominium and the Charlestowne North high-rise. City Manager James K. Giese mentioned that this property was privately owned, and that its steep grade might prevent its use as a ball park, but indicated that the request would be pursued.

The increasing difficulty in weekend parking for Boxwood Village residents brought Frank Ghaen, of Lastner Lane, before Council. Ghaen stated that since the ban on parking on Crescent Road, designed to discourage the use of the Lake Park, there have been more cars parked on Lastner Lane, forcing homeowners to walk long distances to their own vehicles. Council members expressed concern about this problem and Councilman Thomas White noted that they are anxious to let the parking ban measure run its course to determine if its purpose has been achieved. It was also noted that parking on the shoulders and sides of Boxwood streets up to the corner presented a serious driving hazard.

PRAB Report

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board Report presented by Toni Bram, Vice Chairman, was accepted by Council. The Board's report stressed its concern for the preservation of the Lake Park, which is suffering serious soil erosion problems and general deterioration. PRAB sees the need for evaluation of the existing Lake Park Master Plan, with consideration given to the plans recently drawn up by University of Maryland Landscape students. The Advisory Board advocates that a total restoration program be considered for the future, but emphasizes the need for steps to be taken soon to ensure that the present state of erosion and decline in the park is halted.

Pay Raise

In order to provide for a 6% average increase in compensation for all classified employees, adopted within the budget, two resolutions had been introduced at the June 5 special council meeting. The resolutions differed on the pay of part-time unclassified employees. After some debate, council voted to adopt Draft I, which maintained the city's policy of paying part-time employees minimum wage, although the city is not legally bound to do so. White and Councilman Richard Castaldi favored Draft II, supporting the premise that more jobs would be available to more people if a lower pay rate were adopted. Mayor Pro Tem Gil Weidenfeld, who had introduced and supported Draft II, changed his opinion on the matter when he was informed that city policy had traditionally been one of paying not less than minimum wage. Mayor Richard Pilski was outspoken in his support of Draft I, and Councilman Charles Schwan concurred, declaring that the city was morally, if not legally, bound to this pay scale.

Water Main Coming Soon

Project 80-101 which will begin west of I-95 and extend to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, is one of several projects in the construction of a bi-county water supply system. John Ritter, of the Water and Sewerage Design Division of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC), explained that the system will be needed to reinforce the fire flow and to provide consistent capacity to meet the domestic consumption demands as predicted by projected population

growth, particularly in Prince Georges County.

According to the vote of council on June 12, the main will be taking the alternate route in Greenbelt. Both routes suggested for the 96' water main would require the same construction costs, and both would result in tree loss in the Park. The chosen route would, however, maintain the Lake Park's appearance and at the same time preserve the buffer provided by the trees between the Kenilworth Avenue ramp from the Beltway and the Park. Construction in this immediate area, for the total three mile contract, will take three or four months and should begin in mid-October.

Devlin Supports Hometown Greenbelt Delegate Cause

Del. Gerard F. Devlin, the only elected 24th District incumbent seeking to return to the House of Delegates told the selection committee for Democrats '78 that "the City of Greenbelt is united around the belief that the community wants and needs a member of the House of Delegates. And their cause is just." Last month he told the members of the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club that he would not run for reelection "unless Greenbelt had a representative on the party ticket."

"Recently the News Review pointed out that the 24th District legislative representatives were 'tops' and that they had represented Greenbelt's interests well, but that a city the size of Greenbelt would like a hometown delegate. There is no question that this concern is legitimate and I have been pushing hard for a qualified Greenbelter - with across the city support - to fill this need," Devlin said.

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