

COMMUNICATION RE: 'SHOULD THE TOWN PURCHASE TICHENOR POINT FOR PARK?'

YES

NO

COMMENT/QUESTION

Abawi, Alice
 Bossert, Leanne
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 Campbell, Dana &
 Kellogg family
 Christoforo, Dave & Trish
 Church, Matt & A
 Crisci, Kristin
 Gajewski, Andy
 Gajewski, Beth
 Gallagher, Sarah
 Koehn, Susan
 Kovalovsky, Brad
 Laske, Crystelyn
 Miller, Rachel
 Mullen, Caroline
 Richards, Benjamin

Cole, Tim & Theresa

Rubery, Paul

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[Signature]
 Town Manager
 2/8/21

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Abawi, Alice

From: Alice A <aabawi@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:39 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Park

I am in favor of a public park. Great idea.

Alice McCarthy Abawi, 3624 E. Ridge Run
Sent from my iPad

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Bossert, Leanne

From: Leanne Bossert <leannebossert@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:11 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Re: 4351 Tichenor Point 📌

Hi Doug,

I just wasn't sure if my first message reached you, and so I am writing again. We would be so happy to see the town acquire the parcel at Tichenor Point. The increase in taxes would be well worth it. We are so happy that the town is jumping in this rare opportunity before it is lost. Thank you!

Leanne Bossert

Sent from my iPhone

> On Dec 29, 2020, at 2:11 PM, Leanne Bossert <leannebossert@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hi Doug. I hope you are enjoying your holiday. I just wanted to write to say that I am very happy about the prospect of having public lake access and kayak launch at Tichenor Point as well as the other proposed location on County Rd. 16. My four children would love to have lake access at Tichenor Point, as we could walk there from our house.

> Thank you for working on this!

> Leanne Bossert

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> Sent from my iPhone

Doug Finch, Town Manager

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:32 PM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Yes to purchase properties with caveat

letter writer requested non-use of identifying info.

Greetings Doug Finch,

Town doesn't have My permission to publicize my name, phone and or address.

In response to the residential lake front purchases...I would like as many pieces of our lake purchased and owned by the town as to promote lake friendly living for all, even the ones who cant afford a computer and utilize the zoom meetings.

***Caveat to this is Due diligence to existing lake property parcels as well as future due diligence parcels. Many hours were spent on a great slides showing how the potential properties will be paid for and so on and so forth... Can as many hours be spent on a slide on how the properties will be protected from issues that already plague the existing pieces of properties and the problems that will be inherent to the new purchases??

Concern: existing properties, are simply bought and maintained but don't have a whole lot of supervision or rules that give the town residence CONFIDENCE in future purchases. Ex; Atwater park. Many Fears especially from the last 2 meetings are overwhelmingly obvious that need to be addresses moving forward. Residence from remarks on and off screen have shaky legs as to the amount of supervision the town will take to assure residence the potential new properties will not just be bought and left alone, but to have legitimate rules that will be enforced and fined if not adhered to.

*noise level security, occupancy security, parking security need rules established and maintenance of already established rules(off shoulder parking) such as utilizing parking on the side of the road to run a private business causing a lot of danger to your residence, electronic monitoring (like trail cameras linked to cell phone) system to remotely so we as the town residence and the town doesn't impede on the Ontario county sheriff to add more work for them. Basic suggestions that have seemed to have gone to the wayside. Way too many residence have complained for years about these basic requirements I feel the town should of addressed and cured.

Moving forward:

The Tichenor point property:

Many people feel the property should only be bought for assessed value, I don't feel that the greatest view (no contest on that) on the lake will ever be bought for assessed value. Way too many private individual have historically purchased land for way over asses value to live on the lake...we as residence don't have a chance if that's the threshold for decision making!

Also, putting the vote up for referendum, historically, many conservatives show up to vote and many liberals use mail in voting...many conservatives will vote against buying a property over asses value, while many progressives will not use that as an argument. So guess how that referendum will turn out...

Due diligence again, *deed that property as historic land that cannot be developed!!! Please don't rip out trees for parking, make that property a scared place for residence to enjoy with a lot of rules guanidine's and protect that property!!!!...equal that gem of property to the Adirondacks pristine pieces of land. That property alone should be a scared place to enjoy and then leave. Walk in and walk out property. Don't put up pavilions so large gatherings and parties can form. Use public architecture theories to assure the residence this is a special place where they can't camp out and party...and the town is going to utilize it as a special place by adhering to strict usage guidelines. If you promote

that land as sacred, American Indian grounds...then do good by it and show us how you believe with rules, it should be treated. My gosh do you know a bald eagle lives down the stream and is seen frequently on a weekly basis? That alone needs to be protected!

Moving forward:

German adjacent property:

Must, Must, Must address the private business using the road shoulders for business use! Fine them, use the money in scroll to finance this property. I would not be able to establish a business on the road, why are they. You have some residence that don't want this property purchased because the town has not addressed the parking situation...this makes everyone again, have SHAKY LEGS for future purchases.

*absolutely no swimming there, one of the most dangers spots to swim on the lake because of the large amount of boating traffic!

Please consider PUBLIC Moorings...we have 2 on the entire lake...

The idea of a floating dock is Ingenious!

Picnic/hiking and parking area by the existing house is absolute a gam changer for us residence.

Again, due good by us by having secured, ruled, guidelines that Will be enforced digitally would be the easiest and cheapest.

Moving Forward:

Will the City and Town please open the 1/4 mile of Kershaw to all the people. If you promote Canandaigua Lake as, OUR lake, then put the rules and laws behind that. It's embarrassing that a postage stamp swimming area is open only to city residence and not town for free! This is what we expect, to be taken care of by our governing body.

Please consider addresses these issues as they are definitely being talked about behind the scenes.

Again, thank you for your time,

Hope to hear detailed plans about some of these issues tonight.

Thank you,

A redacted signature consisting of two thick, black horizontal bars obscuring the name and any handwritten notes.

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Campbell, Dana

From: Campbell, Dana <dcampbell@nixonpeabody.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 9:51 AM
To: gdavis@townofcanandaigua.org; jsimpson@townofcanandaigua.org;
tfennelly@townofcanandaigua.org; ldworaczyk@townofcanandaigua.org;
cmenikotz@townofcanandaigua.org
Cc: cnadler@cnadlerlaw.com; dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org; Seiffert, Stephanie
Subject: For The Canandaigua Town Board: Tichenor Point
Attachments: Cottage - Draft Letter to Town - 4 FEB 21.pdf

Good morning – as you know, our firm represents the Kellogg family in the sale of Tichenor Point. In advance of tonight’s Town Board meeting, please see the attached statement from the Kellogg family.

Thank you. Dana Campbell



Dana K. Campbell, Esq.

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As members of the Kellogg family we write in relation to the Town of Canandaigua's potential purchase of our family property at 4351 Tichenor Point Drive. While the Town approached our family with regard to the purchase of the property for a public park, after the property was publicly listed on the market, we would like nothing more than for this property to become part of the community and protected for future generations to enjoy.

Preserving the natural beauty and historic nature of the property in a public park would fittingly carry forward the stewardship of the property by owners over the last 100 years. The history and legacy of the property have been well documented. It has been in our family for nearly 50 years. Prior to that it was owned by Jack Gorham and before that it was a Natural Science Camp. All have sought to protect Tichenor Point's natural beauty, ecological state and historic structures.

Unfortunately, the rising costs of property ownership on Canandaigua Lake means that our family cannot justify the expenses of passing the property down to another generation. This is largely driven by the fact that nearly all of the neighboring seasonal houses around our property have been razed and developed into multimillion dollar mansions. Unsurprisingly, these same neighbors - and many other wealthy property owners, as evidenced by the letters of submission to the Town - are now fighting the Town's purchase by feigning opposition in the name of unaffordable higher taxes. It is strange that cost was no option when they were building but, when it comes to providing for the rest of Town residents, the cost is too much.

The family, after decades of mutual friendship and pleasant interactions with our Tichenor Point neighbors, was surprised by the intensity of the neighbor's opposition to the Town's offer to preserve the property's natural beauty and rich history in perpetuity. Sadly, if the sale of the property to the Town does not go through, the family will be forced to continue to seek a sale to a private buyer in the coming months. We understand that the property is potentially sub-dividable between 2-10 lots, pursuant to Town regulations. Both independent appraisers have suggested that the highest price for the property would be if it were subdivided and multiple houses built, which is certainly not the family's preferred option. However, the neighbors on Tichenor Point and other opposition on West Lake Road seem to prefer this as their desired outcome.

We wish that there were a way for the Town to work with the neighbors and other concerned citizens to make this opportunity for a park come to fruition. Ultimately, the decision is in the hands of the Town Board who must decide what is in the best, long-term interest of all of the Town's 12,000 residents. According to Town communications, as of February 1, 2021 only 77 individuals have weighed in - roughly split between those in favor and those against - the Town's contemplated acquisition of the property. For the sake of argument, let's assume that 100 actual Town residents register opposition to the acquisition by the proposed February 8, 2021 Town meeting. That would represent less than 1 percent of the total Town population. It would be unfortunate, in this increasing era of inequality, if less than one percent of the Town's wealthiest residents were able to pressure the Town Board to abandon lake access for the whole of the

Town. We are hopeful that the Town Board will consider the greater interest and choose to move forward in the near term.

Some have expressed concern regarding the price of the property. It should be noted that two, independent appraisers were hired (and paid, regardless of outcome) to assess the value of the property. One valued the property at \$5.7M and the other at \$5.325M. An acquisition at the average price of these appraisals (\$5,512,500) would represent fair market value of the property, and a discount of nearly \$400,000 from the current asking price. Moreover, some have questioned the linear lake footage of the property. An independent survey concluded that the property had 397 feet of linear lake frontage. The outdated "tieline-to-tieline" measurement that some in the opposition have cited is 66 feet less. Supporting the survey calculation, the Town-hired independent appraiser stated that he felt the additional 66 feet has "extreme value" because of the "natural beach shoreline" and a "southern view [which] is breathtaking" such that "that portion of the parcel is very usable and should be counted." Undoubtedly, any Canandaigua Lake property owner selling their property would measure their linear lakefront footage in the exact same way. To argue otherwise is a red herring in this instance.

We hope the Town of Canandaigua will move forward with the transaction so that the entire Town can enjoy the property that our family and friends have enjoyed for decades. Preservation of Tichenor Point as public park will maintain the property's current state and only benefit the Town and the wider community as an environmental attraction over the long term. Nothing compares to the views from Tichenor Point. The Town has an opportunity to execute on its strategic plan and provide its citizens a place at the Chosen Spot. We await the Town Board's decision and look forward to them working with our Tichenor Point neighbors and the other residents of the Town of Canandaigua to try and make this happen.

Sincerely,

Members of the Kellogg Family

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Christoforo, Dave & Trish

From: Trish Christoforo <trishchristoforo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:07 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Kellogg property at Tichenor point

Hello Doug,

We write to confirm our support for the acquisition of the Kellogg property at Tichenor Point for the Town of Canandaigua. This property is a unique opportunity for the town to secure beautiful access to the lake, which is limited at this point to Onanda Park. The only reason we even have any access within the town limits is because the YMCA camp was gifted to the town so many years ago. The Onanda Park facilities are gorgeous and provide access, however with the addition of the Kellogg property on Tichenor Point, it could be an even more incredible draw for visitors and residents alike. The town could sell a combined daily, weekly or annual access pass to both Onanda and Tichenor for an increased fee, thereby increasing revenues.

We understand the nearby wealthy residents have opposed this idea; this is not surprising since for almost as long as we have lived in Canandaigua, we have heard that the "powers that be" want to privatize the shoreline as much as possible. This would be an amazing opportunity that likely will never come again for this particular parcel. What a legacy that the current town board would be leaving by facilitating this purchase now, equally if not more noteworthy than the new open space at Miller Park. With so many reasons to provide quality outdoor recreation options today, this acquisition will provide a safe space for people to enjoy our beautiful lake year round.

Thank you for taking our input as town residents into consideration. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.


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Doug Finch, Town Manager

Church, M & A

From: Matt Church <cchurch@frontiernet.net>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:18 PM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Kellogg's lake property for park

Hi Mr Finch That's a great idea and the town residents would be thrilled!! Please do all you can to make this(Beach ) happen! Thanks and Regards M And C Church

Sent from my iPhone

Crisci, Kristin

Doug Finch, Town Manager

From: Kristin Crisci <scoochmd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:23 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Kellogg Property Park

Dear Mr. Finch,
my husband and I moved to Canandaigua 1 year ago. What made us come to the area and stay was the area's astounding beauty. We are in full support of preserving the Kellogg property as a public park.

My former residence in PA had a very active open land preservation committee, allowing a beautiful rural space outside of Philadelphia. Their motto was "Once it is gone, it is gone forever." Let's preserve the natural landscape for current residents, tourists and future generations.

Thank you,
Kristin Crisci

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Cole, Tim's

From: Timothy Cole <slivers1952@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:47 PM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Tichenor Pt Purchase

Theresa

Hi Doug,
We are responding to the Town's proposal to purchase the Tichenor Point property.

We are **strongly opposed** to the Town's multimillion dollar proposal to purchase the Tichenor Point property. The underlying costs of maintenance, caretaker salaries, life guards, park monitors, lost residential income, etc., not to mention a ridiculously inflated property price, do not sit well with some of us folks who struggle now, just to make ends meet.

Again, we consider the Town's proposal to purchase the Tichenor Point property, to be irresponsible use of tax monies, and we certainly encourage the Town to pursue better and more economical use of our tax dollars.

Thank you for the opportunity to let our voice be heard.

Tim & Theresa Cole
Middle Cheshire Rd

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Gajewski, Andy

From: Andrew Gajewski <gooskiag@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:48 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Propose Waterfront Purchase

Mr. Finch and Board Members,

There is no doubt that town residents need more lake access. I am a town resident and would be willing to pay what is necessary to obtain and maintain the one or several parcels of lake properties that are being proposed. I read with interest, the comments from a number of town residents in the minutes from a recent meeting on this subject. I am confident that the concerns raised by some residents either would not materialize as they say, or could easily be avoided with a little planning. The one comment from a gentleman about turning part of West Lake Rd. into a one way street really caught my attention. This would definitely be an inconvenience for many, no doubt, but Wow, wouldn't it be fantastic to see a one lane road from maybe Butler to Foster, with a bike path on one side and a walking path on the other! That would take some bold planning and even bolder decisions, but what a safe and beautiful section of this crowded road it would be. Maybe make this change for only 4 or 5 months of the year, but enough to change the whole dynamics of this area during the summer season.

So yes, purchase property with lake access, negotiate a fare price, think about making bold decisions .

Lake Frontage - They're not making any more of it!!
Andy Gajewski

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Gajewski, Beth

From: Beth Gajewski <andy.bethgajewski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:31 PM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Acquisition of lake parcels

Dear Mr. Finch,

I am writing to voice my support in the proposed acquisition of two properties on Canandaigua Lake. Any additional areas that could provide people access to enjoyment of the lake should be a top priority of the town. Places to launch canoes and kayaks are quite limited and additional locations for families to enjoy the lake would benefit so many people. For the size of Canandaigua Lake, access points are quite limited. I am confident that each can be developed in ways that would make the fears nay sayers baseless.

I encourage the town to do whatever is necessary to acquire these properties.

Thanks.

Beth Gajewski

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Gallagher, Sarah

From: Sarah Gallagher <sgallagher81@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:34 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Kellogg's property

Dear Mr. Finch,

It's my understanding that there is property under discussion at tonight's meeting ... Kellogg's property. As a town resident, I wanted to share my position on the property.

- Please consider keeping the property as a natural park
- The natural elements, trees, shoreline along the lake are becoming increasingly hard to find
- To preserve a natural environment while also providing access to the lake for residents would truly add value to the property and the town; I applaud the Town thus far for the long-term and strategic vision of the property.
- If costs related to maintenance are a concern, I encourage more conversations to be had on how to keep costs minimal without throwing out the idea entirely and replacing it with an industrial money generator that will take away from the beauty of the lakeside.

Thank you for considering all views of the town residents.

Sincerely,
Sarah Gallagher

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Koehn, Susan

From: Susan Koehn <susankoehn55@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:49 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Tichenor Park

This is a note in support of securing this property as a park. There is no other property like this on the Lake and from what I see it is still quite natural and would lend itself for generations to enjoy. We have seen so many of the old established properties destroyed to show a modern way of life, and I know they pay taxes but the Lake belongs to the community and should be enjoyed by all. Thank you for your time.

Susan Koehn
6339 Montanye Rd
Canandaigua, 585-752-2963

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Kovalovsky, Brad

From: Kovalovsky, Brad <KovalovskyB@canandaiguaschools.org>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:01 AM
To: 'dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org'
Subject: Tichenor Point

Hi Doug,

I am a town citizen and support the purchase of Tichenor Point as a Town of Canandaigua lakeside park. This is an important step for the town's strategic planning. I so appreciate that you have listened to your constituents' views on the survey...this is much needed. My family looks forward to more access to the natural assets we have in our area.

Many thanks for your service to our town.
Brad Kovalovsky

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Laske, Crystelyn

From: Crystelyn <cclr79@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:47 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Tichenor Point - Park Plan

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the potential park plan at Tichenor Point. I am a resident of Canandaigua. Thank you for your long term strategic vision for the Town of Canandaigua! Although I am not a resident of the Town, I feel that this park could be a destination for visits and Town businesses would be an indirect beneficiary of a park such as this.

A public park would be a wonderful next phase for this beautiful and unique property. The few owners over the years have always appreciated the natural elements and allowed that to be the focal point; This property is one of few remaining large properties that grace the Lake with majestic trees and natural shoreline with unique, panoramic views to both the south and north ends of the Lake.

The park would provide excellent lake access to swim, fish or launch a kayak, paddleboard or canoe and would offer a great property to observe wildlife.

I am also pleased by the idea of a museum and interested in how the general public could possibly help support it and the historical nature of this planned park

The Town should consider the views of all residents, not just the wealthy residents on West Lake Road that do not want others to access the Lake.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Crystelyn Laske
4060 Woolhouse Rd.
Canandaigua NY 14424
315-651-0780

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Miller, Rachel

From: Rachel Miller <ram5233@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:00 AM
To: dfinch@Townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Acquiring Tichenor Point

Mr. Finch,

I want to add my name to the list of residents encouraging the Town to make this property part of our park system. As a life-long resident of Canandaigua, I was fortunate to have lake access for a few years. My father, Henry Miller (Miller's Music & Appliances, 155 S. Main) bought an E. Lake Road property, and later, one on W. Lake Road. Loved having lake frontage, but the taxes were problematic. Closest to me now is the Butler Road beach. Unfortunately, they do not allow ANY non-motorized craft launching, even when swimmers are absent.

Canandaigua residents deserve to be able to enjoy our lake, and Mr. Kellogg's property is ideal. Unlike Butler Road beach, the trees are still intact, and the possibility of a museum on the property makes it even more attractive. So much of the property around the lake has been bought by deep-pocket interests (Todd and Laura Cook for example) - who've made it even harder for locals to even walk by the water.

Purchasing this piece of land would underscore the town's commitment to preserving the area for generations to come, and would no doubt help attract more visitors and possibly bring additional businesses to the area. After years of the controversy surrounding the hotel and condos on the north end of the lake (which have completely altered the landscape in a less than attractive fashion), it would be wonderful to have this beautiful piece of nature.

Sincerely,
Rachel Miller
Butler Road
Canandaigua

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Mullen, Caroline

From: Caroline mullen <bowtiebetty99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 12:38 PM
To: dfinch@Townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Park on West Lake rd

I support a public park on West Lake Rd.
Sincerely,
Caroline Mullen

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Richards, Benjamin

From: Benjamin Richards <benjamindrighards1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 10:53 AM
To: dfinch@townofcanandaigua.org
Subject: Support for tichenor point property purchase

Good morning Mr. Finch,

My wife and I are residents of Canandaigua residing at 3428 Hopkins road. We wish for you to know that we SUPPORT the purchase of tichenor point or any additional public waterfront access points along Canandaigua lake. Access to the lake is a public right, and the town should be considering the rights of all citizens- not just the wealthy ones. The park will be enjoyed by citizens for years to come, and I support the idea of a museum at this area as well. The town has been blessed with an abundance of income and has the ability to IMPROVE the lives of its citizens. Please continue to expand public access and public facilities- the privatization of the lake is a disturbing trend that the town government should seek to limit or reverse.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

-Benjamin D Richards
315-955-9808
3428 Hopkins road

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Rubery, Paul

From: Cathy Menikotz <cmenikotz@townofcanandaigua.org>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 9:05 AM
To: Doug Finch
Cc: Jean Chrisman
Subject: Fwd: Re: For The Canandaigua Town Board:

FYI. My response to Mr. Rubery is included here. I don't think the original letter was sent to you, Doug? I will forward that separately if you want.

From: "Cathy Menikotz" <cmenikotz@townofcanandaigua.org>
To: "Paul Rubery" <prubery064@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, 08 Feb 2021 08:39:35 -0500
Subject: Re: For The Canandaigua Town Board:

Thank you for your input. I just want to make sure you understand that the City is not the one that was "given" the grant. The grant money is awarded pursuant to an application through the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Council. The Town, the City and many other Canandaigua Lake water consumers and watershed municipalities are members; for example, Naples, Newark, Bristol, South Bristol, Gorham, Middlesex, etc. Grants are awarded for many reasons having to do with Canandaigua Lake for many of the municipalities. Sometimes grants are awarded for drainage issues, some are issued for water quality testing, etc. For this grant, the City of Canandaigua is the "pass through" member of the Watershed Council. So rather than having to distribute the money among different members, the grant, when awarded for a particular project for any of the member municipalities, is sent to the City which then passes it along to the municipality or entity which was awarded the grant. They have to approve that process which is why a vote was required. It was not money that was earmarked for the City of Canandaigua. The money when awarded would be specifically for the property we are referring to as RSM property. I hope this clears it up a little and I do appreciate you taking the time to let us know your concerns. It is important to me.

Cathy Menikotz
Town of Canandaigua
Town Supervisor

From: Paul Rubery <prubery064@gmail.com>
To: gdavis@townofcanandaigua.org, jsimpson@townofcanandaigua.org, tfennelly@townofcanandaigua.org, ldworaczyk@townofcanandaigua.org, cmenikotz@townofcanandaigua.org
Date: Sun, 7 Feb 2021 21:21:18 -0500
Subject: For The Canandaigua Town Board:

As a resident of the Town, I believe that the proposal to acquire a park on the west side of Canandaigua Lake should be subject to approval by the voters. The very fact that it is proposed to acquire the property with the assist of the City because the City has grant money , implies the Town is unable to financially handle the acquisition. I doubt that this acquisition was in the budget.

I am not taking a position for or against the acquisition but rather , the possibility that the taxpayers have not been consulted.

Thank you for your consideration of this very important decision. Paul Rubery, 3376 Fallbrook Park.

Sent from my iPhone