

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

YES

Obenhofer, Amy

(1)

NO

Dixon, Lauren &
Schwabl, Mike
Hill, Scott,
Natapow, Steve
Polisseni, Wanda
(Pezzulo, Glenn)
VanDerStrict, Susan

(6)

COMMENT/QUESTION

Finch, Doug

(1)

Comments received from
individuals previously
providing a comment:
Coronas, Jose'
Litzelman, Sue & Jack
Schotland, Peter

Town Board Closed
Public Hearing on 2/15/21

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Comments received
2/16/21 @ 9:00am
2/19/21 @ noon
between
and

h/MS
Town Manager
2/19/21

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Obenhofer, Amy

From: Amy Herlehy <aherlehy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 11:32 AM
To: Town Manager
Subject: Kellogg's property- park

Doug,

I am writing in response to the issue of improving access to our Lake. I am a town resident and moved to Canandaigua to have access to the lake in 2016. I write this email with the hope that the town will consider the views of all residents of Canandaigua on this issue. A public park would be a wonderful way to share the iconic scenery of the lake and all its assets. I understand why lake front owners may not want another public park but many Canandaigua residents pay just as much in taxes as those on the water and deserve to have additional access to the resource. During the summer months the North end is usually very crowded and almost impossible to access. Additional parks would be welcomed.

Amy K. Obenhofer

Dixon, Lauren i

Doug Finch, Town Manager

Schwab/, Mike

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Subject: Tichenor Point

February 17, 2021

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Lauren Dixon and Mike Schwabl
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Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 12:35 PM
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Subject: Tichenor Point acquisition by town of Canandaigua

I would like to comment on the proposed land purchase of Tichenor Point for park development. I am opposed and support all of the reasons previously voiced and written against the purchase. I appreciate the effort Mr. Finch put into the hour-long presentation on January 11. After viewing Mr. Finch's PowerPoint presentation, I was interested in the documents and reference to town studies that seemed to support "Exploring the need for public access to Canandaigua Lake".

Mr. Finch spent some time in his presentation referring to the 2019/2020 Canandaigua Comprehensive Plan Update to point out several specific respondent comments in the survey area of the Plan that supported the need for lake access town parks. Two examples were:

- *Lake access has become a joke. This town was once a great area for the residents. Not developments.*
- *Congestion is horrible throughout the summer. I would like more local restaurants to choose from too! The parks and trails are excellent.*

But there were other survey responses as well which Mr. Finch did not highlight in his presentation:

- *CGDA needs to go back to its roots with a more rural character -- we don't need more town parks - who is going to pay for them?*
- *Onanda Park is a gem and a well-kept secret.*
- *These are loaded questions. You can't rate extent of need without considering the cost.*

There were also other responses not indicating a need for more parks which Mr. Finch failed to point out. For example Question 10 "Describe your opinion... The recreational opportunities are the best thing about living in the town. 62 % responded which is the second highest response of the 9 categories listed."

In this same category the question "the amount of town taxes I pay ... are one of the worst things about living in the town". This category received 38% of the respondents – the highest of any of the 9 categories listed. Some of the survey comments in this area which Mr. Finch did not mention.

- *CDGA is no different than any other town in the region across the board -- taxes are too high -- government and school systems are too big*
- *School taxes killing me. Will soon move to lower value home to curb Canandaigua school taxes*
- *We love everything about the Canandaigua area EXCEPT the high taxes (not necessarily Canandaigua, but NYS in general). We are seriously looking at relocating out of state upon retirement.*
- *The taxes are outrageous and the causes and cure for blue green algae, weeds and foam have to be determined or the lake will no longer be an asset*
- *Control spending and taxes*
- *Our taxes are way too high*
- *The amount of taxes we pay, there should be garbage and recycling pick up*

Question 14 - If 1 is "Most Important", please prioritize the following items: Parks Acquisition and Improvement. This question rated a 6 out of 7 categories - not that important from the standpoint of the respondents.

In town surveys, there was concern for the safety and dangerous conditions on West Lake Road; as others have pointed out, additional parks on West Lake Road will only exacerbate existing conditions.

- *Since you brought it up, West Lake Road is in dire need of improvement. This is the area of the town where the most taxes are probably collected, yet the infrastructure for drainage, recreation, and overall safety has been ignored. There are issues with German Brothers Marina causing safety concerns for pedestrians and bicyclists, as well as severe drainage issues throughout the town of Canandaigua along the west lake corridor. Also, the surface of West Lake Road has not been milled and repaved in many years.*
- *West Lake road from Parrish Rd to Foster Rd is constantly congested with trucks and vehicles parked on the roadway. Bike and pedestrian traffic is perilously close to the vehicle traffic. The blind curves and hills are dangerous due to parked trucks, pedestrians and bicyclists at the bends.*
- *West Lake Road is a problem with traffic - too fast, congestion, especially in summer with construction-lots of heavy trucks, lawn services-parking on the already too narrow road and walkers, runners, bicyclists, trying to avoid being hit.*

I realize West Lake Rd. is a county road, but there is a contractual arrangement with the county for the town to do maintenance on the road. Possibly the county and the town could work together solving West Lake Road problems before adding more congestion and creating a more dangerous situation with a Tichenor Park.

In addition to establishing the need for a park, the subject of tax increase is important to many people in the town as reflected in the Comprehensive Plan, Mr. Finch also did a tax rate analysis. With the purchase of the Tichenor Property as a park, at \$5.5M and yearly maintenance, he estimated an 11% increase in town tax. Mr. Finch showed that in 2019 \$3.8M or 48% of the towns expenses are offset by sales tax revenue. Sales tax is collected by Ontario County and redistributed to the County and Towns. A large part of that sales tax revenue comes from Eastview Mall. Eastview was closed for 100 days in 2020 because of Covid thus reducing sales tax revenue to the town. Reductions in sales tax revenue must be factored in for future town budgets. Historically there has been a steady rise in sales tax revenue to the town. Now not only is there not an increase, but a reduction. A potential future reduction in sales tax must be taken in to account. New York State has shown a 10% reduction in sales tax revenue in 2020 because of Covid 19. We can only surmise those reductions will continue. Consider that removing the Tichenor property from the tax rolls will further burden the tax payer.

For example in a Monroe County town, Henrietta, sales taxes dropped by about \$200,000 last year over the previous year. Of course, the trend prior had been about a growth of \$250,000 per year. So if you factor in the normal growth, they were down \$450,000 from where they would most likely have been without the pandemic. That's just the Town of Henrietta. The total sales tax for Monroe County was down much, much more.

Furthermore, commercial assessments were unaffected by the pandemic in this tax year because they are based on the condition of the property as of March 1, 2020. There was no real change due to COVID by March 1. But now, a year later, many, many businesses will have seen a significant drop in revenue. Any commercial assessment that uses the income method for assessment, which of course is very common with malls and other major retail areas, is going to potentially see a big drop in assessed value. With the lower tax base, you either need to increase the tax rate or you take a big hit on revenues.

In many of the emails the town has received there has been written that residents would gladly pay \$38 per year additional for the purchase of the Tichenor property. Although that is the figure of town tax increase that Mr. Finch estimated the owner of a \$303,000 home would pay, that is not the whole story. The burden to the average tax payer would be more than that. The Tichenor Point taxable property, if assessed at \$5.5M, would be taken off the tax rolls so those taxes would have to transfer to the town tax payer. In addition, the taxable value of the Tichenor property would be removed from the county and school tax rolls thus raising the amount the town taxpayers would have to pay to make up the difference for those loss of taxes. New York is hurting from a revenue stand point. In all probability, there would be less state aid this year and the town property tax payer would have to make up that difference. Once taxes are raised they never go back down. It would be fiscally irresponsible to pass on a 30 year tax increase to future generations when New York in general is the highest total taxed state in the nation at 12.28%. There will be increasing future state expenses that currently have revenue shortages.

By Mr. Finch's calculations on a hypothetical \$4.8M property there would be an addition to the town tax burden of \$266,000 and additional \$127,141 or a total of \$393,141 per year of either increased and/or lost revenue to all taxable entities (School, Town, County, etc.) that would have to be made up with additional taxes. The \$38 per year of additional town taxes is very misleading because it does not factor the loss of taxable revenue from Tichenor Point with a commercial sale at the new assessment at \$5.5 million.

Keep in mind also that Tichenor would be a seasonal park. The highlight of being on the lake would be the swimming and non-motorized boat launching opportunity which in reality is only a 3 month situation. With no ability to make a trail system, or hills there would be little to do in the park in the winter. Not much use for a \$5.5 million purchase. Unlike Onanda, where there is plenty to do year round, hiking, biking and sledding, there would not be that opportunity in the Tichenor property. The question has been asked - not sure if an answer has been provided for how much use Onanda and Schoolhouse actually get in a year. I know there is an attendant at Onanda and lifeguards at both so those statistics should be readily available. Updating infrastructure in Onanda and not charging access fees might be a good way to increase the use of this wonderful, full-featured park without assuming a 30 year tax burden.

I realize the Town's municipal water is provided by the City water plant located in the town on West Lake Road. What about a fiscally reasonable compromise and provide at least fishing, kayak, and paddleboard access on a floating dock on the 425 feet of shoreline in front of the Canandaigua Water Treatment plant? There is a parking lot and easy access.

In short, there are a number of additional financial impacts to be considered in the analysis of the true cost of acquiring and maintaining the Tichenor Point property. Further, although the community may philosophically support such an inclusive purchase, it may be more prudent to enhance and update features at Onanda so that this existing lake park can offer the same opportunities at much less cost to taxpayers.

Thank you,

Scott Hill



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Doug Finch, Town Manager

Natapow, Steve

From: Steve Natapow <snatapow@aol.com>
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Subject: Re: Tichenor Point

Ladies and Gentlemen, as a lifelong part time resident of Canandaigua lake I applaud the concept of improving lake access and more importantly preserving our beautiful asset. Spending six months a year in the Finger Lakes is a pleasure and privilege not taken lightly. Driving West Lake Rd several times weekly is a pleasure but requires constant awareness of erratic and dangerous situations especially approaching hills, turns and lake access areas. I have never understand how parking near German Brothers Marina is allowed and how no one has been killed. I thought all businesses had to provide ample parking in order to be permitted. Tichenor Point is and always has been a quiet residential neighborhood. I won't value in dollars and cents but the greatest future use is the proper number of private homes. As most have said the idea of improving Onanda and utilization of existing assets makes so much more sense without a large tax increase. Voices need to be heard and the message is loud and clear.... DO NOT pay absolutely ridiculous dollars for something that already exists and simply needs some tender loving care. Possibly a campaign to raise money for improvements to the park could eliminate a good deal of the cost and create no tax increase. I hope these constructive comments are received with the best of intentions and the results of your efforts rewarding fr all. Stephen and Lynn Natapow

Sent from my iPad,SDN

On Feb 17, 2021, at 10:21 AM, Lauren Dixon <Lauren@dixonschwabl.com> wrote:

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Partner

February 17, 2021

Town of Canandaigua
Town Board
5440 Route 5 & 20 West
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Re: Kellogg/Tichenor Point Property

Dear Town Board,

I have been asked to write this letter to you on behalf of my client Wanda Polisseni who resides at 4275 County Rd. 16 in the Town of Canandaigua. Her property is immediately adjacent to the proposed park. Unfortunately, we must voice our opposition to the proposed development for the following reasons. The area in question is currently a residential area and introducing a public park into this residential area will significantly impact character and home values. There are already two other water access parks within a few miles north and south of the site. Encouraging kayaking on the point and in the adjoining coves is unsafe due to proximity of high motorboat traffic. The proposed projected costs of the acquisition including operating costs and lost tax revenue is fiscally irresponsible.

For these reasons and a host of others we are opposed to the project.

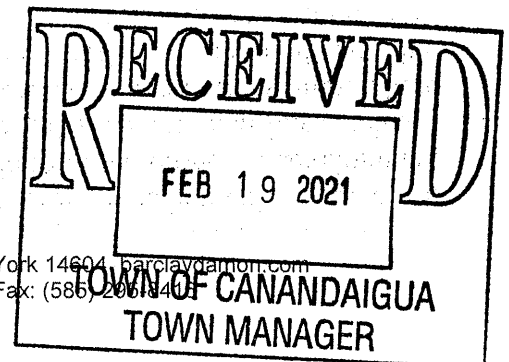
Very truly yours,

S/ Glenn E. Pezzulo

Glenn E. Pezzulo

GEP:llk

cc: Wanda Polisseni (via electronic mail)



Doug Finch, Town Manager

Van Der Stricht, Susan

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Date: Wed, 17 Feb 2021 11:50:14 -0500

Subject: Re: Tichenor Point

The van der Stricht family totally agrees with Lauren and Mike. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 17, 2021, at 11:36 AM, Sue Litzelman <slitzelm@gmail.com> wrote:

Thank you Lauren and Mike, Well written letter, to the point The Litzelman family totally agrees with you !

Sue and Jack

On Wed, Feb 17, 2021 at 11:31 AM <rdmcgavern@gmail.com> wrote:

Peter

I think you have to address Doug Finch to get counted.

Thank you for taking time to vote

Dick McGavern

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Doug Finch, Town Manager

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Subject: RE: Tichenor Point acquisition by town of Canandaigua

Mr. Hill,

Thank you so much for taking the time to send me an email about the proposed purchase of 4351 Tichenor Point Drive in the Town of Canandaigua for the purposes of a Town Park and public access to Canandaigua Lake. I very much appreciate you taking the time to share your thoughts, and your in depth review of the materials.

It is my understanding from your email that you are opposed to the Town purchasing the parcel. While I understand your position, I would like to take a moment to address some of the comments that you made specifically as they relate to the presentation that I gave to the public and the Town Board on January 11, 2021.

In your email to me you mention two specific examples of comments that were made of at least ten that were highlighted, with more covered in pages 15 – 34. Your email implies that I did not share comments with everyone about other matters such as “Cdga needs to go back to its roots...” or “Onanda Park is a gem and a well-kept secret”. These comments are actually in my presentation on pages 32 and 33. They are there and have been posted for everyone to read of the fifty-one comments that were made just on that section. As I mentioned you reference two comments of at least ten that were highlighted. The comments I highlighted specifically referenced a need for additional use or lake access. There were forty-one other comments that included a variety of items such as agriculture protection which we also work very hard on and have one of the most successful agriculture protection programs in the State of New York.

It appears that you may have already gone through the public survey results, which I very much appreciate you taking the time to review. All comments are public record and everything is available on the Town’s website. The webpage relating to the 2019/2020 Comp plan is located:

<http://www.townofcanandaigua.org/page.asp?id=196> The full public survey report is available:
<http://www.townofcanandaigua.org/documents/files/2019%2D11%2D15%20Comp%20Plan%20Survey%20%2D%20Final%20Report.pdf>. Additionally, the Town of Canandaigua over the past 15 years has hired professional firms to conduct citizen engagement, comprehensive planning, land use planning, and more; all of those plans and documents are also all on the website.

You mention in your email that I failed to point out other categories. Thank you for your opinion. The intent of my presentation was not to review the comprehensive plan documents or survey results in entirety, nor the previous versions that were created and adopted over the past fifteen years. The intent of this presentation was focused on lake access. The presentations of comprehensive plans and public hearings associated with the adoption of those documents were held at other times. The 2020 Comprehensive Plan was delayed with the COVID situation and is just finishing up now, and then will be headed to the Town Board for public hearings and adoption.

Regarding West Lake Road, or County Road 16. You mention the Town and County have an agreement. Please be advised that is for snow plowing only, the Town does not maintain County Road 16. You implied in your email about municipalities working together, and shared services, which is something we continuously do with many municipalities around the Town of Canandaigua. We regularly share services with the City of Canandaigua, Town of Bristol, Town of Hopewell, Canandaigua School District, Town of Gorham, Town of Farmington, and Ontario County.

Relating to the Town of Canandaigua budget and taxes I feel like I need to address some of the critical comments you have made regarding my presentation. As a Town of Canandaigua taxpayer and the Town's Budget Officer with a Master's degree in Public Administration and twenty years of municipal and financial experience I take my role very seriously in providing the Town of Canandaigua Town Board a balance well laid out tentative budget. The Town of Canandaigua Town Budget since 2017 is one of a very few budgets in our region that takes a multi-year look at what is going on and details comparisons. The budget page of the website of the Town of Canandaigua is available: <http://www.townofcanandaigua.org/page.asp?id=154>

Relating to sales tax, you are absolutely correct that sales tax was anticipated to be impacted for 2020 due to the COVID situation. In April 2020 I proposed a \$1M cut in anticipated sales tax revenue for the Town of Canandaigua due to the closure of East View Mall and the unknown relating to future sales tax revenue. Not only did I propose an immediate \$1M immediate cut in the revenue for sales tax, but an estimated loss in other revenues totaling nearly \$2.5M. Subsequently I proposed a nearly \$2.5M reduction in expenses to provide a balance budget. I am pleased to report the dramatic loss in sales tax revenue did not occur, even with the closure of East View Mall for such a long period. Subsequently twice in 2020 we had to amend the 2020 budget to increase revenues that we were receiving and sales tax when all was said and done for 2020 came in \$200,000.00 higher than budgeted for 2020. The 2021 now adopted Town Budget included a reduction in revenue sources such as sales tax compared to previous projections and trends such as you highlighted with the Town of Henrietta.

In regards to the \$38 increase, the new taxable value in my presentation includes the removal of both proprietries from the taxable value, thus the proposed \$38 for the average home in the Town of Canandaigua is the appropriate estimate. In 2017 the Town of Canandaigua constructed a new highway facility at a cost of approximately six million dollars. I am told that other communities in Monroe County have constructed very similar facilities in excess of eight million dollars. The Town of Canandaigua was able to keep cost down thanks to the hard working employees and highway crews who did much of the sight work themselves. The financial side of that equation was we originally estimated a \$ 0.25 - \$ 0.31 tax increase above the then tax rate of \$ 0.91 taking the Town tax rate to \$ 1.16 - \$ 1.22. I am pleased to report due to our conservative financial approach we were able to cut the proposed tax rate impact substantially to the point where the current Town tax rate is \$ 1.03 one of the lowest tax rates in all of the region, and the lowest of the communities in excess of ten thousand people. Not only did we keep the tax rate below anticipated, but we were able to receive a Aa2 bond rating and reduce our interest costs and term.

Regarding the \$4.8 million home. That is an actual home as are all four examples in my presentation and the actual worksheet in the parcel detail report of the Ontario County system known as OnCor. The home assessed at \$ 4,810,000.00 (page 104) would see an increase in the proposal from \$ 4,928.26 Town taxes with the current tax rate, to \$ 5,531.50 in the proposed 2022 tax rate if the Town were to finance \$6M with a annual debt service payment of \$266,124 (page 89). The increase for the \$4.8M home is \$603.24 per year (\$50.27 per month) with a total Town Tax bill of \$ 5,531.50 and a total tax bill including school and county of \$127,141.43 with the majority of that going to the Canandaigua School District (\$91,064.71). The Town tax rate does not change the school tax or county tax, so I am not sure where you come up with the additional tax burden of \$266,000.00 in your email. The tax rate currently for the Town of Canandaigua is \$1.03 per thousand of assessed value, with the proposal of \$1.15 per thousand.

The \$1.15 per thousand tax rate as shown is based on many other variables consistent with the 2021 adopted budget and showing the estimated need to increase the total Town tax levy to \$1,598,034 (page 95) if the full \$6M had to be financed and the debt service payment was \$266,000.00 per year. It is entirely possible the tax levy would be less than \$1,598,034 or it is also possible it would be higher for the 2022 budget; however, the presentation is designed to show if all factors were the same what the increase of the \$266,000.00 debt service payment would do to the need to levy against the taxpayers of the Town of Canandaigua.

I completely understand your position is to not support the proposal, which I respect. I also thank you for taking the time to review the presentation materials. Your comments will be provided to the public record. We will continue to update information on the proposal on the Town's website:

<http://www.townofcanandaigua.org/page.asp?id=238>

As always, if I can be of any assistance to you please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Subject: Tichenor Point acquisition by town of Canandaigua

I would like to comment on the proposed land purchase of Tichenor Point for park development. I am opposed and support all of the reasons previously voiced and written against the purchase. I appreciate the effort Mr. Finch put into the hour-long presentation on January 11. After viewing Mr. Finch's PowerPoint presentation, I was interested in the documents and reference to town studies that seemed to support "Exploring the need for public access to Canandaigua Lake".

Mr. Finch spent some time in his presentation referring to the 2019/2020 Canandaigua Comprehensive Plan Update to point out several specific respondent comments in the survey area of the Plan that supported the need for lake access town parks. Two examples were:

- *Lake access has become a joke. This town was once a great area for the residents. Not developments.*
- *Congestion is horrible throughout the summer. I would like more local restaurants to choose from too! The parks and trails are excellent.*

But there were other survey responses as well which Mr. Finch did not highlight in his presentation:

- *CGDA needs to go back to its roots with a more rural character -- we don't need more town parks - who is going to pay for them?*
- *Onanda Park is a gem and a well-kept secret.*
- *These are loaded questions. You can't rate extent of need without considering the cost.*

There were also other responses not indicating a need for more parks which Mr. Finch failed to point out. For example Question 10 "Describe your opinion... The recreational opportunities are the best thing about living in the town. 62 % responded which is the second highest response of the 9 categories listed."

In this same category the question *"the amount of town taxes I pay ... are one of the worst things about living in the town"*. This category received 38% of the respondents – the highest of any of the 9 categories listed. Some of the survey comments in this area which Mr. Finch did not mention.

- *CDGA is no different than any other town in the region across the board -- taxes are too high -- government and school systems are too big*
- *School taxes killing me. Will soon move to lower value home to curb Canandaigua school taxes*
- *We love everything about the Canandaigua area EXCEPT the high taxes (not necessarily Canandaigua, but NYS in general). We are seriously looking at relocating out of state upon retirement.*
- *The taxes are outrageous and the causes and cure for blue green algae, weeds and foam have to be determined or the lake will no longer be an asset*
- *Control spending and taxes*
- *Our taxes are way too high*
- *The amount of taxes we pay, there should be garbage and recycling pick up*

Question 14 - *If 1 is "Most Important", please prioritize the following items: Parks Acquisition and Improvement.* This question rated a 6 out of 7 categories - not that important from the standpoint of the respondents.

In town surveys, there was concern for the safety and dangerous conditions on West Lake Road; as others have pointed out, additional parks on West Lake Road will only exacerbate existing conditions.

- *Since you brought it up, West Lake Road is in dire need of improvement. This is the area of the town where the most taxes are probably collected, yet the infrastructure for drainage ,recreation, and overall safety has been ignored. There are issues with German Brothers Marina causing safety concerns for pedestrians and bicyclists, as well as severe drainage issues throughout the town of Canandaigua along the west lake corridor. Also, the surface of West Lake Road has not been milled and repaved in many years.*
- *West Lake road from Parrish Rd to Foster Rd is constantly congested with trucks and vehicles parked on the roadway. Bike and pedestrian traffic is perilously close to the vehicle traffic. The blind curves and hills are dangerous due to parked trucks, pedestrians and bicyclists at the bends.*
- *West Lake Road is a problem with traffic - too fast, congestion, especially in summer with construction-lots of heavy trucks, lawn services-parking on the already too narrow road and walkers, runners, bicyclists, trying to avoid being hit.*

I realize West Lake Rd. is a county road, but there is a contractual arrangement with the county for the town to do maintenance on the road. Possibly the county and the town could work together solving West Lake Road problems before adding more congestion and creating a more dangerous situation with a Tichenor Park.

In addition to establishing the need for a park, the subject of tax increase is important to many people in the town as reflected in the Comprehensive Plan, Mr. Finch also did a tax rate analysis. With the purchase of the Tichenor Property as a park, at \$5.5M and yearly maintenance, he estimated an 11% increase in town tax. Mr. Finch showed that in 2019 \$3.8M or 48% of the towns expenses are offset by sales tax revenue. Sales tax is collected by Ontario County and redistributed to the County and Towns. A large part of that sales tax revenue comes from Eastview Mall. Eastview was closed for 100 days in 2020 because of Covid thus reducing sales tax revenue to the town. Reductions in sales tax revenue must be factored in for future town budgets. Historically there has been a steady rise in sales tax revenue to the town. Now not only is there not an increase, but a reduction. A potential future reduction in sales tax must be taken in to account. New York State has shown a 10% reduction in sales tax revenue in 2020 because of Covid 19. We can only surmise those reductions will continue. Consider that removing the Tichenor property from the tax rolls will further burden the tax payer.

For example in a Monroe County town, Henrietta, sales taxes dropped by about \$200,000 last year over the previous year. Of course, the trend prior had been about a growth of \$250,000 per year. So if you factor in the normal growth, they were down \$450,000 from where they would most likely have been without the pandemic. That's just the Town of Henrietta. The total sales tax for Monroe County was down much, much more.

Furthermore, commercial assessments were unaffected by the pandemic in this tax year because they are based on the condition of the property as of March 1, 2020. There was no real change due to COVID by March 1. But now, a year later, many, many businesses will have seen a significant drop in revenue. Any commercial assessment that uses the income method for assessment, which of course is very common with malls and other major retail areas, is going to potentially see a big drop in assessed value. With the lower tax base, you either need to increase the tax rate or you take a big hit on revenues.

In many of the emails the town has received there has been written that residents would gladly pay \$38 per year additional for the purchase of the Tichenor property. Although that is the figure of town tax increase that Mr. Finch estimated the owner of a \$303,000 home would pay, that is not the whole story. The burden to the average tax payer would be more than that. The Tichenor Point taxable property, if assessed at \$5.5M, would be taken off the tax rolls so those taxes would have to transfer to the town tax payer. In addition, the taxable value of the Tichenor property would be removed from the county and school tax rolls thus raising the amount the town taxpayers would have to pay to make up the difference for those loss of taxes. New York is hurting from a revenue stand point. In all probability, there would be less state aid this year and the town property tax payer would have to make up that difference. Once taxes are raised they never go back down. It would be fiscally irresponsible to pass on a 30 year tax increase to future generations when New York in general is the highest total taxed state in the nation at 12.28%. There will be increasing future state expenses that currently have revenue shortages.

<https://wallethub.com/edu/states-with-highest-lowest-tax-burden/20494>

By Mr. Finch's calculations on a hypothetical \$4.8M property there would be an addition to the town tax burden of \$266,000 and additional \$127,141 or a total of \$393,141 per year of either increased and/or lost revenue to all taxable entities (School, Town, County, etc.) that would have to be made up with additional taxes. The \$38 per year of additional town taxes is very misleading because it does not factor the loss of taxable revenue from Tichenor Point with a commercial sale at the new assessment at \$5.5 million.

Keep in mind also that Tichenor would be a seasonal park. The highlight of being on the lake would be the swimming and non-motorized boat launching opportunity which in reality is only a 3 month situation. With no ability to make a trail system, or hills there would be little to do in the park in the winter. Not much use for a \$5.5 million purchase. Unlike Onanda, where there is plenty to do year round, hiking, biking and sledding, there would not be that opportunity in the Tichenor property. The question has been asked - not sure if an answer has been provided for how much use Onanda and Schoolhouse actually get in a year. I know there is an attendant at Onanda and lifeguards at both so those statistics should be readily available. Updating infrastructure in Onanda and not charging access fees might be a good way to increase the use of this wonderful, full-featured park without assuming a 30 year tax burden.

I realize the Town's municipal water is provided by the City water plant located in the town on West Lake Road. What about a fiscally reasonable compromise and provide at least fishing, kayak, and paddleboard access on a floating dock on the 425 feet of shoreline in front of the Canandaigua Water Treatment plant? There is a parking lot and easy access.

In short, there are a number of additional financial impacts to be considered in the analysis of the true cost of acquiring and maintaining the Tichenor Point property. Further, although the community may philosophically support such an inclusive purchase, it may be more prudent to enhance and update features at Onanda so that this existing lake park can offer the same opportunities at much less cost to taxpayers.

Thank you,

Scott Hill



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Subject: Re: Tichenor Point

Mr Finch

This is in full support of the comments from Laure Dixon below.

As a summer resident and owner at 4703 N. Menteth Drive ,I strongly agree with all points expressed.

Please listen to the clear and strong feelings of the residents in the area.

Thanks

Jose' J Coronas

On Feb 17, 2021, at 10:21 AM, Lauren Dixon <Lauren@dixonschwabl.com> wrote:

February 17, 2021

Dear Mr. Finch and Town Board Members:

We are in strong opposition to the proposed acquisition of the Kellogg property on Tichenor Point. While we favor more public access to the lake, we do not believe that this property is suitable for a town park.

During a pandemic, it is unconscionable to burden our town residents with a tax increase of 11% which represents the largest tax increase ever. The Town Board should be trying to cut taxes or at a minimum hold flat.

To purchase a piece of property for \$5.5 million plus the necessary improvements and ongoing maintenance for a town park that will accommodate up to only twenty cars seems outlandish. The town has stated that the use of the park would be for swimming, kayaking, canoeing and fishing. The seasonality of those activities is from Memorial Day to Labor Day – THREE MONTHS, maybe four months! Spending \$5.5 million of the town residents tax dollars makes absolutely no sense, when a fraction of that could be spent to upgrade Onanda Park with its existing infrastructure.

The Town cites a study that was done in 2018 for the Parks and Rec Master Plan outlining the residents desire to have more lake access. That survey was not statistically sound. And, in fact is not a Feasibility Study which needs to be specific to the Kellogg property at Tichenor Point. The taxpayers deserve to have a professional Feasibility Study done to determine the usage and actual need. Two board members have stated their desire to make this purchase is because “It’s an opportunity of a lifetime” ... well, that’s just plain irresponsible. The town should be run like a business, not the Town Board’s personal piggy bank.

Lauren Dixon and Mike Schwabl
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Thank you Lauren and Mike, Well written letter, to the point The Litzelman family totally agrees with you !

Sue and Jack

On Wed, Feb 17, 2021 at 11:31 AM <rdmcgavern@gmail.com> wrote:

Peter

I think you have to address Doug Finch to get counted.

Thank you for taking time to vote

Dick McGavern

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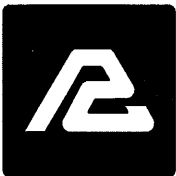
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The Schottland family completely supports the same position as Lauren and Mike.

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On Feb 17, 2021, at 10:21 AM, Lauren Dixon <Lauren@dixonschwabl.com> wrote:

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Dear Mr. Finch and Town Board Members:

We are in strong opposition to the proposed acquisition of the Kellogg property on Tichenor Point. While we favor more public access to the lake, we do not believe that this property is suitable for a town park.

During a pandemic, it is unconscionable to burden our town residents with a tax increase of 11% which represents the largest tax increase ever. The Town Board should be trying to cut taxes or at a minimum hold flat.

To purchase a piece of property for \$5.5 million plus the necessary improvements and ongoing maintenance for a town park that will accommodate up to only twenty cars seems outlandish. The town has stated that the use of the park would be for swimming, kayaking, canoeing and fishing. The seasonality of those activities is from Memorial Day to Labor Day – THREE MONTHS, maybe four months! Spending \$5.5 million of the town residents tax dollars makes absolutely no sense, when a fraction of that could be spent to upgrade Onanda Park with its existing infrastructure.

The Town cites a study that was done in 2018 for the Parks and Rec Master Plan outlining the residents desire to have more lake access. That survey was not statistically sound. And, in fact is not a Feasibility Study which needs to be specific to the Kellogg property at Tichenor Point. The taxpayers deserve to have a professional Feasibility Study done to determine the usage and actual need. Two board members have stated their desire to make this purchase is because “It’s an opportunity of a lifetime” ... well, that’s just plain irresponsible. The town should be run like a business, not the Town Board’s personal piggy bank.

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