LETTER TO RESIDENTS From MAYOF DOMO

On behalf of myself and the Plandome Manor Board of Trustees I would like to thank all our residents who took time from their busy day to vote and have their voices heard. Naturally we are disappointed in the outcome of the bond vote, but it does not end our pursuit of finding adequate space within the Village and moving our Village Hall back to Plandome Manor where it belongs. Also our hope is that this pristine, historic 300-year-old home can still be preserved and saved from demolition.

That brings me to a comment made by a Circle Dr. resident to Newsday insinuating that this board had not been transparent, honest, and lacked integrity. I take great offense to this.

We did our due diligence and presented the facts only to have those facts and reports twisted to serve the personal agendas of a group who would not even sign their names to their flyers and letters.

One of our trustees even received an unsigned threatening email from a ghost email address that we are now looking into. I am offering this letter into the record. One can disagree and has a right to their opinion, but no one has the right to disparage, harass and intimidate another whether they are an elected official, a testifying expert, or a private citizen.

Since January many of our village residents have been inundated with emails from unnamed sources and have complained to us about the intimidating and harassing door to door campaign, the bus stop confrontations and in the last week the numerous anonymous flyers and emails that went to private email addresses which this office did not provide to any group or person. To those residents I offer my sincere apology.

I am proud to work alongside these 4 very dedicated trustees sitting on this dais who are committed to this beautiful Village and to our residents. They serve our residents with honesty and integrity as does our hard-working staff.

Our decisions have always been based on what we felt was in the best interests for **all** Plandome Manor residents and we will continue to do so.

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Hi

This is the email:

BOT MTG 4-12-22 MINUTES ADDENDUM

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TO TrUSTEE D'Neill

Begin forwarded message:

From: mert fissher <<u>mertfisher01@yahoo.com></u> Subject: Congratulations Date: March 17, 2022 at 8:10:13 AM EDT To: <u>"patriciaoneillarchitect@gmail.com"</u> <<u>patriciaoneillarchitect@gmail.com></u>

Pat, I wanted to take a minute to congratulate IIII you on a job well done! I imagine you became an architect because you loved to build beautiful things. Unfortunately, it seems people, community relationships are not among the things you value. You have successfully destroyed our once peaceful village and worse, your personal agenda and ego set this entire mess in motion. In one fell swoop you have destroyed our community.

You all sit on this board and decide which people get fined, who can have variances, parking spaces in the streets, work done in/at their homes and you send Ed the thug to do your dirty work. And while people complained we put up with it. We put up with the glaring disparity between the two sides of the tracks. Clearly one side is the "princess" and the other "Cinderella". Again, everyone accepted this and lived our lives. Was the BOT having complete power over all your constituents not enough?

Apparently, not. You and (thug Ed) decided you would like to force your personal agenda on the community. Putting your ego and the potential ill gotten gains above all of your neighbors. And then you recruited Barbara and the rest of the BOT into your plan. I have no doubt that you all thought you could just do what you've done for your entire tenure and just do whatever you want and ignore everything and every one else.

Except that didn't happen. And you know why? Because you and the BOT did it with bad intentions. You were sneaky, underhanded and deceptive. And the more your friends and neighbors raised questions and concerns the more dishonest, corrupt and underhanded you all became.

This isn't a few thousand dollars we are talking about. It's a MILLION dollars at the minimum. That is our hard earned money you are spending without any consideration (other than getting your way to gain personally). How can you all sit as board members with straight faces and tell the people that paying a crazy amount of our money in taxes without any Pat, I wanted to take a minute to build beautiful things. Unfortunately, it seems people, community relationships are not among the things you value. You have successfully destroyed our once peaceful village and worse, your personal agenda and ego set this entire mess in motion. In one fell swoop you have destroyed our community.

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future financial consideration? Barbara actually had the audacity to tell everyone that the costs of maintaining and up keeping this giant, very old, bug invested house (forever) is going to be no more than what you pay currently in rent! You all cannot be that stupid. This house needs substantial work. Roof, electric to code, plumbing to code, extermination and that's for starters and without the costs of moving it. You are taking on a money pit FOREVER. and while maybe you will be successful in getting a bond...so you claim it won't cost us. You all know it is impossible for it not to cost all of Plandome Manor hundreds of thousands of dollars more a year FOREVER. For what? So you can get personal props "for saving an old house"? Which by the way is only a very tiny portion of this structure. Well...you know that as you designed part of the rest of it (shocker).

It's ironic how our "esteemed" mayor had the absolute audacity to be enraged that the acting Governor is attempting to hide a proposal for a new zoning law in a bill. And she's doing it without consideration of anyone else. Barbara is trying to solicit us to speak out, fight the politicians stop something she believes is wrong for the community. Has it really not occurred to any of you.....you are doing the exact same thing to us. But worse...your strapping us all into a financial burden forever!

In either case, nothing said here or anywhere else is going to matter to any one of you. Because now it's just about power and the BOT is fully invested in winning no matter the cost. You all have already been successful at ruining the peace of our community, ruining long standing friendships, pitted neighbors against each other, have neighbors spying on each other, and soon will ruin the aesthetic.

In the history of Plandome Manor has there ever been this many people speaking out against a BOT decision? No. Yet instead of listening, considering, working together with the community you all just dig in and make it worse and worse. You are the laughing stock of all the surrounding villages. Every single BOT member and resident from surrounding villages cannot believe what you guys are doing and are thankful they don't live in Plandome Manor. That's quite the legacy your creating for yourselves. As and architect I imagine legacy is something that would have meant something to you.

So I hope you're all proud of yourselves and that whatever you all are gaining personally is worth the cost to all of us.