

The Board of the McKownville Improvement Association met at the home of Dorothy Ellinwood on Wednesday, March 23, 1983. Those present were Jim Lane, Lindsay Childs, Steve Witham, Dorothy Ellinwood, Alice Torda, Don Reeb, and Bill Butler. Guest attending were Ed Renshaw, Carl Felson, and Kevin Moss, Town Supervisor.

Secretary read a letter from K. Moss in reply to our request not to move the Polling Place for District #1 from the McKownville Fire House to SUNYA campus. Action was taken by the Town Board on March 8, 1983 and the polling place will not be moved.

Treasurer reported \$53.18 in general fund and \$25.60 in the lawyers' fund.

Reeb asked that a letter be sent to Edward Swire, President of Stuyvesant Plaza concerning their promise to clean up trash along the east side of Fuller Road which accumulates there. This agreement was made about 3 years ago. A copy will be sent to K. Moss.

Jim Lane reported on a letter which he sent to Albany County Engineer, Cooney concerning the safety of SUNYA students who walk along Fuller Road in the winter. He asked for a) a crossing light on Fuller Road, b) extension of the sidewalk on the western side of Fuller Road about half block further than the existing sidewalk, and c) that the sidewalks be plowed during the winter so that students could safely walk to and from Stuyvesant Plaza.

Kevin Moss presented information on the SUNYA loop--a roadway that would allow traffic to travel east on Washington Avenue Extension and connect to the Northway and continue in a northerly direction. This was in the original plans of the roadways as presented by Crossgates, but was not in the final plans because the property belongs to SUNYA and they did not want to sell it. Moss feels however, it is worth trying again to obtain the property and build the loop because it would alleviate traffic on Western Avenue from Route 155 to the junction of Fuller Road Ext. and Route 20. And especially the piece of Route 20 from the entrance/exit of Crossgates to Fuller Road Ext. This loop was not presented as part of the DOT plans to re-do Exit 24 at the public hearing on March 15. If the loop is built without a public hearing, suits could be brought against DOT. Moss was asking opinions and reactions so that he could take the information back to DOT. This loop would come very close to the residents at the western end of Mercer and Providence, especially Renshaw and Felson. Noise and pollution would increase in this area. There was considerable discussion on the issue. The majority of the people at the meeting felt the loop would be more beneficial than non-beneficial. Reeb and Torda feel that the greatest benefit is to Crossgates.

Moss gave a brief report on parking problems on Elmwood caused by Coco's restaurant. At this date the problem seems to be resolved.

Next meeting will be held Monday, April 18 at the home of Jim Lane, 44 Providence Street at 8 PM.

*Dorothy Ellinwood Secy*