

# Town of Guilderland

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May 18, 1984

Dear Resident:

The Town Board of the Town of Guilderland is presently considering the purchase of approximately 7 acres of land for the purpose of establishing a neighborhood Park in McKownville. The Park would be located just east of Schoolhouse Road, south of the backyards of the properties along Oak Drive, west of Dr. Campione's property on McKown Road and north of approximately 7 acres of land which would remain with the Strawberry Lane Corporation, the present owner of the entire 14 acre parcel.

The Park would not be bounded by McKown Road. However, the Town Board is considering establishment of an easement solely for the purpose of establishing a walkway from the Park to McKown Road. The Town Board is also considering the establishment of a sewer easement across Dr. Campione's property in order to provide sewer facilities to the Park and to eliminate the sewer pump station located off Schoolhouse Road.

The Park land totals over 7 acres. It would be purchased by the Town for \$75,500. with \$56,625 of that sum coming from a grant from the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal. If the Park land were purchased, the Town would construct a Town Road to the Park and install water lines and the sewer line referred to above at the Town's expense. A rough estimate of the cost of the Road, Water and Sewer is approximately \$150,000.

On May 8th, 1984 a Public Hearing was held by the Town Board to consider a rezoning request made by the Strawberry Lane Corporation. The Corporation was looking to rezone to a Residential Business use the remaining 7 acres of land. This request was met with a great deal of opposition by many of you and while it appeared that the general sentiment was in favor of establishing a neighborhood Park, it was equally clear that the residents who spoke did not want the Park established if it was conditioned on approval of the request to rezone.

It was my considered opinion after that Hearing and after speaking with other members of the Town Board that the rezone request will be unanimously denied. On May 18th I met with Michael Samal, the President of Strawberry Lane Corporation to ask whether the land was still for sale for use as a

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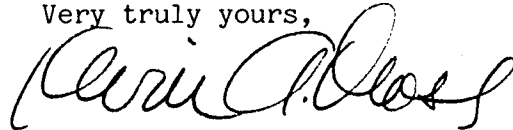
Park for the price mentioned above. Mr. Samal stated that he would still sell the land to the Town for use as a Park at the price mentioned above as long as the Town installs the utilities mentioned above and as long as that is done in the near future.

I am writing this letter to you to ask for your opinion and your input. I have enclosed a form for you to return to the Town stating your opinion. I also invite you to attend the next Town Board meeting at Town Hall on June 5th, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. This issue will then once again be discussed. Public comments on this issue will once again be entertained.

I would like to know whether or not residents would like the Park established taking into consideration everything I have mentioned above. The Town Board and I are looking for your input before making a decision in this matter. You should be aware that your views will not only be taken into consideration but will weigh heavily in our decision to establish or not to establish a Park at that site.

I look forward to hearing from you either in writing or at the Town Board Meeting on June 5th, 1984 at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Very truly yours,



Kevin A. Moss, Supervisor

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