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Hi Board members

Tomorrow---Tuesday July 7 at 7:30--the Town Board will be considering four actions--each of which we are in favor of and each of which Grimm and Redlich will be opposing.

We need as many at the meeting as possible to stand up and say that we need these things done and we need them now.

The four are.

City dump---change Guilderland contract from Albany City to Colonie--to reduce the stink--yes it may cost more because of transportation costs but it is important to reduce the stink for the people in McKownville. Hopefully commercial haulers picking up residential waste will also change dump sites but the Town action only controls where the stuff from the French Road site is hauled to.

Park/pond--it is time to make the pond/reservoir into a park--it is presently unusable by the public and it is time to stop the flooding of Fuller Road--Western Avenue--no it will not stop all the flooding for all time but it will help and the park will give McKownville a nice addition to its parks and its walking paths.

Storm sewers--the engineering study is necessary to begin the project--it would be better if we got the Stimulus funds from the federal government and that might yet happen but the engineering study, financed out of local tax money, may help us get the Stimulus funds--but we need to make a start now--there are too many families in McKownville who have suffered for years from the failed storm sewer system--the Town may end up having to pay for all of the new storm sewer system from local tax money. It is not fair to the people of McKownville to make them wait any longer.

Zoning--yes it is time to restudy the zoning ordinance. We need clarification of multiple points for citizen participation to be more effective--concerning fences on residential property (especially for corner lots), concerning so called home occupations, concerning enforcement of so called mother-in-law apartments, concerning residential and commercial site parking, concerning rights to question interpretation of the present law, concerning notification and re-notification of public meetings--and many other issues.

Please--if at all possible--come to the meeting and bring a friend--Supervisor Runion has stuck his neck out for us here in McKownville and we need to support him now--I hate to think what the future will look like if these proposed actions by the Town Board meet

with unopposed opposition. When will we get a better chance to make
McKownville a better neighborhood??

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