

GREENBURGH TOWN BOARD MEETING ~ MAY 22, 2024

First, I wish to discuss the Mural on Manhattan Ave. in the Fairview section of Unincorporated Greenburgh. Two years have passed; this topic has not been placed on a Town Board agenda for discussion.

Supervisor Feiner stated that he had received a letter from 3 Jewish people who did not want the face of Minister L. Farrakhan to be included on the Mural because they felt he was anti-Semitic. The opinion of 3 people is not sufficient for delaying the progress of the mural without offering any proof of Anti-Semitism. The names of the three Jewish individuals, who supposedly wrote the letter that has never been placed on record, was not read verbatim, and as far as I am concerned, it's bogus and there is no reason not to continue with the completion of the mural.

Also, every name of individuals on the Mural were of activists and advocates for justice, equity and equal rights under the law and the right to have an independent opinion without a white racist person stating who I can hold in esteem.

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was placed in jails in just about every southern state that he was invited to come and helps to right a wrong. Rating: Highest Esteem

El Hajj Malik El Shabazz, Malcolm X, nee Malcolm Little was called every ugly name that could think of and of course Anti-Semitism was one of the words, yet nothing was said about his face being removed from the mural. Highest Esteem

Muhammad Ali nee Caucasus Clay was placed in jail as a draft dodger, his boxing title rescinded because he stated: "I am not going to go to Viet Nam and kill anybody that never called me a nigger". I do believe that he was the only person who was placed in jail as a draft dodger and he would not be reinstated to box for several years. Highest Esteem

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I have tried repeatedly to obtain a handicapped parking sign to be placed in a position so that I can get into the van from my sidewalk. I contacted officer Recson in the traffic dept. before his promotion and I never received an response. Therefore I am requesting the Town Board to have someone contact me reregarding this issue. Somebody from the police dept. should respond to you.

I would also like to know why we have reinstated a K-9 Unit. What is it costing the town for maintaining this position and what purpose will it be to this community? When I think of a K-9 Unit I remember the manner in which the southern states dealt with peaceful protest marchers. I also do not understand why we needed to transfer two ranking police officers for Greenburgh from Mt. Vernon.

I've also contacted Com. Fon concerning building in Fairview without permits nor notification being given to those who are should be informed.

Thank you,

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