

**SUBJECTS FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2007**

Citizen's  
Forum  
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**SENIOR CITIZENS AND YOUNG COUPLES ARE SELECTIVELY DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BY THE PRESENT CONTRACTED CITY ASSESSOR AND HIS STAFF WITH AN END RESULT OF QUESTIONABLE COMPETENCE IN THE APPLICATION OF THE CURRENT APPRAISAL METHODS.**

**BOTH ON SITE INSPECTIONS AND THE USE OF COMPUTER GENERATED CITY WIDE SALES USED AS COMPARABLES ARE OFF THE CHART. EVERY PROPERTY OWNER IN DOVER SHOULD CHECK THEIR PROPERTY CARDS AND DEMAND ACCESS TO THE COMPARABLES (KNOWN AS COMPS IN THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.)**

**MANY CITIZENS ARE VERBALLY ABUSED WHEN QUESTIONING THEIR ASSESSMENTS AND IN AT LEAST 600 CASES RELATING TO RANCH STYLE HOMES THE ASSESSOR DELIVERED AN OCTOBER SURPRISE IN THE FORM OF A REVISED REASSESSMENT OF THE SEPTEMBER 07 ASSESSMENT NOTICES RECEIVED JUST A MONTH PRIOR. WE MUST KEEP IN MIND THAT THE SEPTEMBER VALUES BY LAW ARE THE VALUES DETERMINED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THAT YEAR BY THE VERY ASSESSOR WHO IS REASSESSING PROPERTY VALUES IN OCTOBER, 6 MONTHS AFTER THE APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> DEADLINE.**

**THIS SMELLS OF INCOMPETENCE, ARROGANCE AND TOTAL DISRESPECT FOR THE PEOPLE WHO WERE RECIPIENTS OF THE DOUBLE WHAMMY ASSESSMENTS.**

**Exception is made for CITY EMPLOYEES Jane and Claire in the assessor's office as they are very helpful, knowledgeable and well mannered.**

**THE ICE ARENAS ARE ANOTHER CONCERN AS THEY GO FURTHER IN DEBT; THE RESULT OF VERY POOR PLANNING BY THE PROMOTERS WHO HATCHED THIS GIANT ROTTEN EGG. THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS MUST BE BELOW INDUSTRY STANDARDS OR WE WOULDN'T BE IN THE NEGATIVE POSITION WE ARE IN. A TOTAL OVERSIGHT STUDY OF THESE LOSERS ARE IN ORDER. THE MARKETING OF THE ICE APPEARS TO BE MINIMAL AT BEST, IF THERE IS ANY MARKETING AT ALL.**

**A SERIOUS REVIEW OF THE ARREARS OF ALL ACCOUNT RECEIVABLES SHOULD BE CONDUCTED. ANY ACCOUNT RECIEVABLES IN ARREARS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO A CURRENT STATUS ASAP!**

**OVER THE YEARS THIS CITY HAS BEEN INUNDATED WITH CONTRACTED CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR EVERYTHING FROM BRIDGES TO ROADS TO CUTTING TREES ON BACK ROAD ILLEGALLY, TO LAWYERS AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS HIRED TO ASSIST IN HELPING THE PRP'S ESCAPE THEIR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION TO THE**

**CLEAN UP AND CAPPING OF THE TOLEND SUPERFUND SITE. IT'S APPARENT THIS CITY MANAGEMENT AND MAYOR AND A FEW CITY COUNCILORS HAVE WORKED INTENSELY TO BAIL THE PRP'S OUT OF THEIR OBLIGATION TO THE EPA AND THIS CITY. THE PRIME EXAMPLE IS THEIR HIDDEN EFFORT TO BRING CASSELLA WASTE SYSTEMS TO DOVER AND HAND OVER CONTROL OF THE TOLEND SUPERFUND SITE FOR A GRAND REOPENING OF A SOLID WASTE DUMP.**

**ONE WOULD NEVER KNOW THAT THIS CITY EMPLOYS TWO ENGINEERS ON THE COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFF; FOR WHAT? I ASK AND THEY TELL ME THESE ENGINEERS WRITE THE WORK ORDER REQUESTS FOR CONSULTING SERVICES; WHY THEN DO WE HAVE MANAGERS WHO ARE VERY HIGHLY PAID? DOES OUR FIRE CHIEF HIRE CONSULTING SERVICES TO SHOW HIM AND HIS CREWS HOW TO EXTINGUISH FIRES? DOES THE POLICE CHIEF HIRE CONSULTANTS TO GO ON DRUG RAIDS? OF COURSE NOT! I BELIEVE OUR DEPARTMENT MANAGERS ARE PAID TO MANAGE AND THEY SHOULD BE CAPABLE OF DETERMINING WHEN TO HIRE OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS AND TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY BID DOCUMENTS FOR THE REQUIRED SPECIALTY SERVICES. WE DO NOT NEED TWO ENGINEERS TO WRITE REQUESTS FOR OUTSIDE ENGINEERS AND REVIEW BIDS!**

**A LABOR INTENSIVE STUDY IS IN ORDER FOR THIS CITY. THE PUBLIC SHOULD DEMAND IT. THE WASTE OF TAXPAYER DOLLARS IS SOMETHING TO BEHOLD HERE IN DOVER. THE RECORDS STAND FOR THEMSELVES.**