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Petition update

Joe Cusumano on FT Appointments to Boards & Commissions



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Jan 4, 2016 — Via Joe Cusumano's Facebook page —

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More reasons for Ferguson Township residents to turn out en masse tonight

“IT’S NOT JUST ABOUT THE LAWSUITS: STATUS QUO APPOINTMENTS ATTEMPT TO THWART THE WILL OF THE VOTERS IN FERGUSON TOWNSHIP

In response to having lost 3 of 5 seats on the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors to members of the Clean Water Slate, the self-appointed rulers of our community have implemented a Plan B that aims to block the newly-elected members from enacting meaningful change. That’s why we need a strong showing to come to the meeting tonight **IN SUPPORT OF CHANGE**, as mandated by last November’s election results.

Here’s the skinny on the appointment recommendations being put forward by the status quo:

Dick Mascolo (Former BOS Chair, **DEFEATED** by 13% by Laura Dininni) is being recommended for **FOUR** positions: The Planning Commission (which voted **AGAINST** Toll Brothers, and pissed a lot of people off), the UAJA representative from Ferguson, the COG Executive Committee, and the COG Finance Committee. That’s right **FOUR** positions. The sheer audacity is breathtaking. These are major positions where Mr. Mascolo will be able to continue his networking and promotion of unsound development policies. Remember: Dick Mascolo has not only shown a profound disrespect for community members who disagree with him, he was a prime mover of the Toll Brothers development, and was on the BOS in 2004 when the plot of land off of Whitehall was initially upzoned. He is on record as saying that it’s ridiculous to think that the recharge area should not be developed.

Drew Clemson (Former BOS Chair, **DEFEATED** by 10% by Colleen Unroe) said “Happy New Year” by filing a lawsuit against Colleen, asking that her election be vacated and he be declared the winner. The Township, led by Mark Kunkle, has filed a separate, supporting lawsuit. **IN ADDITION**, Mr. Clemson is

being nominated to serve on the COG Public Safety Committee. This, in itself, isn't so bad: as a career police officer he knows something about the subject, and the position presents little threat to a change agenda. But given his lawsuit, the appointment deserves to be, and should be, opposed.

George Pytel (Former BOS Chair and major political insider) was on the BOS with Dick Mascolo in 2004 when they voted to upzone the land upon which The Toll Brothers development is being planned. He is being recommended for the Industrial & Commercial Development Authority. He is on record with Mr. Mascolo in saying that the recharge area should be developed. On top of that, he offers only more stale, sprawl-friendly ideas when we need new vision for a post-carbon future.

These people really do think that our local government should be their personal playground, and they are not about to let us take control of it. NOT WITHOUT A FIGHT.

I've attached a PDF of the official meeting agenda (click link) with my highlighting, so you can check it out yourself."

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