

Your Letters, Nov. 29

## Cary officials not living up to values statement

In reading the Statement of Values adopted by the Cary Town Council Aug. 22, I see several that are of interest:

"3. We will be honest, ethical and diligent. Our actions will comply with local, state and federal laws.

"4. We will treat everyone with dignity, respect and fairness."

The members of the Cary Town Council want us to believe they will be honest, ethical and diligent. Were they honest and ethical when:

- They decided to condemn the land for their sewage plant in New Hill prior to holding the first public meeting, and before New Hill residents knew about their plans.
- Mayor Ernie McAlister urged the other towns to not answer letters/e-mails or discuss the sewage plant.
- They allow Susan Moran to consistently lie to the news media about the site benefiting New Hill residents by telling the news media New Hill residents will be able to utilize the plant; and that to move the sewage plant to Progress Energy property will cause twice as much raw sewage to be pumped. When asked for documentation to support these outrageous statements, no answer was received.
- The Town Council claims to also have done a study in three days that shows moving the sewage plant to Progress Energy property will cost \$27 million. First of all, no governmental agency has ever done a study in three days. Second, the only documentation from their study is a one-page document that contains 10 lines. Granted all the numbers on those 10 lines adds to \$27 million; however, no other documentation of the study is available. And they expect us to believe this was a valid study.
- Council member Jennifer Robinson admits Cary did not consider impacts to the New Hill historic district, yet does nothing to rectify that error.

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- The targeted site Cary chose is in the middle of a neighborhood that is 87 percent minority. Cary tried to hide this by including minority statistics from neighborhoods that include parts of Apex, some 6 miles away.

On several occasions, I and many residents of New Hill have spoken to the Cary Town Council and pointed out their errors; however, we have been consistently ignored. Mayor McAlister will not even show the courtesy of looking at us when we are presenting to the Cary Town Council.

Now Cary wants us to believe everyone will be treated with dignity, respect and fairness.

The actions of the mayor and council members do not live up to their adopted Statement of Values.

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