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To the Members of the Town Board:

My husband and I attended the town meeting held on May 6th. We were struck by the fact that those who were supportive of the Ramapo Ballpark lived on the other end of the county, or at very least, several miles away.

One thing never mentioned is that we **already have a ballpark at Levy Park**, a location not more than a quarter of a mile from the proposed one. Try out the Can-Am league for a summer or two and see if the people attend. If the stadium is really for baseball and not rock concerts, then build something if needed. Extra bleachers and stands could be added to Levy Park. Satellite parking with bus drop off is already a countywide option. This way, the town does not have to **go broke** finding out. 25 million dollars is a lot of money for a team not successful 75% of the time.

We also need to **build sidewalks** up Pomona Road to the facility. People will be walking and someone may be struck down with all the traffic that will be generated. NO PARKING signs should be put on Carole Lane, Lori Court, and David Drive. If there is a charge for parking, everyone will be looking to park elsewhere. The same neighborhoods that are bearing the noise, traffic, and pollution will also have to endure cars parked on their streets.

We are concerned about **elevated noise levels** as well. There is no reason for fireworks. Children will be disturbed in their sleep and some afraid. Fireworks are currently held at RCC on the 4th of July - the appropriate time for them. To use them many times throughout the summer takes away the uniqueness of the event.

Lastly, what happened to "**Open Space**?" This piece of property was supposed to be parkland and open space for the town residents. We read about it in the newspaper. It was apparently just for public relations purposes. I hope you will consider some of these ideas.

Very truly yours,

Julie H. Banach
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Another excellent site for the Ballpark would be near the Jos. St. Lawrence Recreational Facility. The land is already "blighted" and it is near Route 17 and Interstate 287- no traffic difficulties. Also, no homes are nearby.