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Report to Telford Borough Council

Findings of Robert Jacobus, Councilman

RE: Indian Valley Public Library

The Library Loophole weaponized to Sexually Exploit Children

Mon, February 06, 2023

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Premise

The Indian Valley Public Library (IVPL) has received taxpayer dollars for more than a decade.

Prior council leadership communicated with the library leadership in early 2021 over concerns over advocacy in the culture war.

The July, 2021 IVPL response letter ignored the advocacy at issue and delivered a rebuke in the form of paperwork to file under the guise of banning books.

I personally followed up with concerns in the January 2023 council meeting.

More than enough time has past for our immediate action.

In the following pages, Exhibits are presented that establish the advocacy of the LGBTQ+ ideology to the public and specifically targeting children.

These exhibits further reveal the obscene literature and imagery that is regularly transmitted to children - a recruitment tool in the culture war.

NEW - Tutorials on using sex apps that in the hands of minors function to facilitate child sex trafficking.

NEW - Page 7 bottom three panels explain the enticement strategy deployed under the protection of the "Library Loophole" (pg 13 bottom)

This material is hard to look at. BUT do not flinch or shrink back. It is designed for children.

Brace yourselves.

Bob Jacobus

Exhibit 01 - Taking sides in Culture War

Promotion of LGBTQ+



Exhibit 02 - Direct promotion to minors

Promotion of LGBTQ+ *to children under 18 years*



Exhibit 03 - Obscenity in Graphic "how to" comic

Fun home : a family tragicomic

Bechdel, Alison 1960-(author, artist).



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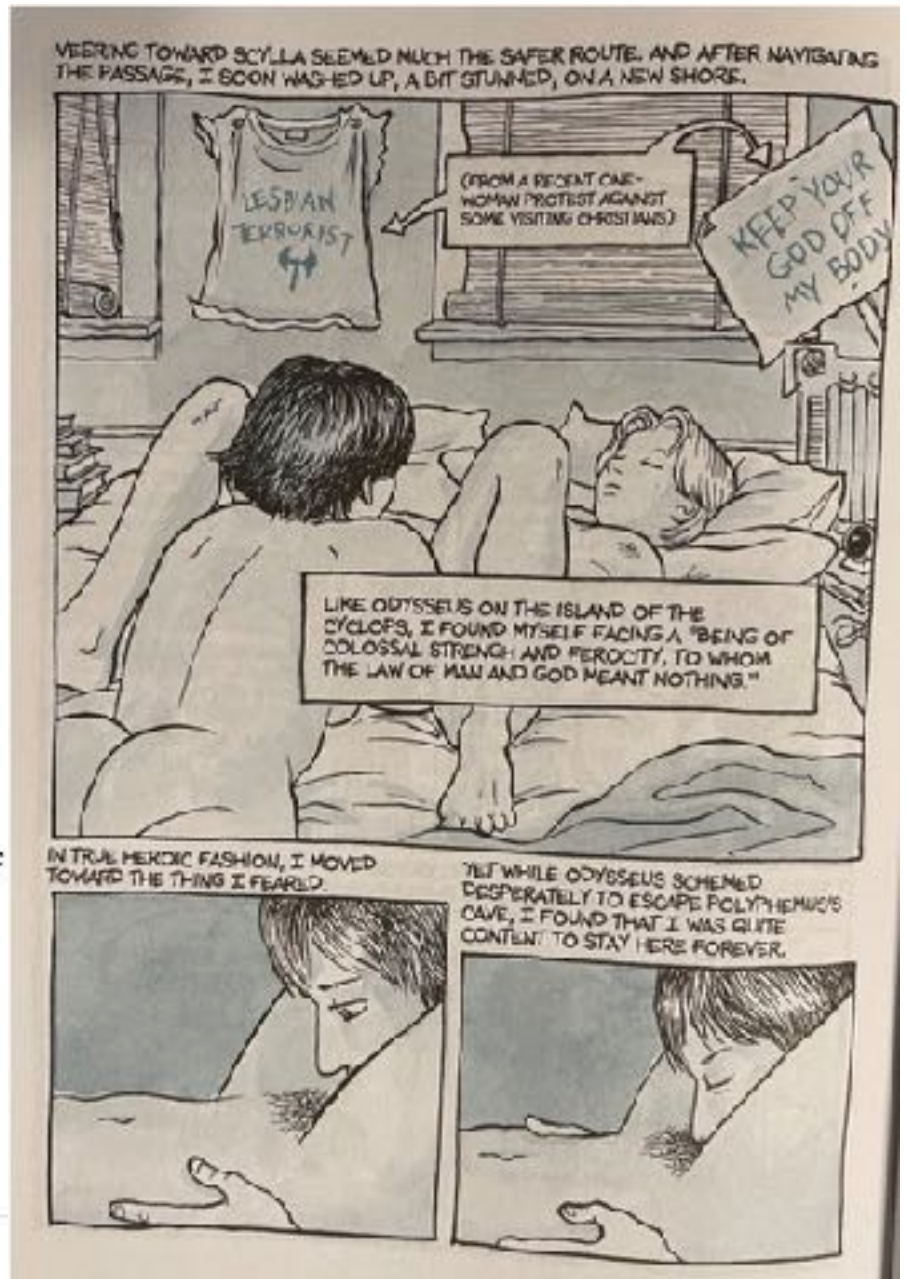
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Indian Valley Public Library	Graphic Novel Bechdel (Text)	39427101867240	Fiction Hallway: Graphic Novel	Checked Out	02/15/2023

Exhibit 04 - Obscenity & Plan to corrupt minors in narrative form

Gender queer : a memoir

Kobabe, Maia (author., artist.0(True)585128).

Kobabe, Phoebe (colorist.).



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Exhibit 04 continued... Gender Queer

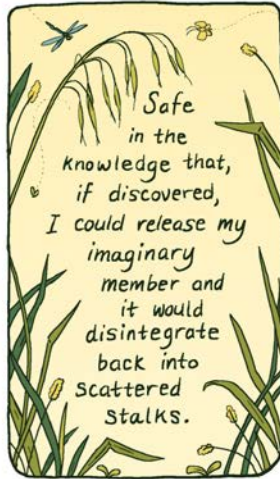
I WAS 11 OR 12 YEARS OLD THE FIRST TIME I CAN REMEMBER FANTASIZING ABOUT HAVING A PENIS.



I WAS LYING, FULLY CLOTHED, ON A HILLSIDE UNDER AN OPEN SKY.



I HELD A FOLDED HANDFUL OF GRASS BETWEEN MY LEGS.



Safe in the knowledge that, if discovered, I could release my imaginary member and it would disintegrate back into scattered stalks.



FOR YEARS MY STANDARD METHOD OF MASTURBATION WAS STUFFING A SOCK INTO THE FRONT OF MY PANTS AND MANIPULATING

The Bulge.



THIS WOULD EVOLVE INTO HIP-THRUSTING WHILE THINKING OF MY LATEST GAY SHIP ...



MEMORABLY, I GOT OFF ONCE WHILE DRIVING JUST BY RUBBING THE FRONT OF MY JEANS AND IMAGINING GETTING A *Blow JOB.**

* I PROMISE I'M A REALLY SAFE DRIVER.

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THE WORD "TRANSGENDER" ENTERED MY VOCABULARY IN THE SUMMER BEFORE HIGH SCHOOL.



I noted in a journal entry on June 9, 2003 that there had been a lot of articles on gay issues in the *San Francisco Chronicle*.



Including a profile of a lesbian whose partner was taking testosterone and had switched to male pronouns.



Over the next year, I also found articles on transgender magic in my mom's pagan magazines and gender rants in a pile of feminist zines given to me by a friend.

But where do I fit into all of this?



BOTH OF WHICH INCLUDE VERY TAME GAY SEX SCENES.



I can still recall a specific physical sensation I got from reading these scenes—



It felt as if lightning was coming from the pages.

Electricity flowing directly into my palms.

Exhibit 05 - "how to" guide in narrative form

All boys aren't blue : a memoir-manifesto

[Johnson, George M. \(George Matthew\) 1985-\(Author\).](#)



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Indian Valley Public Library	Young Adult B Johnson (Text)	39427103548285	Nonfiction Room: Young Adult Biography	Available	-

"He reached his hand down and pulled out my dick," "All Boys Aren't Blue" states. "He quickly went to giving me h***. I just sat back and enjoyed it as I could tell he was, too."

Pg 151 (alt ver - pg 266)

...He reached his hand down and pulled out my dick. He quickly went to giving me head. I just sat back and enjoyed it as I could tell he was, too...

Pg 152 (alt ver - pg 268)

...I remember the condom was blue and flavored like cotton candy. I put some lube on and got him up on his knees, and I began to slide into him from behind. I tried not to force it because I imagined that it would be painful; I didn't want this moment to be painful. So I eased in, slowly, until I heard him moan...

... I pulled out of him and kissed him while he masturbated. Then, he also came.

Pg 153 (alt ver - pg 269)

I was extremely nervous. There is a fear, as with most things that you were doing for the first time. But this was my ass, and I was struggling to imagine someone inside me. And he was... Large. But, I was gonna try.

I had previously topped someone who clearly enjoyed it, but he had been enjoying anal sex before I ever came along. He knew what to expect. I didn't. As an avid porn watcher, the only thing I knew about anal sex previously was that it was painful, or at least played up as such on the cameras.

Nervous and drunk, I listened and got on my stomach. He got on top and slowly inserted himself into me. It was the worst pain I think I ever felt in my life. He then added more lube and tried again, which felt better but not by much. He began his stroking motion. Eventually, I felt a mix of pleasure with the pain...

Flamer

[Curato, Mike](#)(author, illustrator.)



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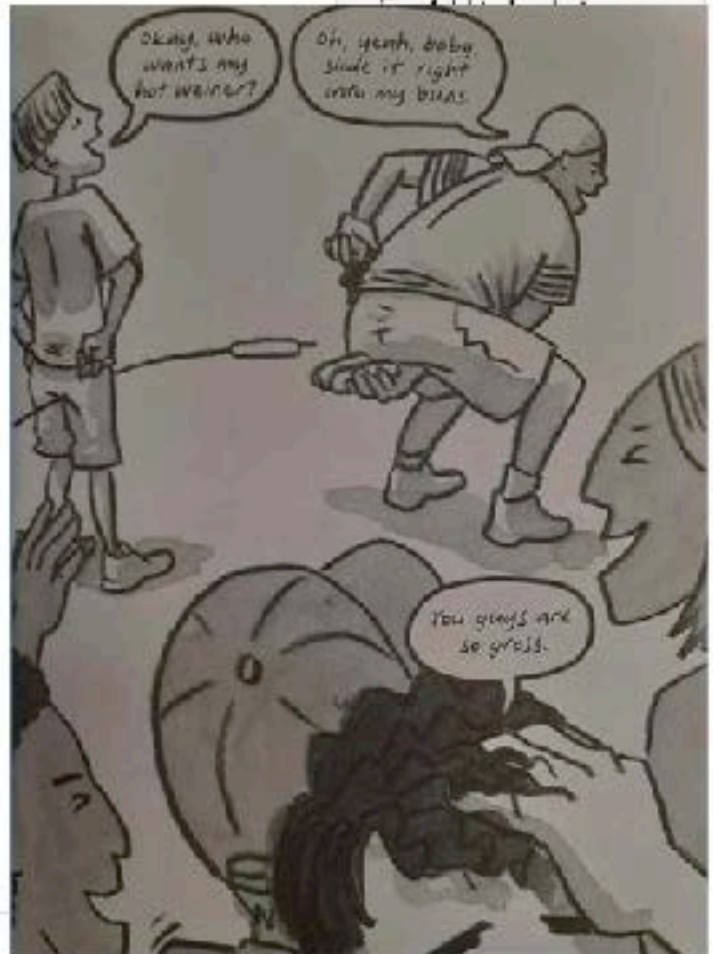
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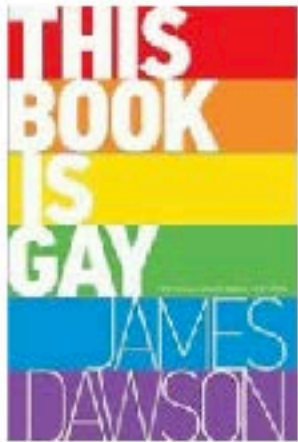
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Indian Valley Public Library	Young Adult Graphic Novel Curato (Text)	39427103660528	Young Adult Room: Young Adult Graphic Novels	Checked Out	01/23/2023

Exhibit 07 - Facilitating child sex trafficking

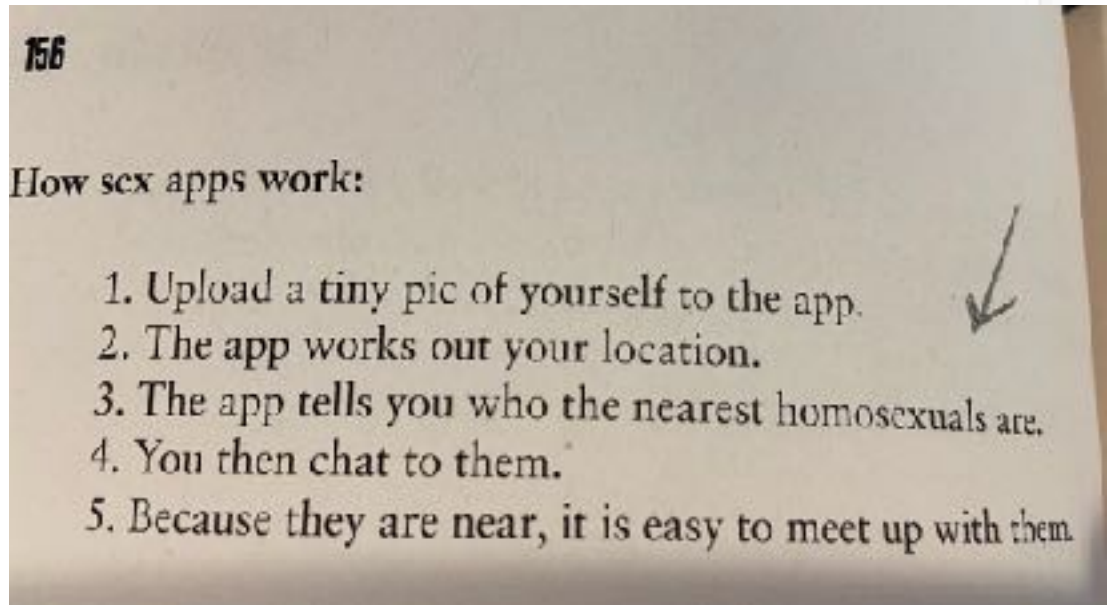
This book is gay

[Dawson, Juno \(Young adult fiction writer\)](#)(Author).

[Gerrell, Spike](#) (illustrator).



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tips on anal sex, hand jobs and suggests dating apps to find LGBTQ partners.

"A GOOD HANDIE is all about the wrist action. Rub the h*** of his c*** back and forth with your hand," "This Book is Gay" stated. "Try different speeds and pressures until he responds positively."

Location	Call Number / Copy Notes	Barcode	Shelving Location	Status	Due Date
Indian Valley Public Library	Young Adult 306.766 Dawson Relationships (Text)	39427102986932	Nonfiction Room: Young Adult Nonfiction	Available	

Pennsylvania Criminal Code - *Selected sections*

SOURCE: <https://www.legis.state.pa.us/WU01/LI/LI/CT/HTM/18/00.059.003.000..HTM>

Title 18 - § 5903. Obscene and other sexual materials and performances.

(a) Offenses defined.--No person, knowing the obscene character of the materials or performances involved, shall:

(1) display or cause or permit the display of any explicit sexual materials as defined in subsection (c) in or on any window, showcase, newsstand, display rack, billboard, display board, viewing screen, motion picture screen, marquee or similar place in such manner that the display is visible from any public street, highway, sidewalk, transportation facility or other public thoroughfare, or in any business or commercial establishment where minors, as a part of the general public or otherwise, are or will probably be exposed to view all or any part of such materials;

...

(5) (i) produce, present or direct any obscene performance or participate in a portion thereof that is obscene or that contributes to its obscenity; or

(ii) produce, present or direct any obscene performance or participate in a portion thereof that is obscene or that contributes to its obscenity if a minor is included;

(6) hire, employ, use or permit any minor child to do or assist in doing any act or thing mentioned in this subsection;

...

(b) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection:

...

"Minor." An individual under 18 years of age.

"Nude." Means showing the human male or female genitals, pubic area or buttocks with less than a fully opaque covering, or showing the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering of any portion thereof below the top of the nipple.

"Obscene." Any material or performance, if:

(1) the average person applying contemporary community standards would find that the subject matter taken as a whole appeals to the prurient interest;

(2) the subject matter depicts or describes in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct of a type described in this section; and

(3) the subject matter, taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, educational or scientific value.

...

"Sexual conduct." Patently offensive representations or descriptions of ultimate sexual acts, normal or perverted, actual or simulated, including sexual intercourse, anal or oral sodomy and sexual bestiality; and patently offensive representations or descriptions of masturbation, excretory functions, sadomasochistic abuse and lewd exhibition of the genitals.

...

(c) Dissemination to minors.--No person shall knowingly disseminate by sale, loan or otherwise explicit sexual materials to a minor. "Explicit sexual materials," as used in this subsection, means materials which are obscene or:

(1) any picture, photograph, drawing, sculpture, motion picture film, videotape or similar visual representation or image of a person or portion of the human body which depicts nudity, sexual conduct, or sadomasochistic abuse and which is harmful to minors; or

(2) any book, pamphlet, magazine, printed matter however reproduced, or sound recording which contains any matter enumerated in paragraph (1), or explicit and detailed verbal descriptions or narrative accounts of sexual excitement, sexual conduct, or sadomasochistic abuse and which, taken as a whole, is harmful to minors.

(e) Definitions.--As used in subsections (c) and (d) of this section:

...

(6) "Harmful to minors" means that quality of any description or representation, in whatever form, of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sadomasochistic abuse, when it:

- (i) predominantly appeals to the prurient, shameful, or morbid interest of minors; and
- (ii) is patently offensive to prevailing standards in the adult community as a whole with respect to what is suitable material for minors; and
- (iii) taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, educational or scientific value for minors.

...

(h) Criminal prosecution.--

(1) Any person who violates subsection (a), (a.1) or (f) is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. Violation of subsection (a) is a felony of the third degree if the offender has previously been convicted of a violation of subsection (a) or if the material was sold, distributed, prepared or published for the purpose of resale.

(2) Any person who violates subsection (c) or (d) is guilty of a felony of the third degree. Violation of subsection (c) or (d) is a felony of the second degree if the offender has previously been convicted of a violation of subsection (c) or (d).

(3) Findings made in an equity action shall not be binding in the criminal proceedings.

(j) Exemptions.--Nothing in this section shall apply to any recognized historical society or museum accorded charitable status by the Federal Government, any county, city, borough, township or town library, any public library, any library of any school, college or university or any archive or library under the supervision and control of the Commonwealth or a political subdivision.

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Note: Although the transmission of the Exhibits above violate our State Obscenity Laws... with "section j" exemption, the only power is power of the purse.

Remedy:

In brief, the library has chosen to take a position in the culture wars over gender, sexuality, and its expression with an emphasis targeting minors. Advocacy for the LGBTQ+ ideology and moral system is well within the purview of nonprofit organizations. As a recipient of public tax dollars required of borough citizens, such activities are not.

Understand, this is not about banning any particular book(s) or restricting individuals, groups or ideology from the library. This is about (1) advocating for an ideology and (2) transmitting obscenity, sexual “How to” narratives, novel sexual categories, and medically dangerous activity to minors.

This is essentially a choice.

A) Remain a public institution, a repository of knowledge in the legacy of Benjamin Franklin without ideological favor

~ OR ~

B) be a non-profit organization advocating for one side in the culture war, but without support from Borough taxpayers.

Legislatures generally are limited to the power of the purse and the passage of laws.

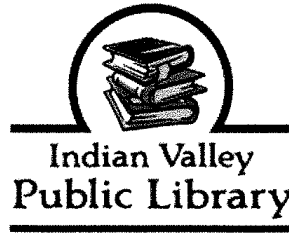
I recommend suspending funding until our children are protected from vicious obscenity. Simply, as condition of government funding, a library must:

- Remain a repository of knowledge. Stop all promotion of ideas and ideology in the culture war. Stop promotion of actions and behaviors that cause medical trauma and biological harm. Taking taxpayer dollars means ideological neutrality.
- Remove all pornographic materials, sexual narratives that equate to “how to” descriptions of sexual behavior, and ideological books that violate existing obscenity laws from library sections serving children under 18 years of age. Require parental/guardian approval of reading and borrowing of said materials.

Going forward, consider being given to the accountability of taxpayer funding

- Perhaps establish a permanent seat on the Library board of trustees for Telford Borough to send a voting representative and maintain clear communication. Note - this creates accountability for future taxpayer contributions, continues to make the Trustees aware of the whole public trust and not just those of ideologically driven donors and staff, and promotion of ongoing communication between our two leadership bodies.

Bob Jacobus



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July 19, 2021

Mr. A. Miles Arnott
Vice-President, Telford Borough
50 Penn Ave.
Telford, PA 18969

Dear Mr. Arnott,

It was brought to my attention that there were complaints lodged against a Pride Month book display at the Indian Valley Public Library. I am enclosing a copy of Indian Valley Public Library's Collection Development Policy that includes the Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials form.

The Board of Trustees, which has reviewed and adopted this policy on behalf of our library, has spent time thinking about the context in which the library operates. Any complaints need to be directed to me for action to be taken. We ask that you share this policy with the complainants if they wish to complete the form, thus beginning the process of reconsideration.

I thank you in advance for the use of your valuable time to share the Collection Development Policy with your constituents so they can follow the formal process of reconsideration of materials.

Sincerely,



Margie Stern, Director
mstern@ivpl.org

cc: John Taylor, Jeffrey D. Maxwell, Carolyn A. Crouthamel, Robert S. Baker, William Ashley, Mark Gehman, Mark D. Fournier

UPDATE - Response from Council posted on front page of official Telford Borough website 2023-02-13:

— via www.telfordborough.org

A Message From the Manager
Telford Borough Council Public Statement

February 13, 2023

The members of the Telford Borough Council would like to thank everyone who attended the Council meeting on Monday, February 6th, 2023. Council members who have signed below and your Honorable Mayor (collectively “Council”) appreciate your collective concerns for our community, and your willingness to respectfully articulate your positions.

The undersigned Council members and the Mayor publicly state the following:

After much deliberation last year during the analysis for the 2023 budget, Telford’s contribution to the Indian Valley Public Library (IVPL) was reduced to soften a tax increase that is necessary to provide the necessary financial resources for our Police Department to hire a much-needed additional police officer.

Council did not and will not support any efforts to cancel our contributions to the IVPL. Council continues to support the IVPL, recognizing the valuable services it delivers to our community. Council has not and will not support Council Member, Robert Jacobus’ endeavor to cancel or delay distribution of the funds budgeted this year to the IVPL.

Council hears and shares your concerns for our community. Like you, we want to live in a thriving and welcoming community. Council members are your neighbors; we live here and many of us work here. As Council members elected by you, we volunteer our time to strengthen Telford. We want you to be able to raise your families, brag about your neighborhoods, enjoy fun activities and feel safe in Telford.

At the end of 2022, Council voted to reduce the funding that had been given to the IVPL in previous years. This difficult decision was rendered after much deliberation and was made to mitigate a tax increase and meet the public safety needs of our community. The 2023 budget saw reductions in many areas. It was noted at the February 6th Council meeting that the hiring of one additional full-time police officer precipitated the reduction in funding to the IVPL, that is not the case, there were many factors including:

Overall economic conditions resulting in increased costs in many areas of the budget.

2022 staffing changes that were unplanned and thus unbudgeted, but necessary.

4% salary increase for the Telford Borough Police Department (contractual), and Borough employees.

The reduction in funding to the IVPL was not a commentary on the services that the library provides to our community. Council recognizes that the library, and many other organizations,

provide valuable services to you and our fellow Borough residents. As Telford Borough begins the process of creating a 5-year budget plan we will solicit and welcome the input of our residents and various stakeholder groups.

Beginning in March, the Telford Borough Council will meet at 7:30 pm, on the second Monday of the month, at the Telford Borough Hall. Minutes of past meetings are available at our Borough website located at www.telfordborough.org. Agendas for upcoming meetings, including any changes in meeting schedules, may be found on our website. In an effort to improve communication and transparency, we are currently in the process of updating and improving our website, so stay tuned for improvements.

We want to clear up inaccurate statements made during the February 6th Council meeting:

Council did not request, authorize, participate in the production of, nor approve Member Jacobus' materials on the IVPL.

Members of Council are volunteers and do not receive any compensation for the time and efforts they devote to our community, with the only exception being the President of Council, who along with the Mayor receive a stipend of \$300 per year. Council members receive \$4,000 of life insurance while in office.

Questions about Borough matters, or the 2023 Telford Borough budget, should be directed to the Borough Manager at manager@telfordborough.org or via phone at 215-723-5000. Information about the IVPL may be found at <https://www.ivpl.org> or call 215-723-9109.

Council has received many written and verbal inquiries regarding the February 6th Council meeting and the events and information disseminated prior to the meeting. We, the undersigned, sincerely hope this statement will clarify Council's position and address your concerns.

The undersigned Council members and your Honorable Mayor have been, and will continue to be, fully committed to our Oath of Office and the duties associated with the positions we hold. The below signed Council members and our Honorable Mayor attest to the truth of the above facts.

With gratitude for your dedication to Telford Borough, Council Members and our Honorable Mayor.

Mayor Jerry Guretse

Council President Bill Ashley
Council member Carolyn Crouthamel
Council member Eric Kratz
Council member Spencer Kulhanjian
Council member John A Taylor
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