Louisa Chiaramonte:

2. I was not at the table, so I will not pretend I know every briefing note. The decision I would have handled differently is the initial acceptance of the donated Gandhi statue without a genuine town-wide conversation. Council later reversed that vote after residents made it clear they had not been heard. That reversal was the right second step. The first step should never have been needed. I would have paused, published the proposal, invited public comment before a vote, and treated public art the same way we should treat any lasting civic decision: listen first, then decide. I also would have pushed harder for a year-round pedestrian solution on Chaffey Township Road, not a cheaper seasonal option.That road has more traffic, more homes, and children walking toward school. Residents have been asking for a safe walking route for years.

3. By the end of the term, Chaffey Township Road would have a completed, usable pedestrian connection and safer school walking routes, with Ravenscliffe and Waseosa still on a published safety list rather than a forgotten one.That is measurable. What this seat can do is finish the infrastructure people trip over every day and prove that the rural half of this new ward is not an afterthought. I would also publish a short ward listening record after major votes: what residents said, what staff reported, and why I voted the way I did.