

Letters to the editor

Disconnected from reality

We get constant reminders about the Whitefish City Council's disconnect from economic reality.

Recently councilor John Anderson voted against lowering the \$6,443 impact fee for new homes, even though a committee had recommended cutting the fee. Mr. Anderson said he paid this fee to build his new house because, he said, "I like being in Whitefish."

Of course, it may be easy for a Kalispell lawyer like Mr. Anderson to afford nearly \$6,500 in impact fees to build his house. But for most folks in Whitefish, that's a lot of money.

These same councilors who refuse to lower building costs in Whitefish bemoan the lack

of affordable housing. Only a Whitefish-way politician could fail to see the obvious connection.

— *Bob McConnell*

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Wounded Warriors

I am the mother of Special Forces Warrant Officer Scott Schroeder who with his wife Laura, has spent the last week in your beautiful town with the Wounded Warrior Project.

My heartfelt thanks go out to every person and business that was in any way connected to this project. It is hard to express how grateful we are to people like you.

With Scott's injuries we never dreamed he would be able to do the things he has accom-