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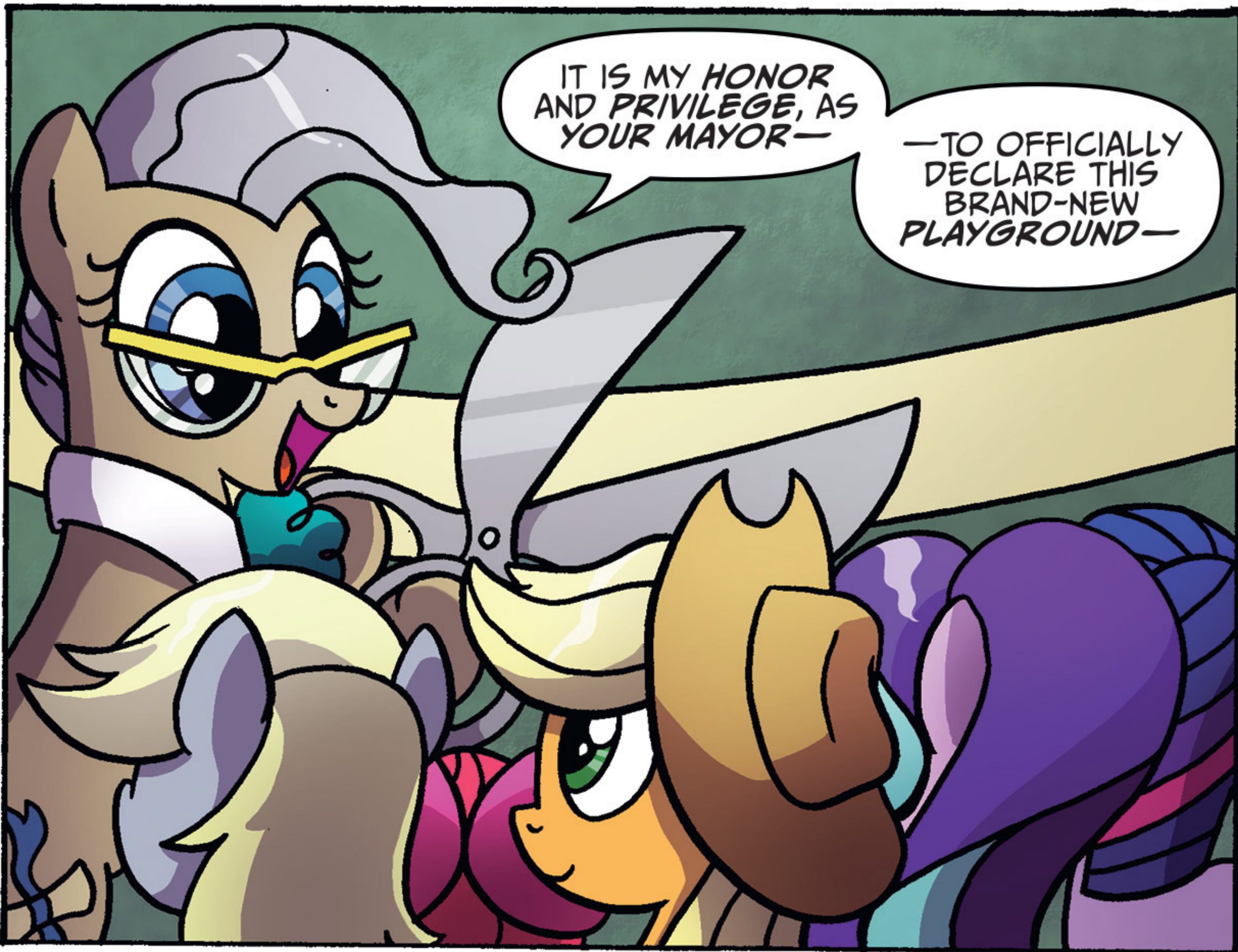
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FILLIES AND GENTLECOLTS!



IT IS MY HONOR AND PRIVILEGE, AS YOUR MAYOR—

—TO OFFICIALLY DECLARE THIS BRAND-NEW PLAYGROUND—



—OPEN!

SNIP



CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP

YEAH!

NEW PLAYGROUND!

MAYOR MARE REALLY KNOWS HOW TO PUT ON AN EVENT!

YOU GOT THAT RIGHT!





AFTER TH' APPLE FAMILY DONATED THIS LAND TO THE CITY—

—I KNEW TH' MAYOR WOULD MAKE GOOD USE OF IT!



SHE CERTAINLY SEEMS TO DO A GOOD JOB AS MAYOR...

OH, ABSOLUTELY!



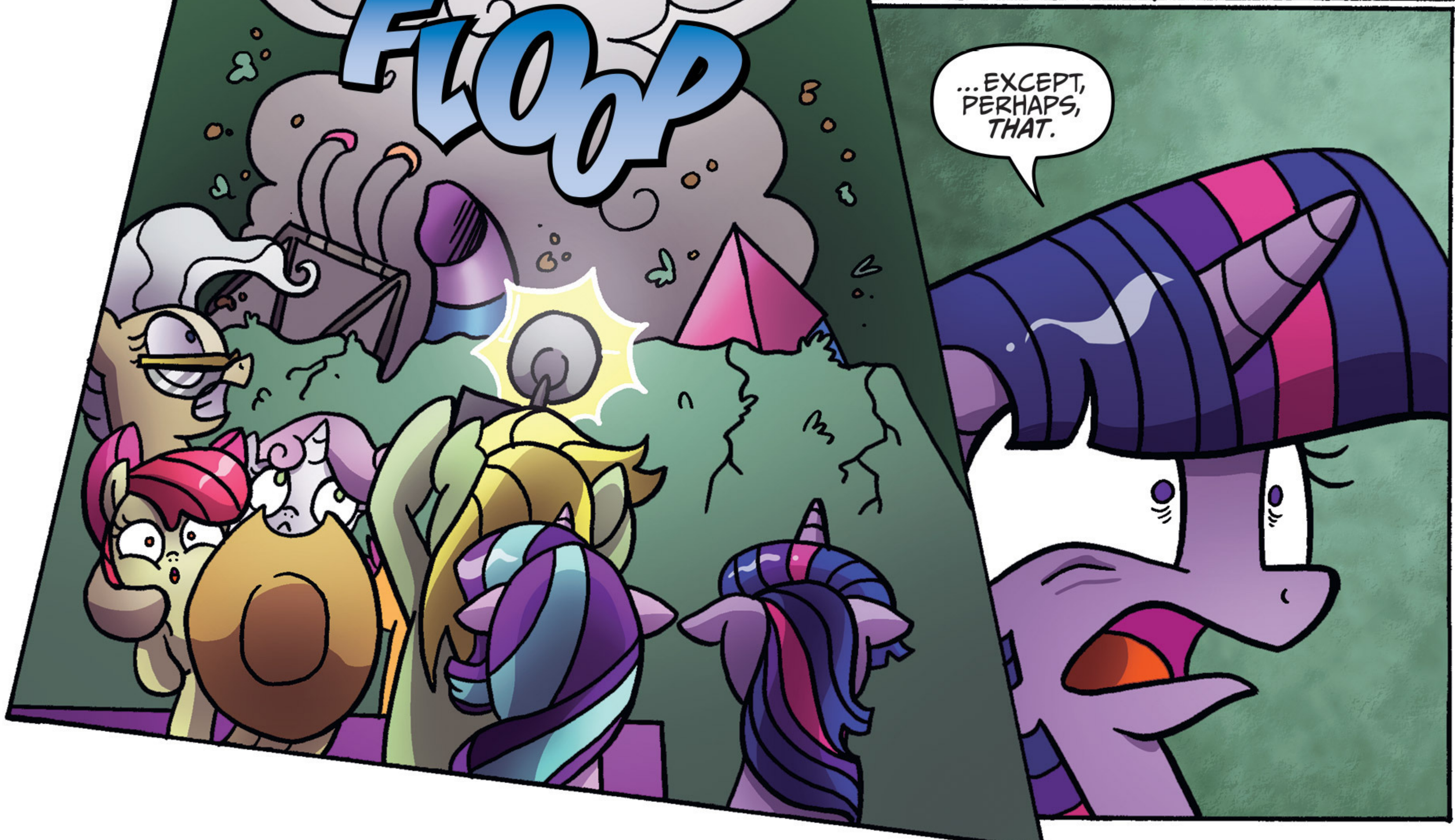
SHE'S FACED ALL SORTS OF CALAMITIES AND CRISES WHILE I'VE BEEN HERE—

—AND THERE'S NOTHING SHE CAN'T HANDLE!

**RUMBLE**



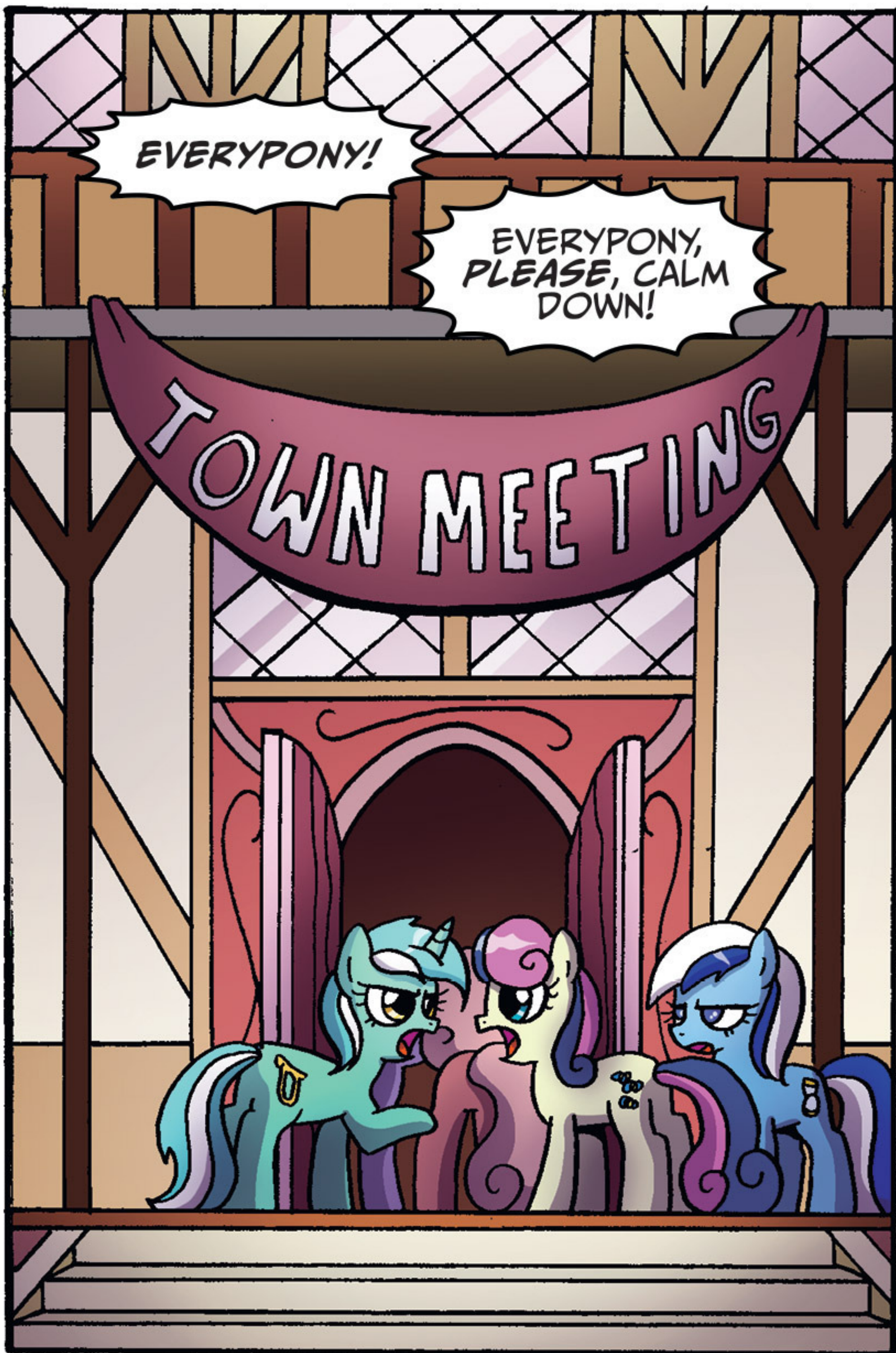
rubble rubble RUMBLE



...EXCEPT, PERHAPS, THAT.

**FLOOP**





EVERYPONY!

EVERYPONY,  
PLEASE, CALM  
DOWN!



ORDER!

I CALL THIS  
TOWN MEETING  
TO ORDER!



THIS MEETING IS TO DISCUSS  
THE RECENT *UNEXPLAINED*  
DESTRUCTION OF THE  
NEW PLAYGROUND.

OBVIOUSLY,  
I AM JUST AS  
CONCERNED AS  
ALL OF YOU  
ARE!



THERE  
WERE NO  
*EARTHQUAKES*  
ANYWHERE NEAR  
PONYVILLE.

AND THE  
HILL UNDER THE  
PLAYGROUND WAS  
COMPLETELY  
SOLID!



I'VE ASKED  
OUR *GEOLOGISTS*  
TO FIND A NEW  
SPOT FOR THE  
PLAYGROUND.

WE WILL  
TAKE STOCK  
AND TRY  
AGAIN—

—AND,  
HOPEFULLY, WE'LL  
DO BETTER NEXT  
TIME!



IS THAT  
IT?





WHAT OPERATION ARE YOU *RUNNIN'*, MAYOR?

THAT LAND'S BEEN IN THE APPLE FAMILY FER YEARS!

AND AS SOON AS YOU START BUILDIN' ON IT, IT GOES "FLOOP" AN' FALLS APART LIKE A SAND CASTLE!



I KNOW, AND WE'RE *SORRY* ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR DONATED LAND, GRANNY SMITH.

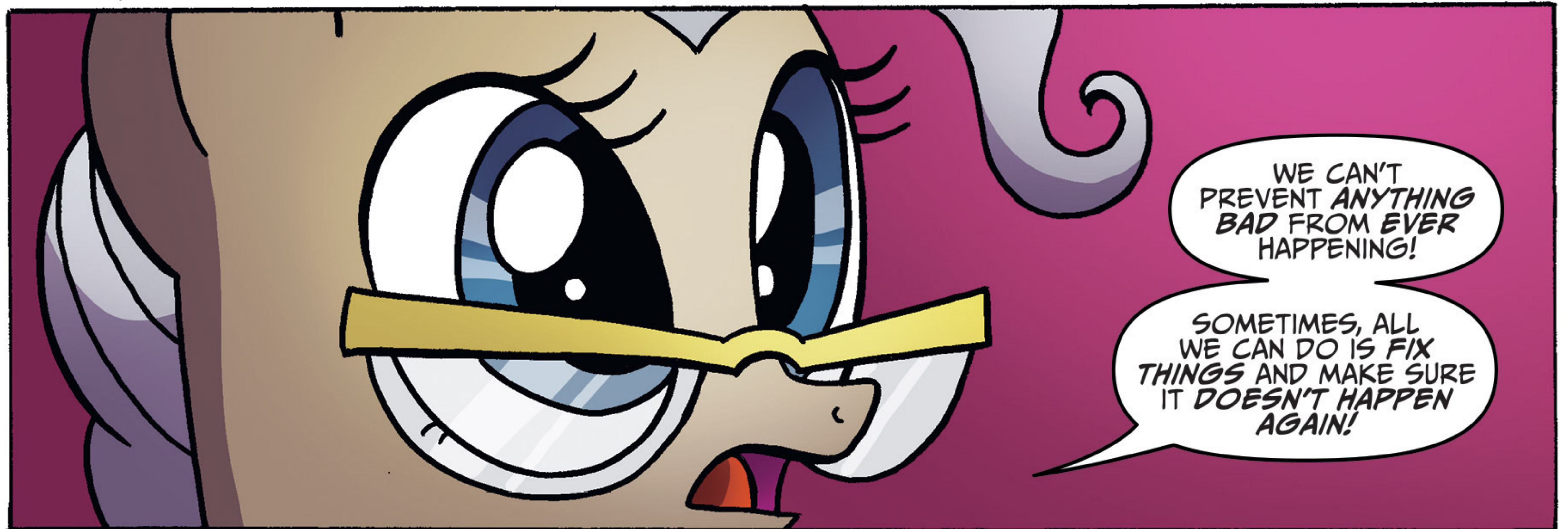
OUR SURVEYORS AREN'T SURE *WHAT* HAPPENED TO THAT HILL!



SO—SO ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE MIGHT HAPPEN?

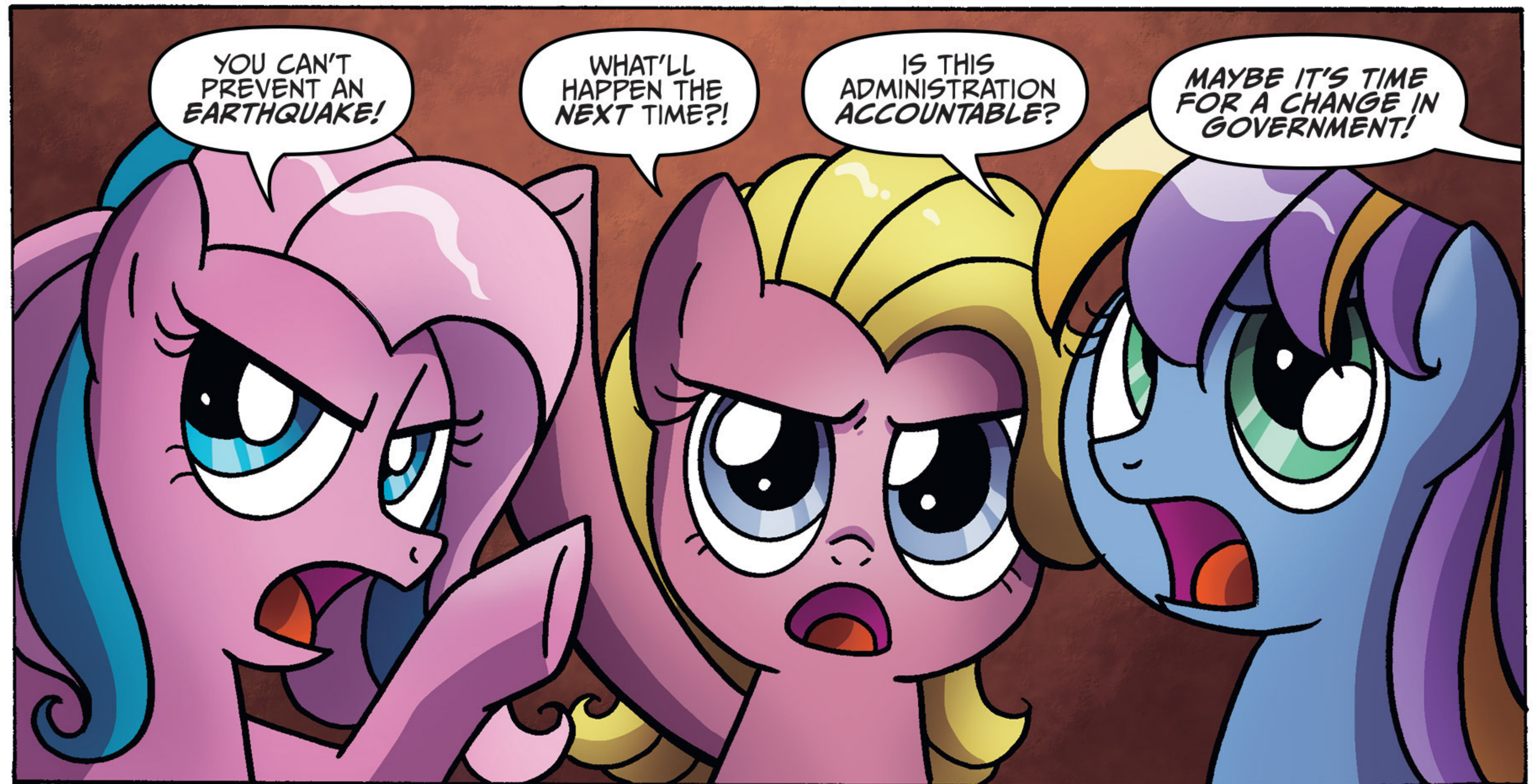
WELL, YES, *MAYBE*—

BUT WE CAN *PREPARE* FOR IT!



WE CAN'T PREVENT *ANYTHING* BAD FROM *EVER* HAPPENING!

SOMETIMES, ALL WE CAN DO IS *FIX* THINGS AND MAKE SURE IT *DOESN'T* HAPPEN AGAIN!



YOU CAN'T PREVENT AN EARTHQUAKE!

WHAT'LL HAPPEN THE NEXT TIME?!

IS THIS ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTABLE?

*MAYBE* IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT!





MAYBE IT'S TIME FOR A PONY WITH **BUSINESS** EXPERIENCE TO TAKE OVER!



FILTHY RICH—



WHILE WE APPRECIATE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS, IF YOU HAVE A LONGER SPEECH TO MAKE, I SUGGEST—

THIS TOWN NEEDS A **SHAKE-UP!** SOME FRESH, NEW IDEAS!

IT NEEDS SOMEONY WITH A VISION TO COME IN AND CHANGE THINGS UP!



MISTER RICH!

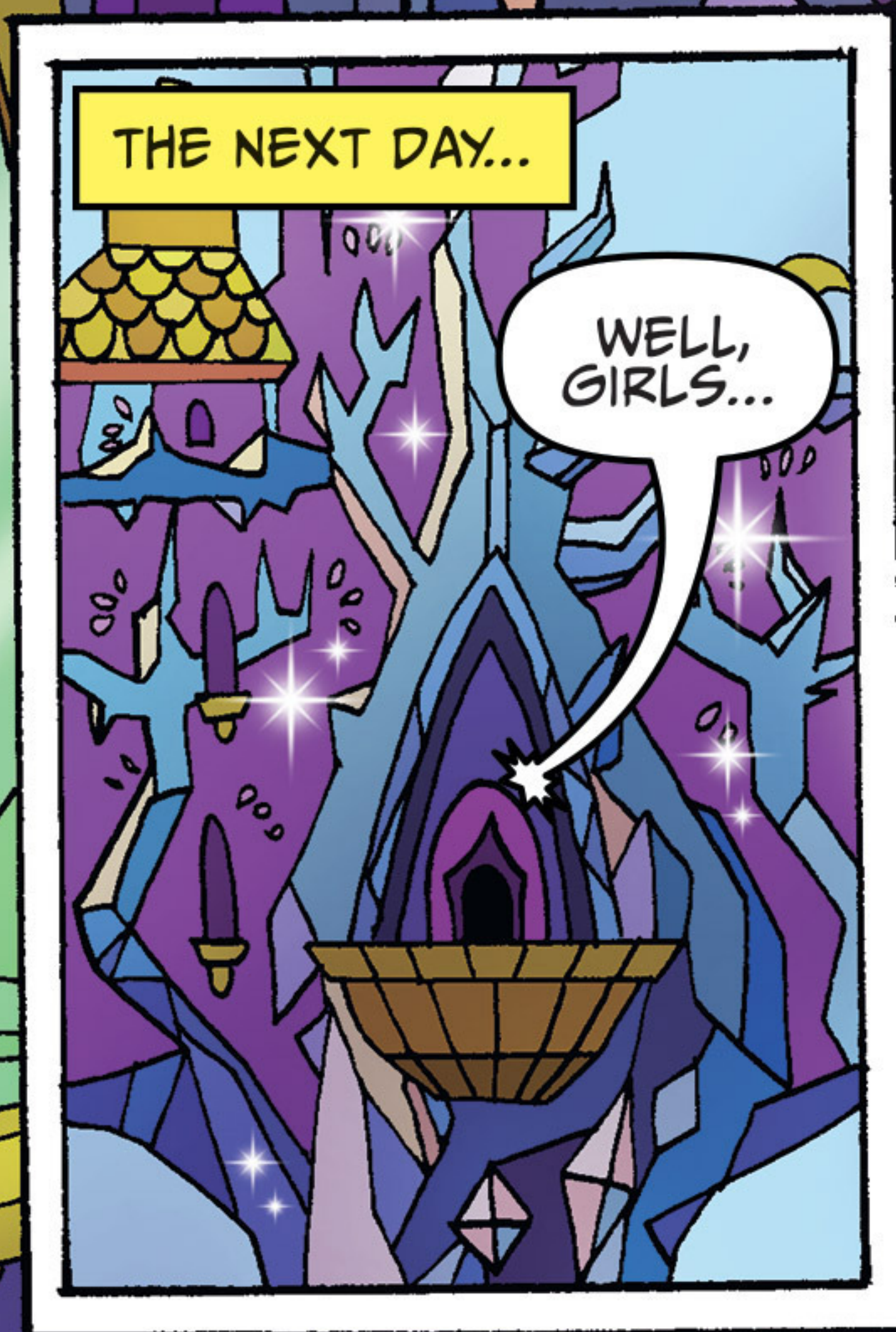
ARE YOU IMPLYING WHAT YOU SEEM TO BE IMPLYING? DO YOU INTEND TO THROW YOUR HAT IN THE RING?

HA HA! I DON'T KNOW ABOUT HATS, FOLKS, BUT LET ME BE PERFECTLY CLEAR—

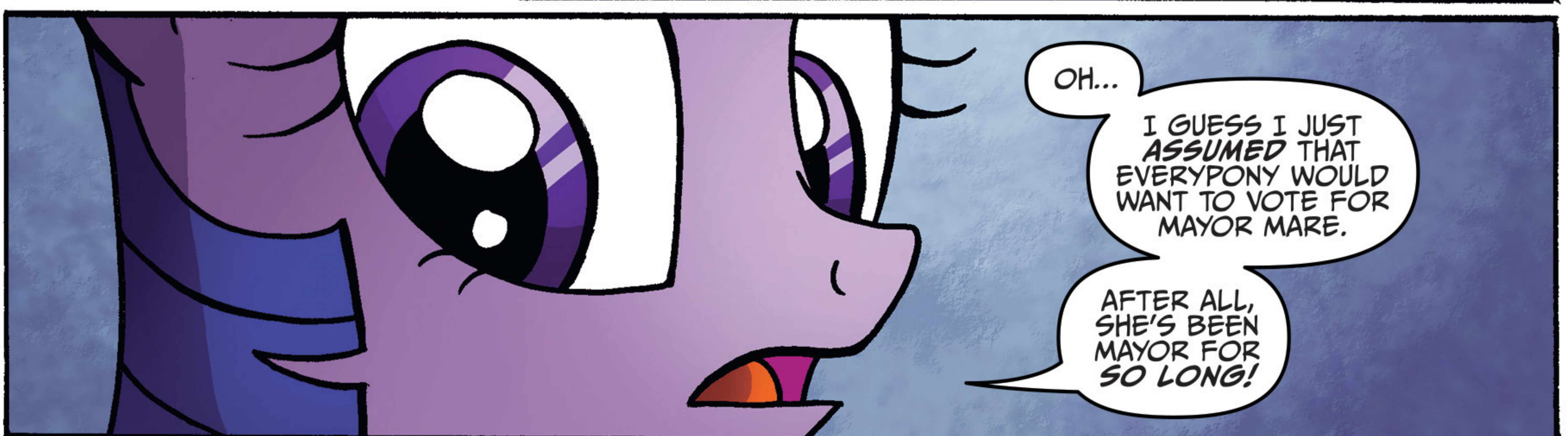
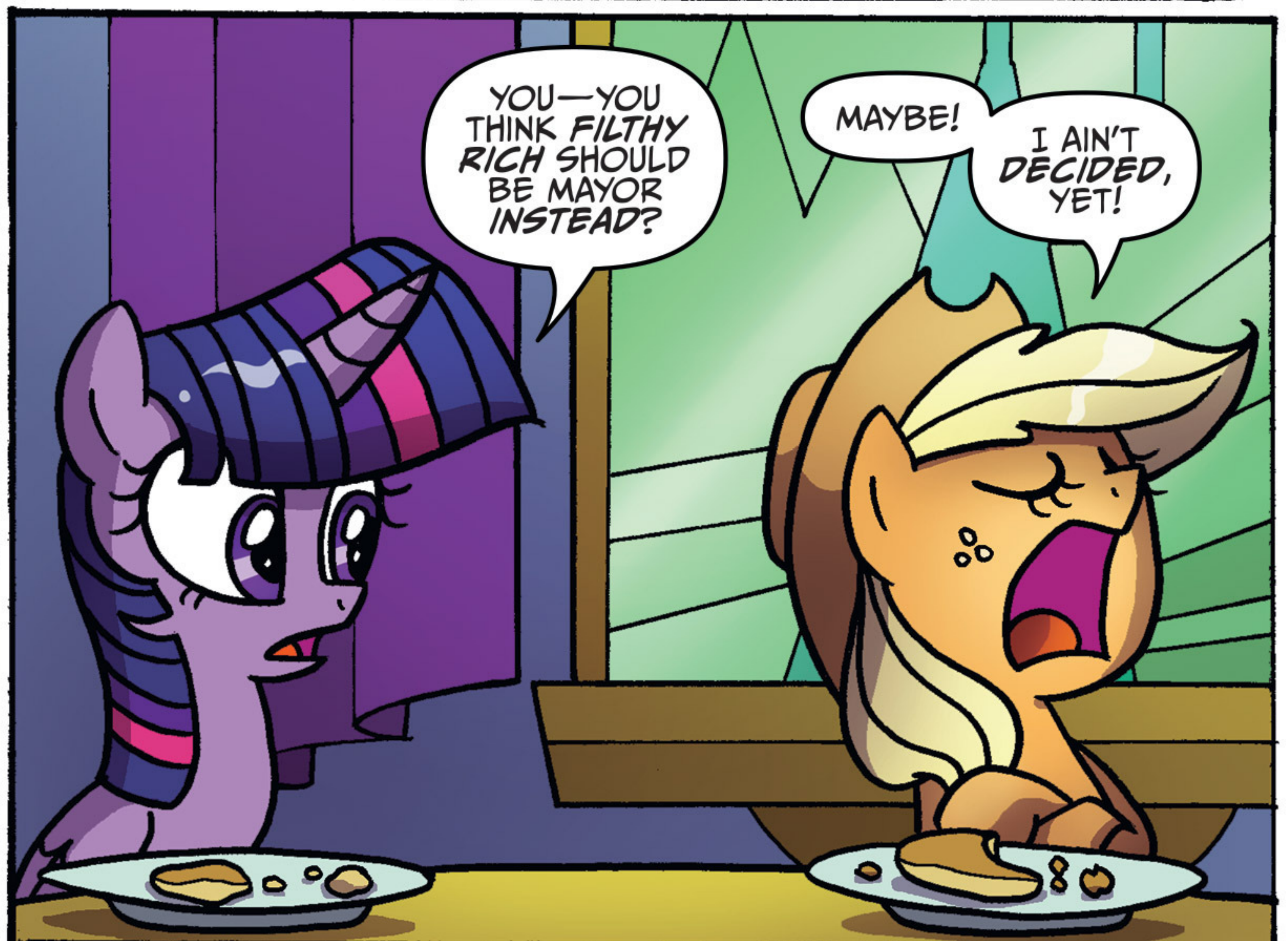
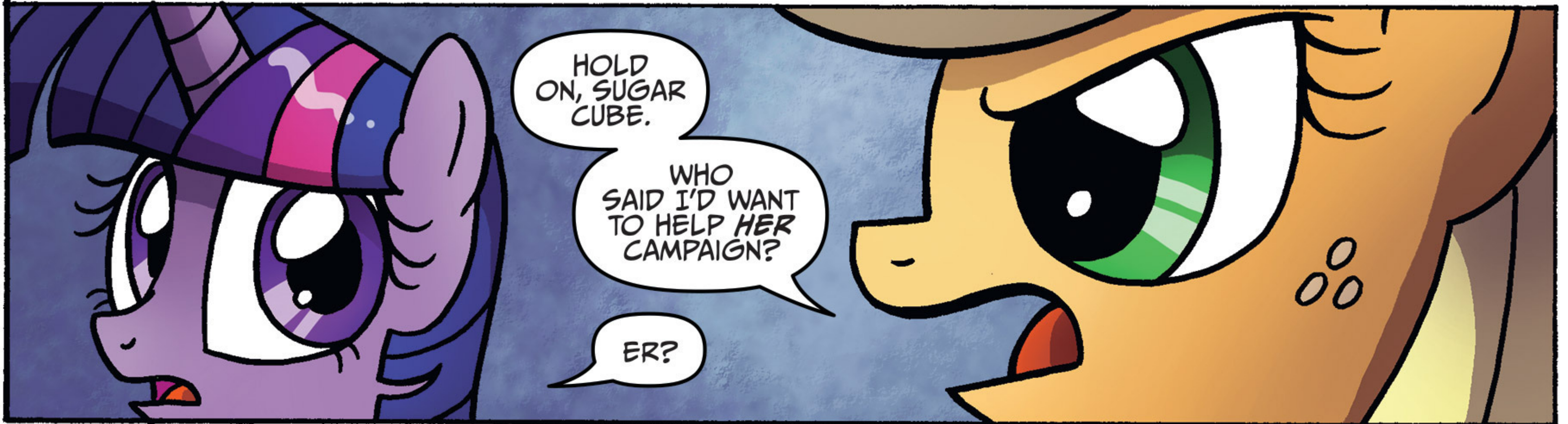


I, FILTHY RICH, AM RUNNING FOR MAYOR OF PONYVILLE!













RARITY, WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'LL VOTE FOR?



AHEM!  
WELL!  
THEY DO SAY THAT ONE SHOULD NEVER DISCUSS POLITICS WITH FRIENDS, BUT...  
...WELL, I'M LEANING TOWARDS FILTHY RICH, MYSELF!



REALLY?!  
WELL— YES! HE'S A BUSINESSPONY!  
I THINK HIS POLICIES FOR PONYVILLE WILL BE MORE BENEFICIAL TO SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS—  
—LIKE MYSELF!



I HEARD FILTHY RICH IS GONNA BUILD A HOOFBALL STADIUM IN TOWN, SO I'M DEFINITELY VOTING FOR HIM!

UM... MAYOR MARE ASKED ME TO HELP WITH THE NEW MIGRATION ROUTES, SO... I'LL PROBABLY SUPPORT HER...



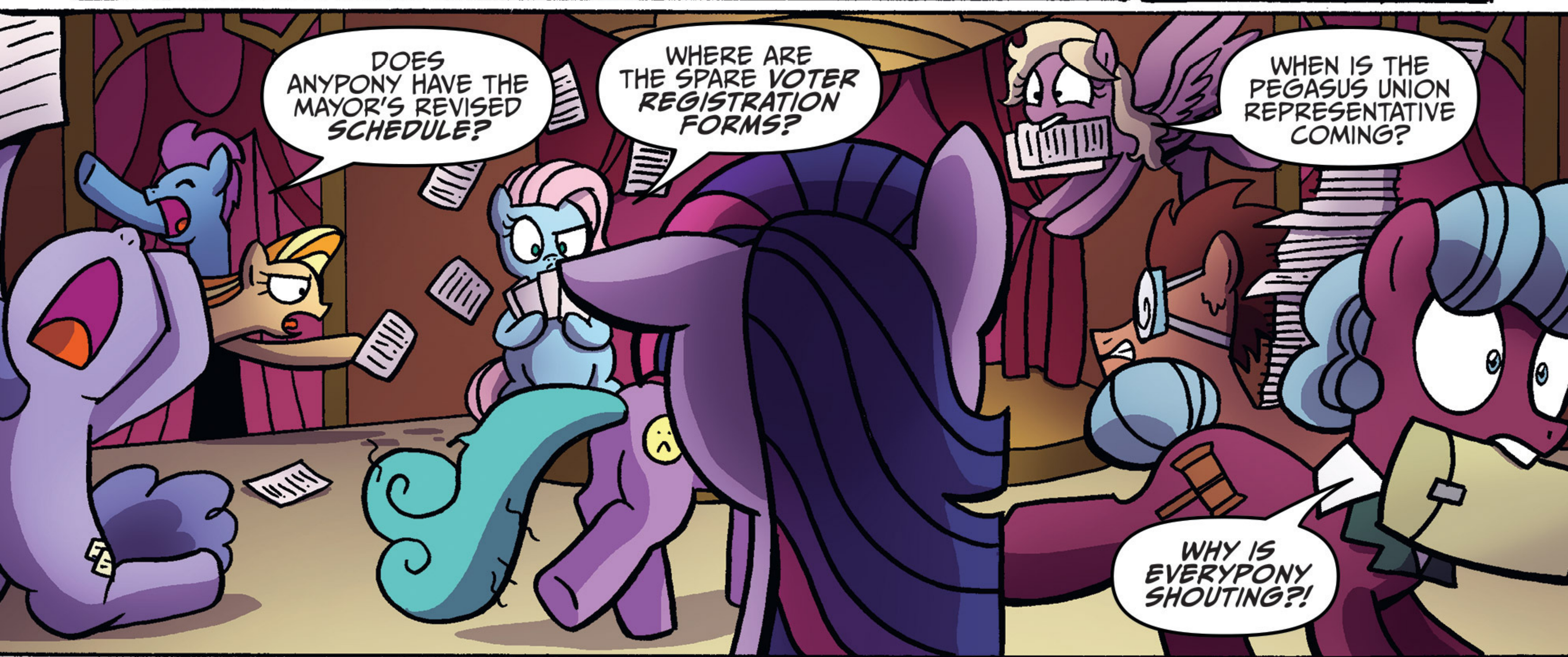
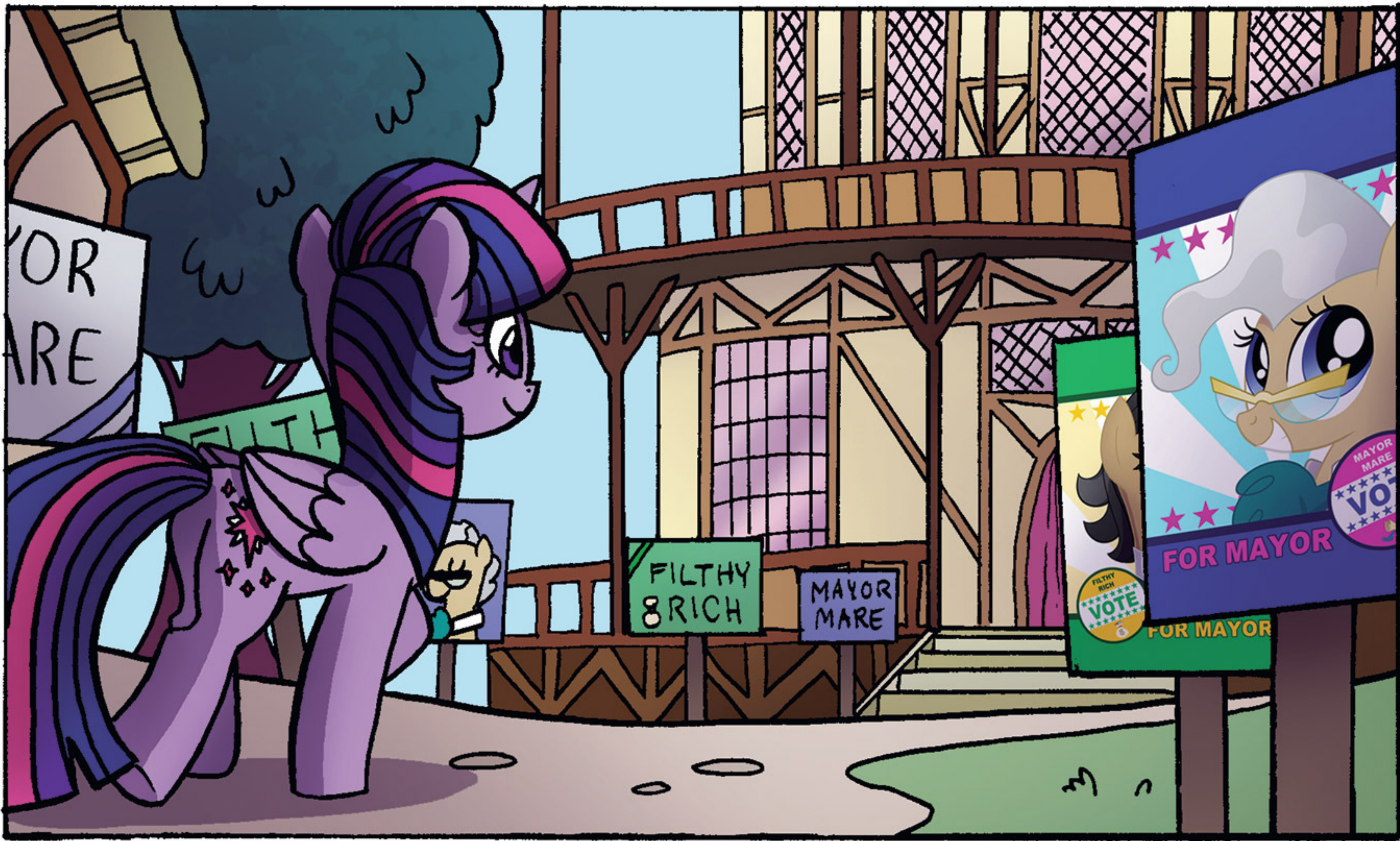
I'M VOTING FOR WHOEVER CAN PROMISE THE MOST WAFFLES!

SO—SO WE'RE ALL VOTING FOR DIFFERENT PONIES? AND FOR DIFFERENT REASONS?



WELL, SURE, BUT THAT DON'T MATTER!  
IT'LL ALL BE FINE, YOU'LL SEE!  
FRIENDS CAN DISAGREE AND STILL BE FRIENDS!









IT'S A PLEASURE TO SEE YOU, PRINCESS TWILIGHT!

AS YOU CAN SEE, WE'VE STARTED WORKING ON MY RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN!

ER... YES...

IT SEEMS TO BE A BIT... CHAOTIC.



OH, THERE'S QUITE A HUBBUB, TO BE SURE.

EVERYPONY IS SO EXCITED TO BE WORKING ON THE CAMPAIGN!

AFTER ALL, IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE HAD AN OPPONENT IN A LONG WHILE!



ARE YOU, ER, WORRIED? ABOUT THE ELECTION?

OH, I THINK IT'LL BE TOUGH, TO BE SURE.

FILTHY RICH IS A SAVVY BUSINESSPONY, AND I'M SURE HE'LL RUN A SMART CAMPAIGN.



BUT ULTIMATELY, I THINK THE VOTERS WILL CHOOSE THE PONY THAT'S RIGHT FOR PONYVILLE.

EVEN IF THAT PONY MAY NOT BE ME!

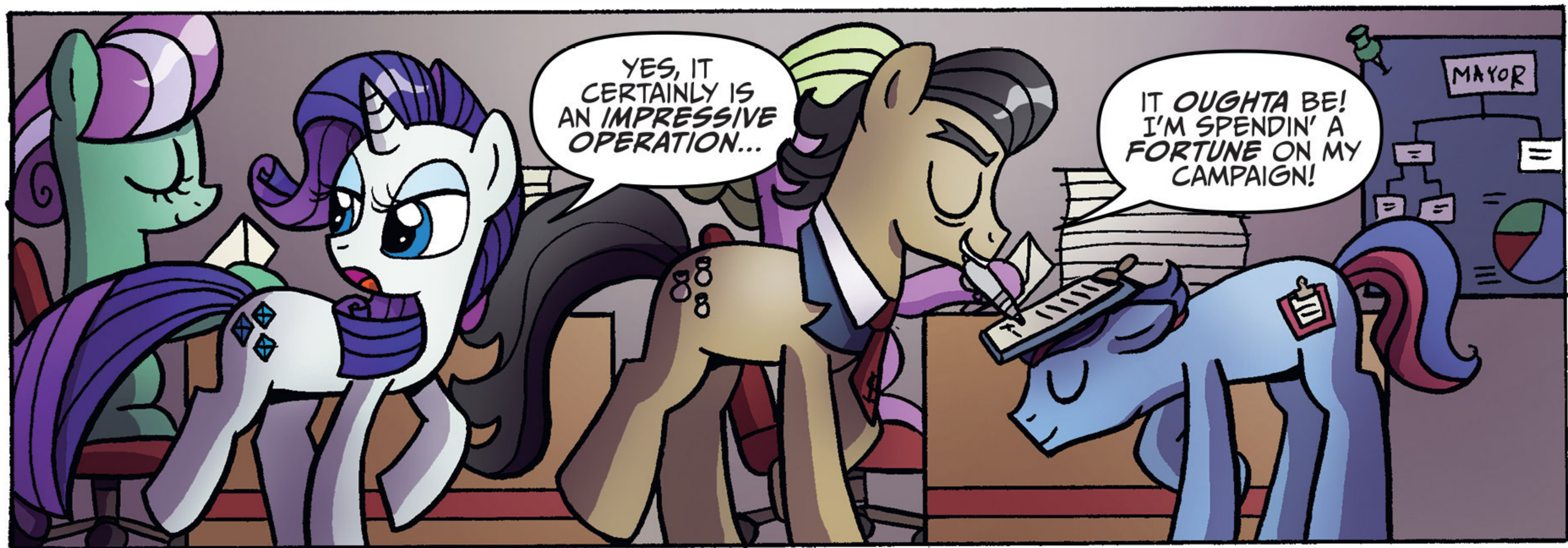
BUT LISTEN TO ME GO ON AND ON!

HOW CAN I HELP YOU, PRINCESS TWILIGHT?

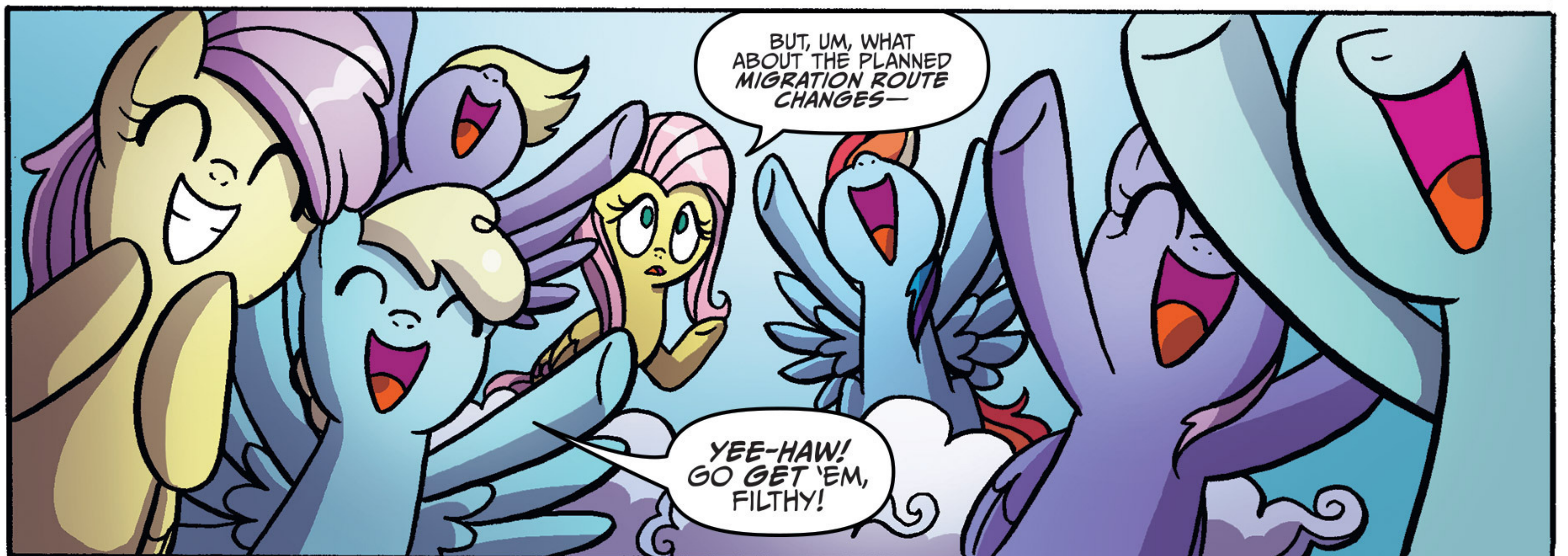
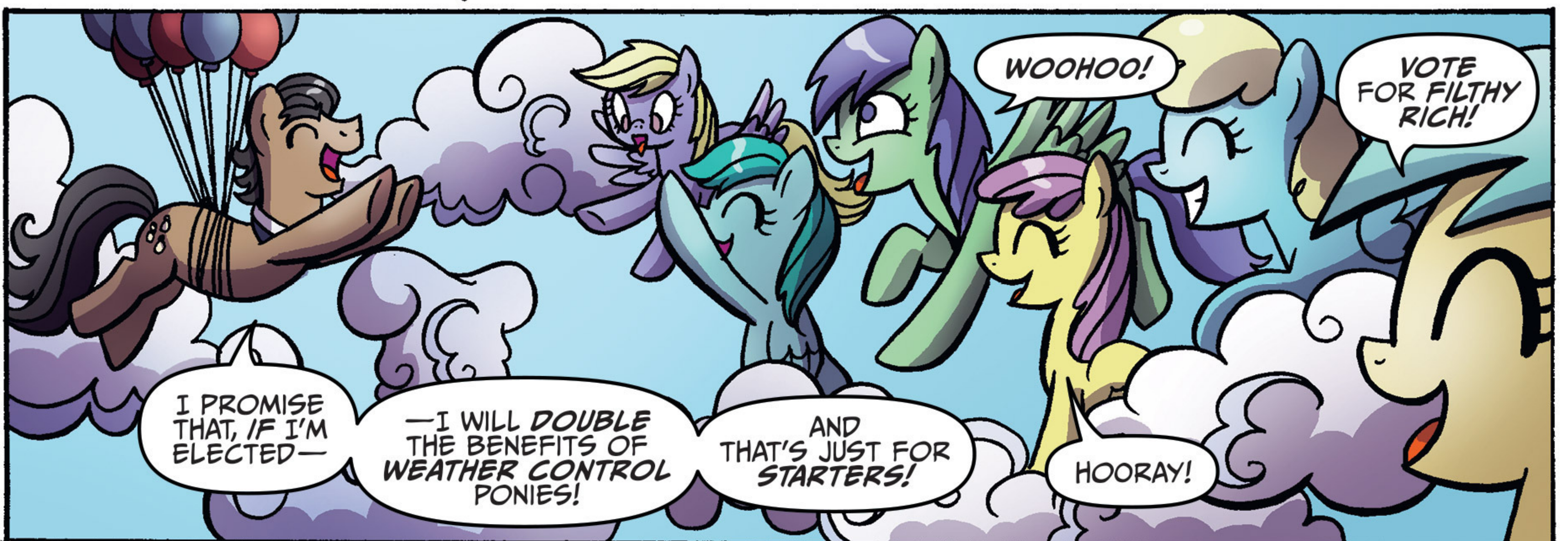
WELL, I'M INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING!

WONDERFUL! RIGHT THIS WAY!

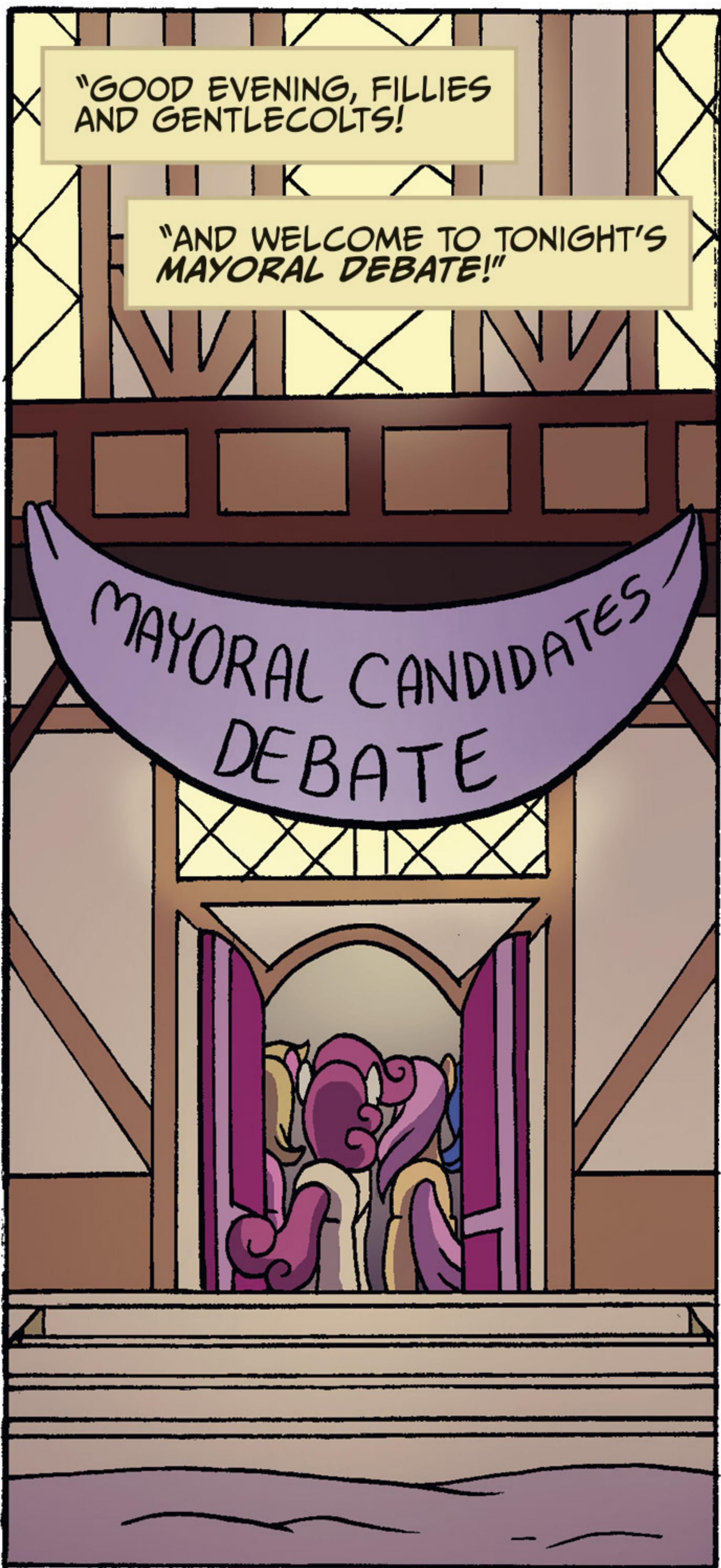






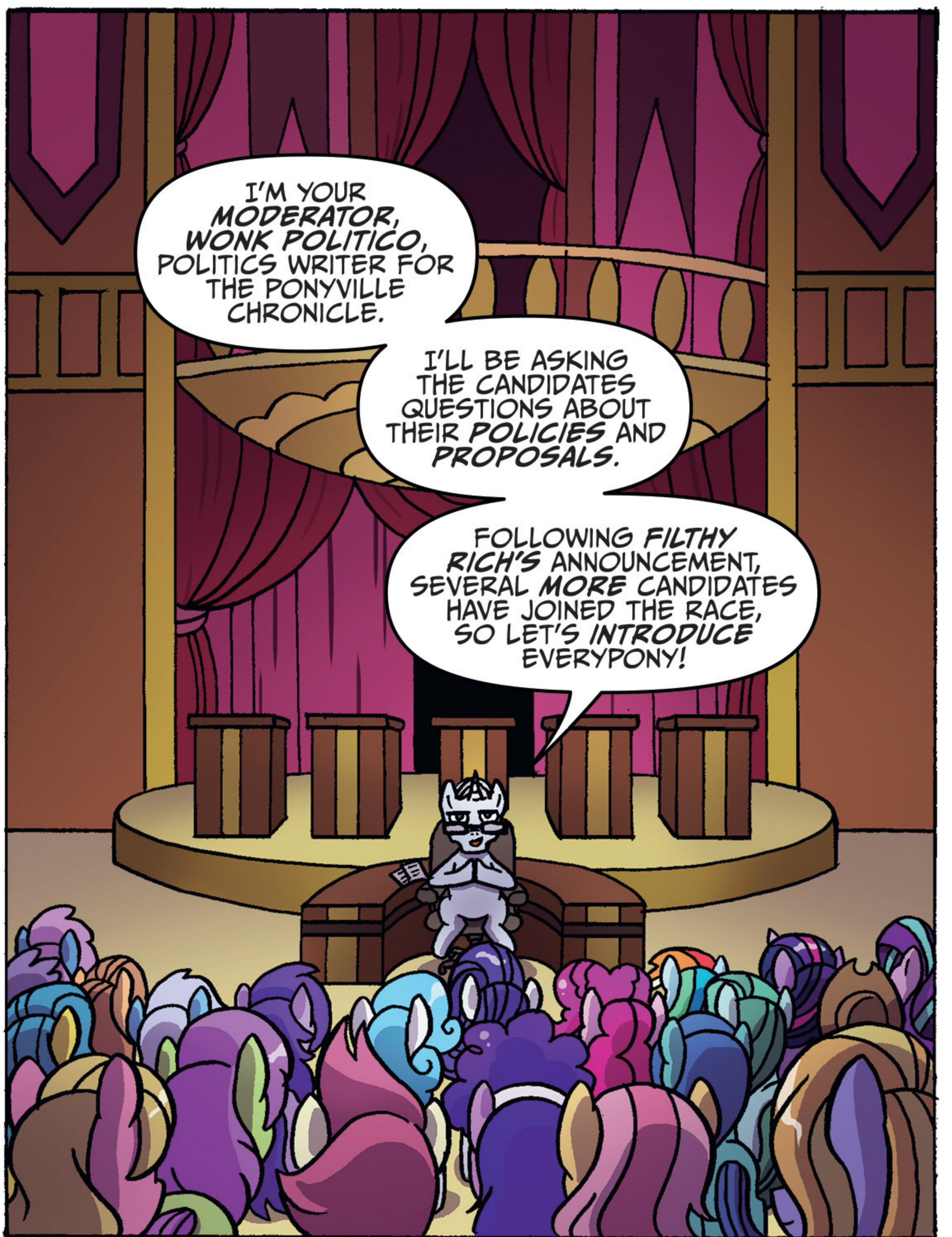






"GOOD EVENING, FILLIES AND GENTLECOLTS!"

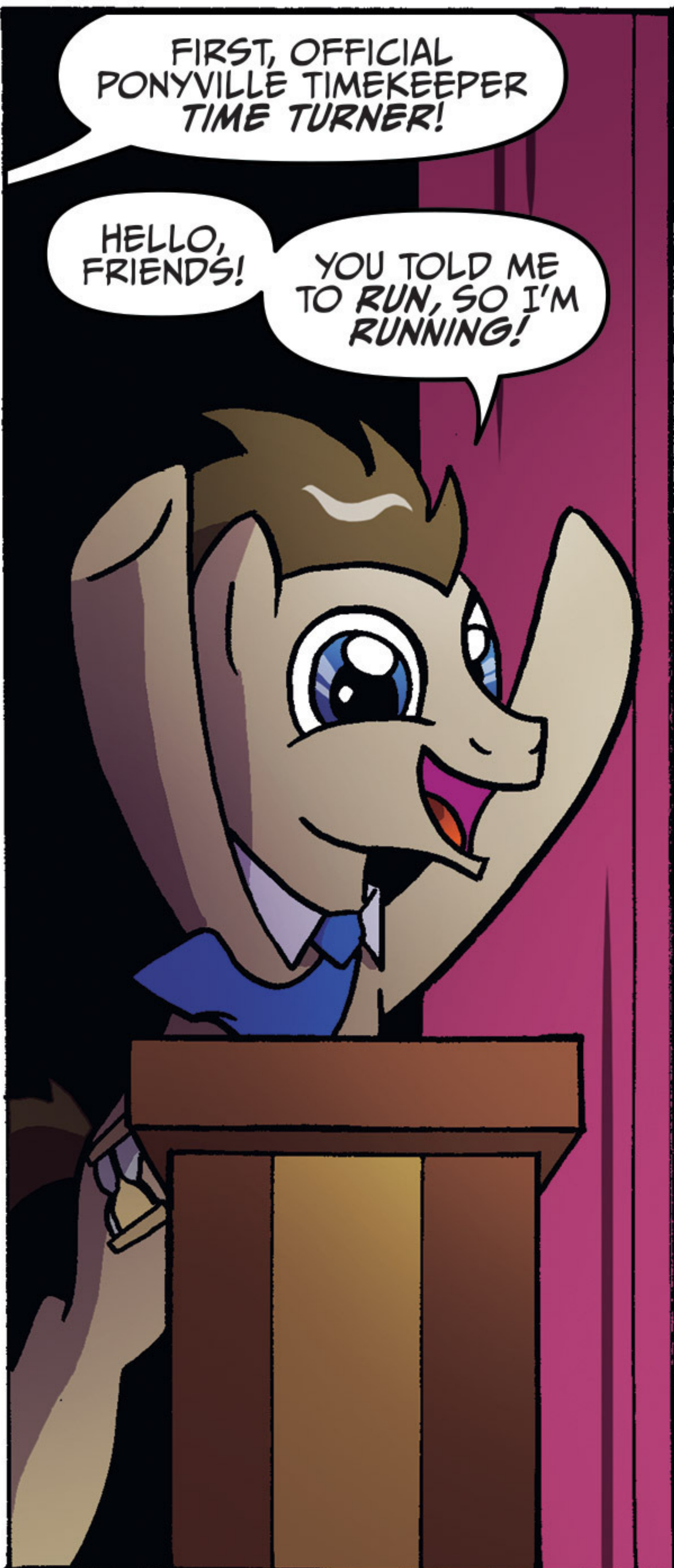
"AND WELCOME TO TONIGHT'S MAYORAL DEBATE!"



I'M YOUR MODERATOR, WONK POLITICO, POLITICS WRITER FOR THE PONYVILLE CHRONICLE.

I'LL BE ASKING THE CANDIDATES QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR POLICIES AND PROPOSALS.

FOLLOWING FILTHY RICH'S ANNOUNCEMENT, SEVERAL MORE CANDIDATES HAVE JOINED THE RACE, SO LET'S INTRODUCE EVERYPONY!



FIRST, OFFICIAL PONYVILLE TIMEKEEPER TIME TURNER!

HELLO, FRIENDS!

YOU TOLD ME TO RUN, SO I'M RUNNING!



NEXT, SCHOOLTEACHER CHEERILEE!

HI, EVERYPONY!

YEAH! YOU CAN DO IT, MISS CHEERILEE!



LYRA HEARTSTRINGS, A MUSICIAN AND—

—LET'S SEE HERE—

—A "FRIENDSHIP ENTHUSIAST"!

THIS IS FOR YOU, BON BON!





NEXT, CURRENT MAYOR OF PONYVILLE—

—MAYOR MARE!

GOOD EVENING, EVERYPONY!



LASTLY, LOCAL BUSINESSPONY AND ENTREPRENEUR FILTHY RICH!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



FIRST QUESTION, CANDIDATES:

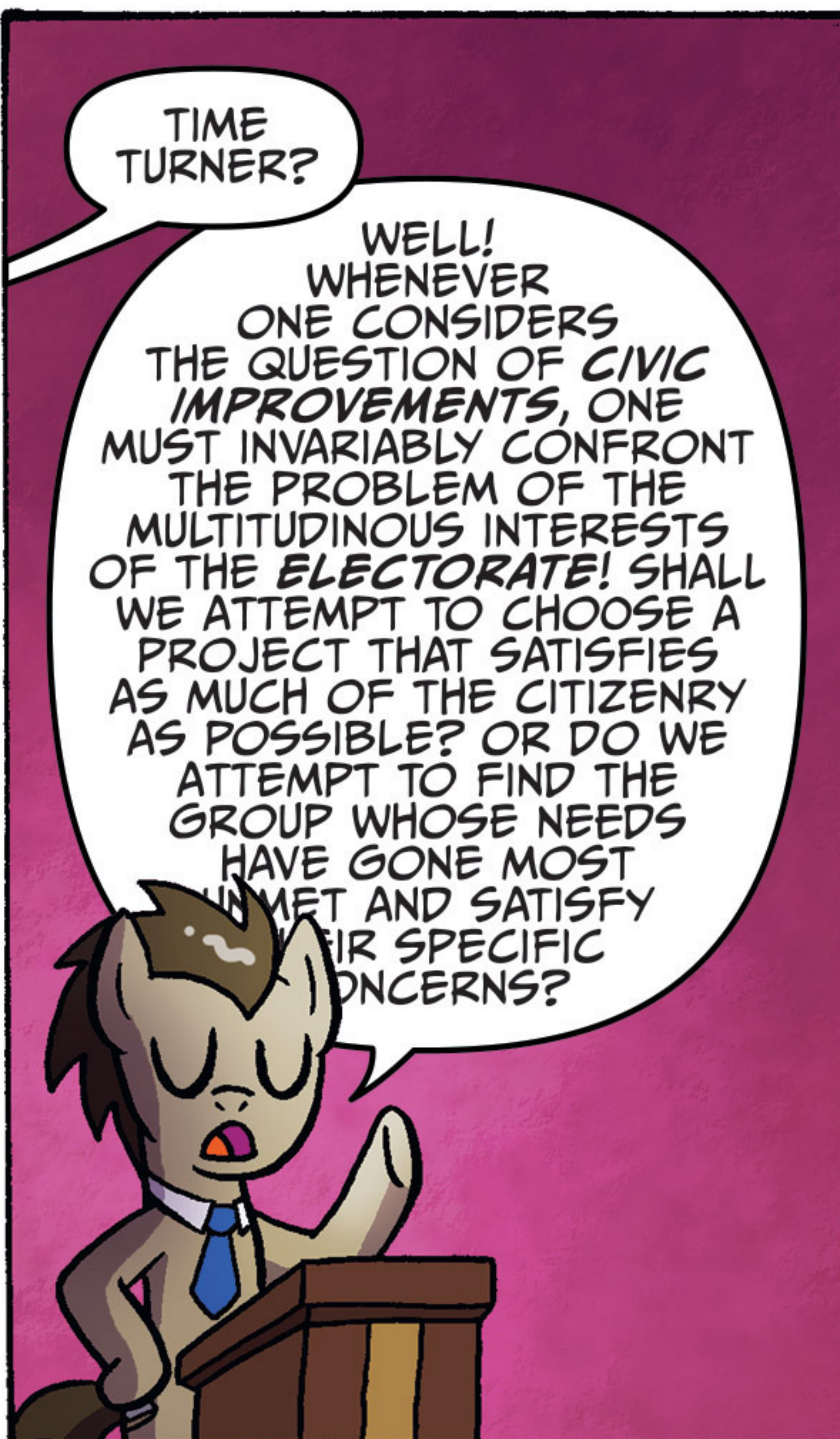
HOW WOULD YOU IMPROVE THE LIVES OF PONYVILLE'S CITIZENS?



CHEERILEE, LET'S BEGIN WITH YOU.

I'D LIKE TO TRIPLE OUR EDUCATION BUDGET!

OF COURSE, WE'LL NEED TO TRIPLE OUR TAXES TO PAY FOR IT, BUT OUR SCHOOLS ARE WORTH IT!



TIME TURNER?

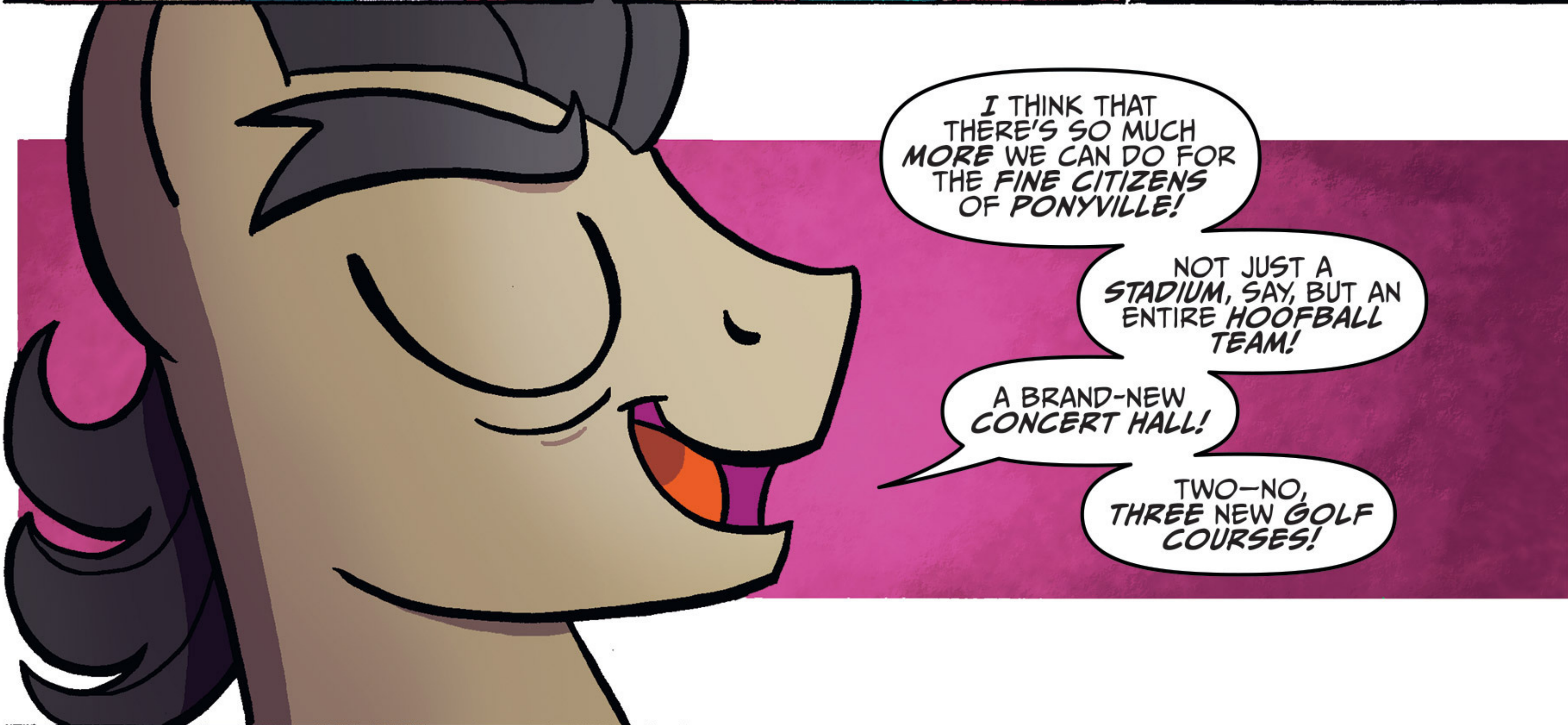
WELL! WHENEVER ONE CONSIDERS THE QUESTION OF CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS, ONE MUST INVARIABLY CONFRONT THE PROBLEM OF THE MULTITUDINOUS INTERESTS OF THE ELECTORATE! SHALL WE ATTEMPT TO CHOOSE A PROJECT THAT SATISFIES AS MUCH OF THE CITIZENRY AS POSSIBLE? OR DO WE ATTEMPT TO FIND THE GROUP WHOSE NEEDS HAVE GONE MOST UNMET AND SATISFY THEIR SPECIFIC CONCERNS?



MISS HEARTSTRINGS?

MORE BENCHES.









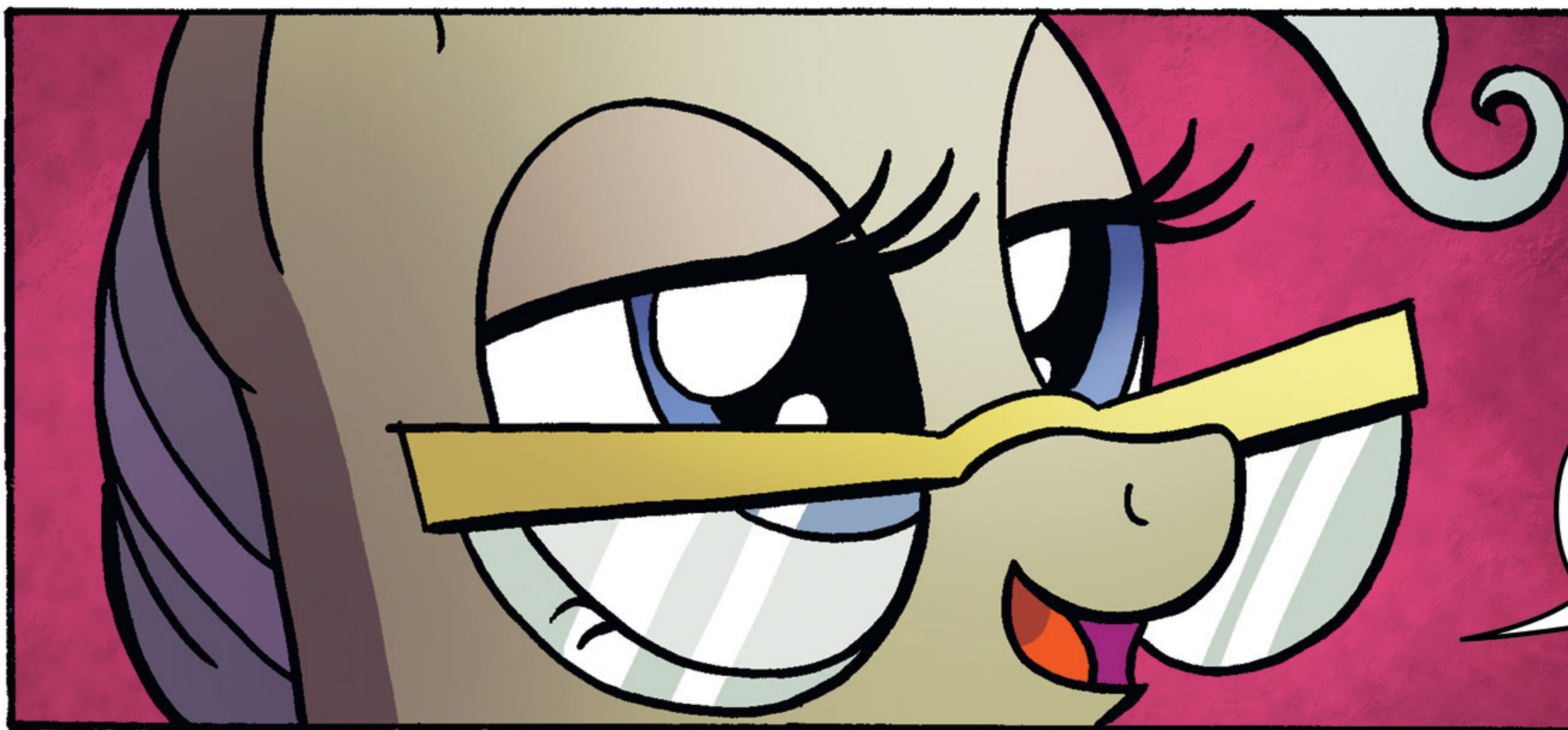
SO WHAT'S ON THE SCHEDULE TODAY?



WELL, THERE'S THE SPEECH AT THE OLD PONIES' HOME...

...THEN TWO DIFFERENT PANCAKE BREAKFASTS WITH VOTERS...

...AN APPEARANCE WITH SAPPHIRE SHORES, A POLICY MEETING AT ONE...



\*SIGH\*

I MUST SAY, ALL THIS ELECTION NONSENSE IS WEARING ME OUT, TWILIGHT.

I'D LIKE TO FOCUS ON RUNNING PONYVILLE! MAKING SURE EVERYPONY IS HAPPY AND HEALTHY!



INSTEAD, I HAVE TO SPEND ALL MY TIME SHAKING HOOVES AND KISSING BABIES.

ACTUALLY, ACCORDING TO OUR STATISTICS, YOU'VE RUN OUT OF BABIES TO KISS.

IT'S VERY TIRING.



WELL, AFTER THE ELECTION, THIS WILL ALL BE OVER!

...ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.

THAT'S TRUE!

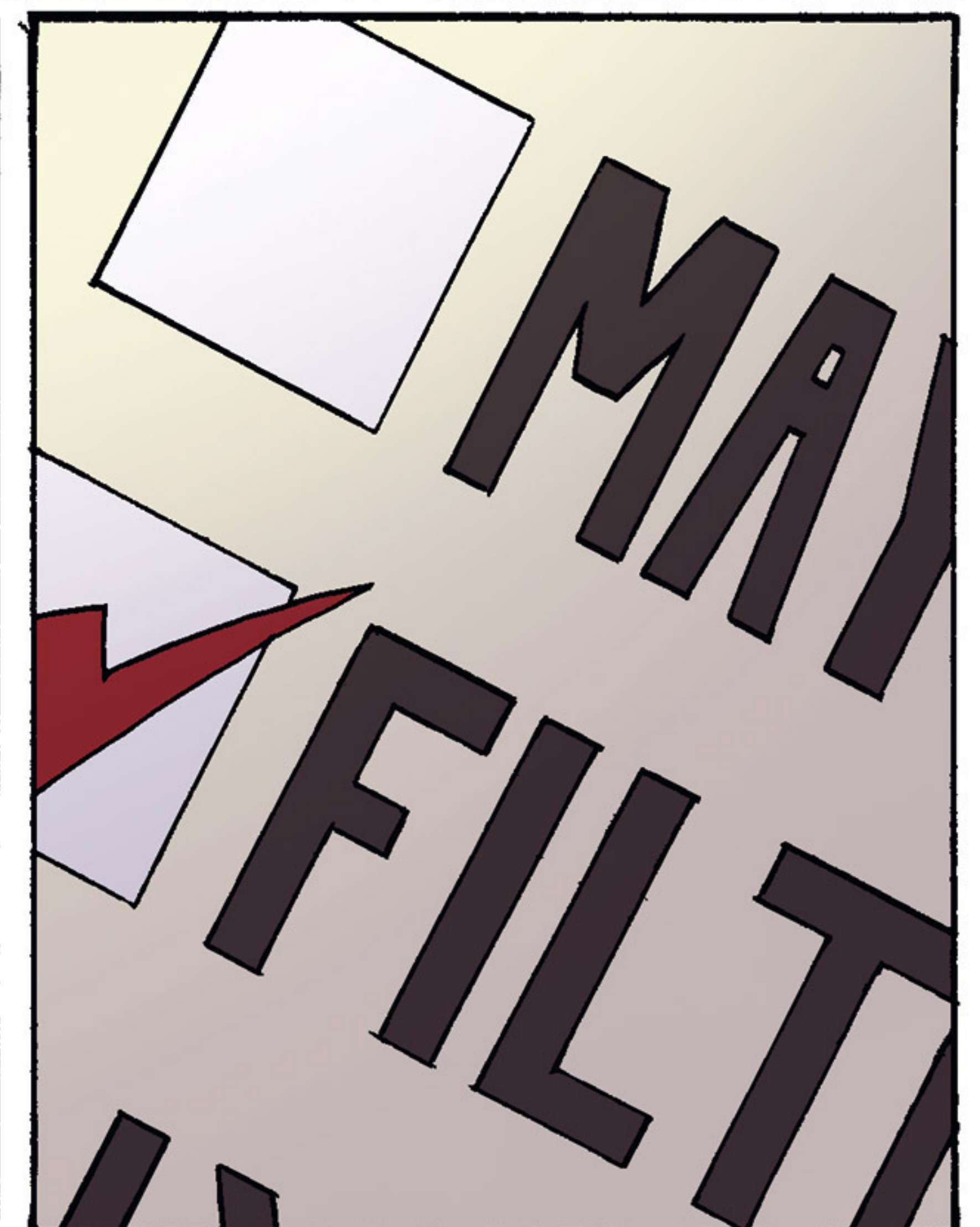
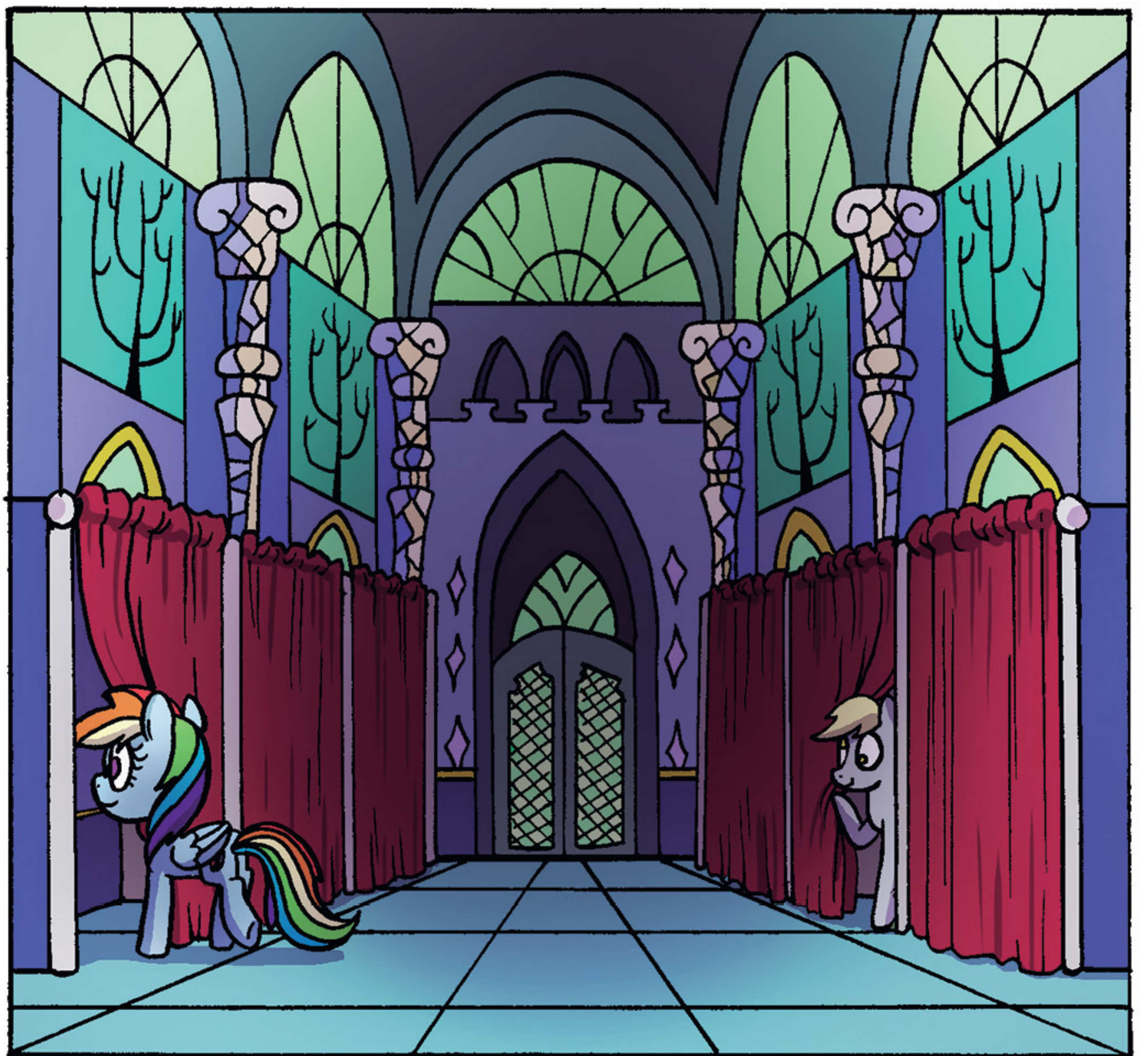
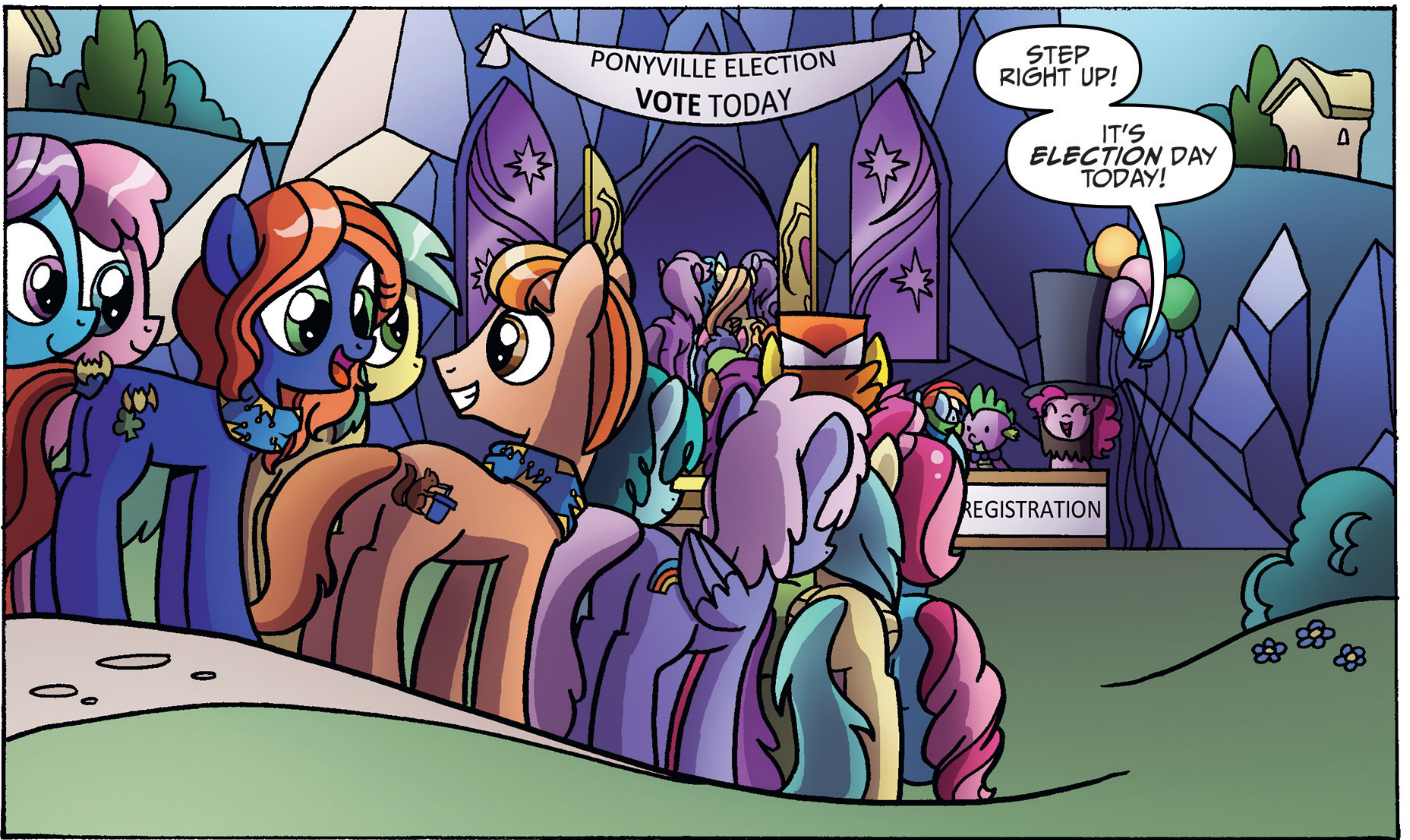
THE RACE CAN'T LAST FOREVER!



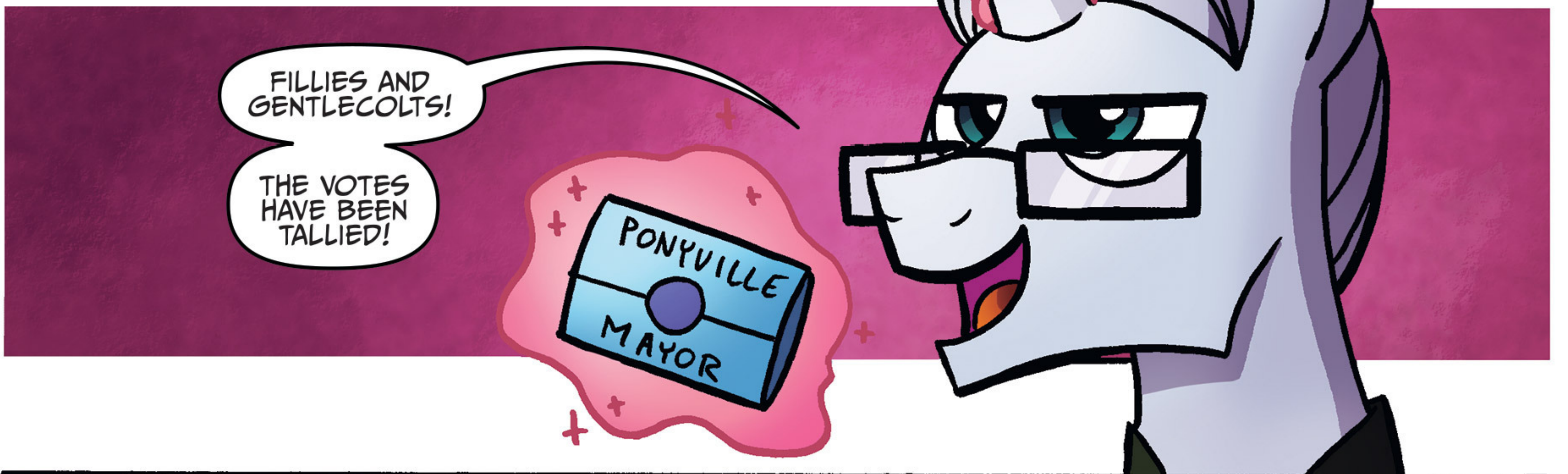
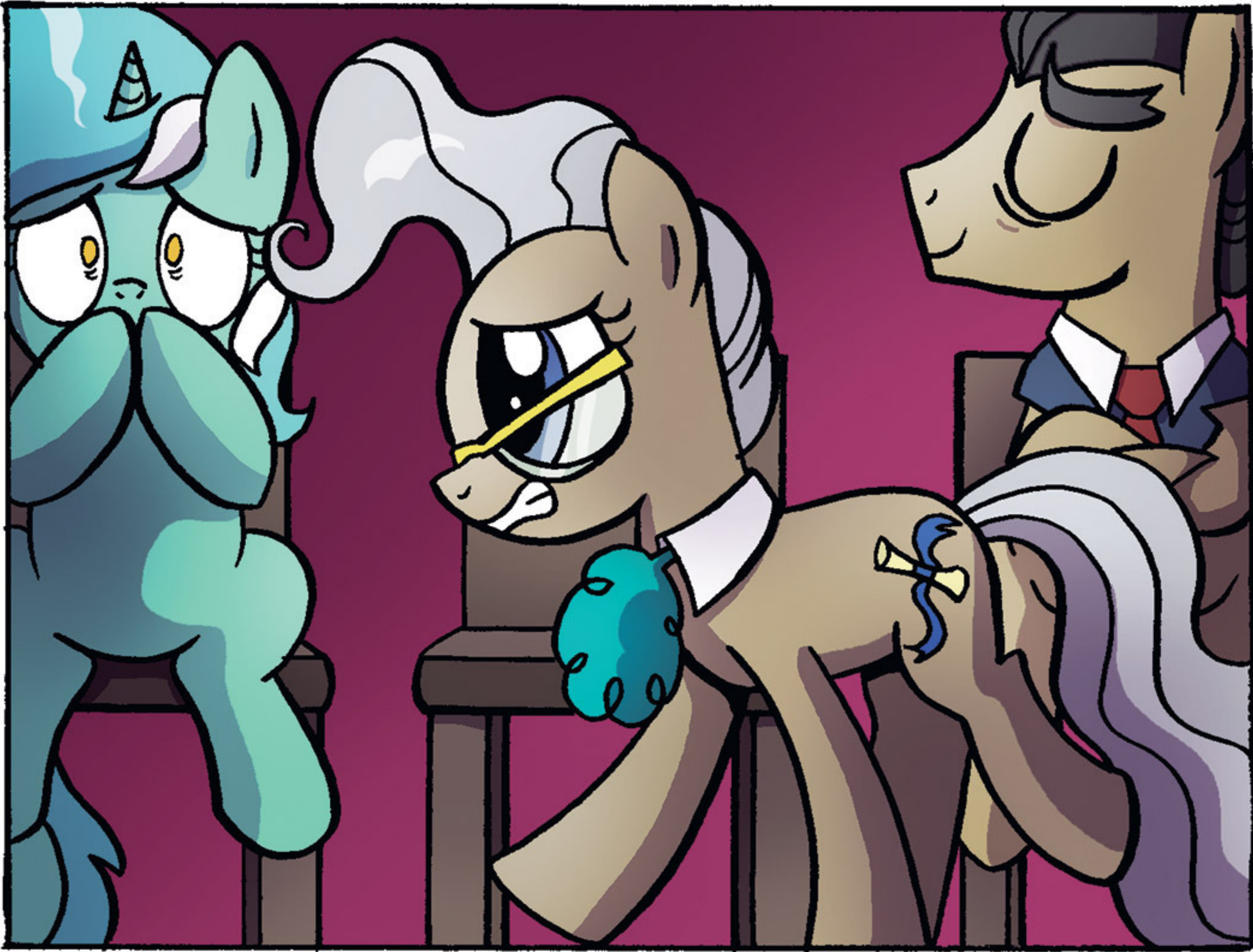
SO LET'S DO OUR BEST UNTIL THE END, SHALL WE?

ABSOLUTELY!













...FILTHY RICH!



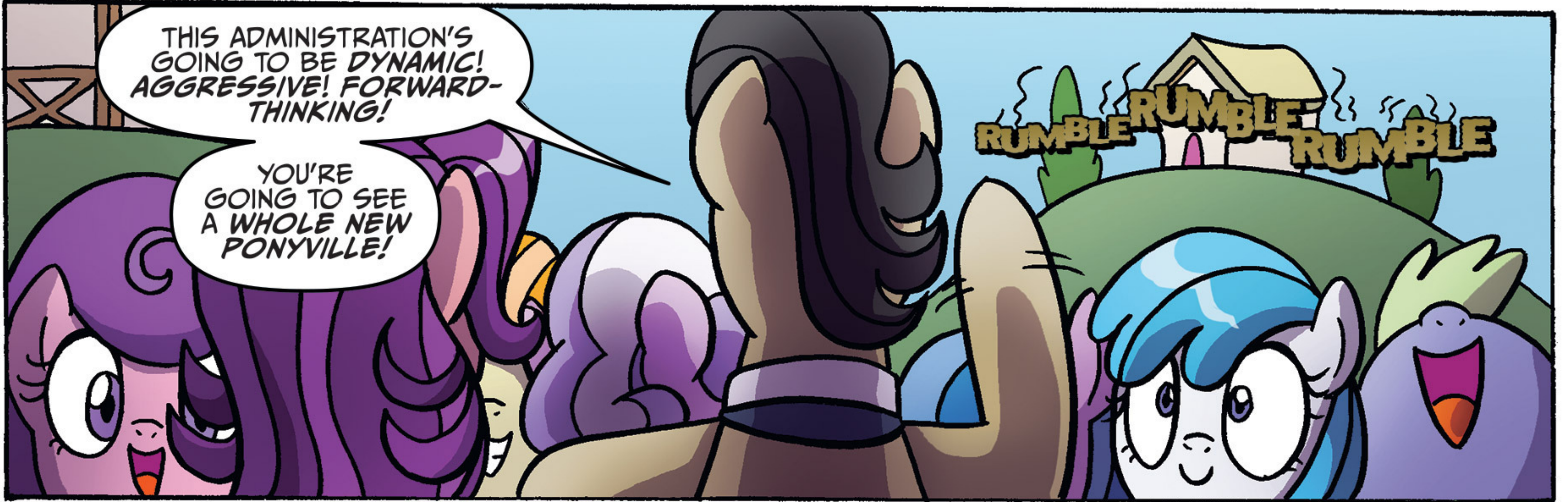
THANK YOU!  
THANK YOU,  
EVERYPONY!

IT'S AN  
HONOR TO  
SERVE!



THERE'S GONNA  
BE A WHOLE LOTTA  
CHANGES AROUND  
PONYVILLE!

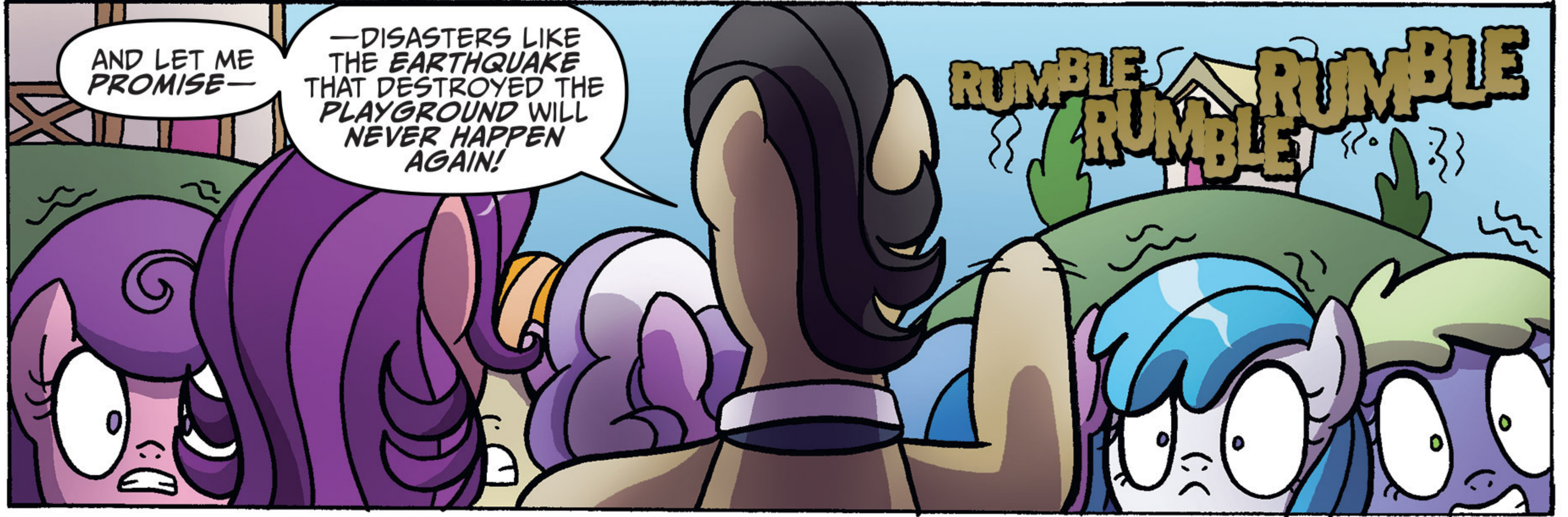
I WANT TO MAKE  
THIS TOWN **BIGGER**  
AND **BETTER** THAN  
EVER!



THIS ADMINISTRATION'S  
GOING TO BE DYNAMIC!  
AGGRESSIVE! FORWARD-  
THINKING!

YOU'RE  
GOING TO SEE  
A WHOLE NEW  
PONYVILLE!

RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE

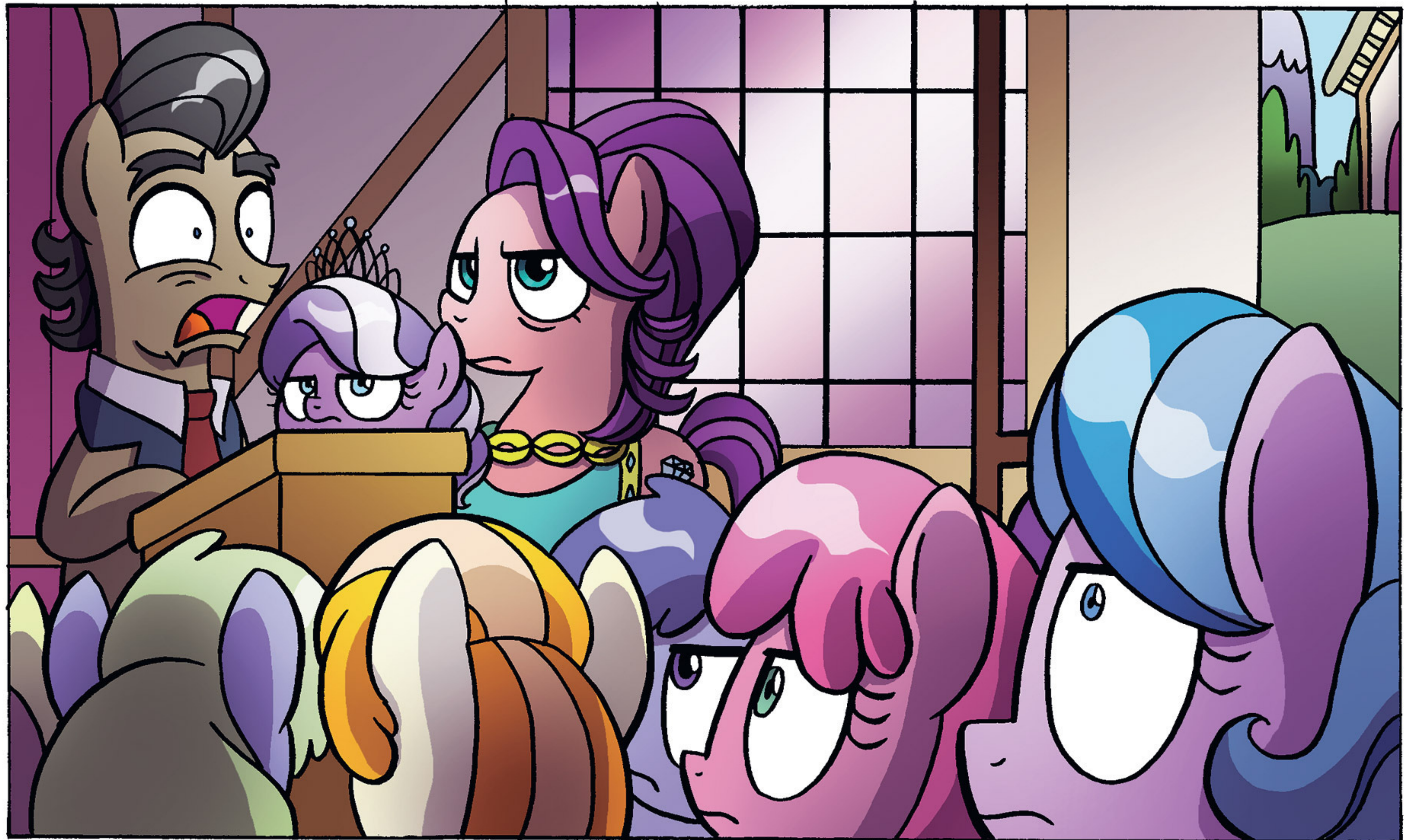
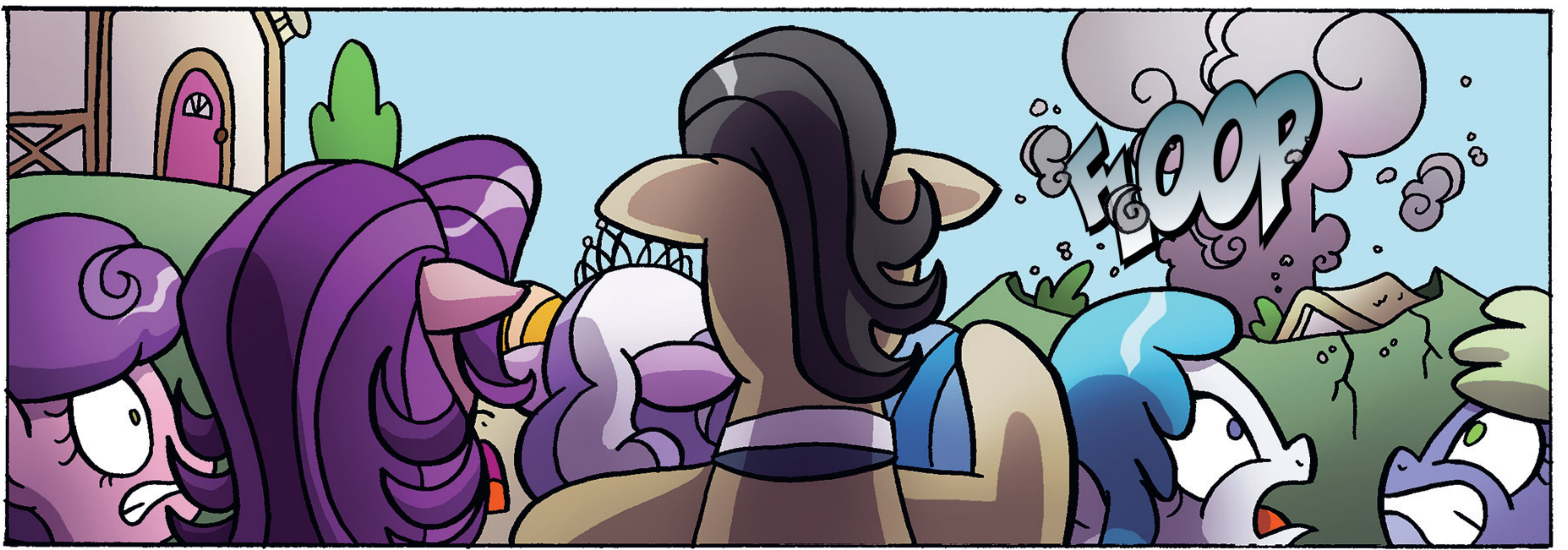


AND LET ME  
PROMISE—

—DISASTERS LIKE  
THE EARTHQUAKE  
THAT DESTROYED THE  
PLAYGROUND WILL  
NEVER HAPPEN  
AGAIN!

RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE





**TO BE CONTINUED...**



# FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK

Ted Adams here. I'm going to be your monthly guide through the IDW/Top Shelf checklist, pointing out our big hits and bringing your attention to some gems that you might otherwise miss.

September is all about **Revolution** at IDW and I've asked our Managing Editor, **David Hedgecock** to give us the scoop.

# REVOLUTION

"Greetings IDW Faithful! A hearty thank you to Ted for giving me the honor of discussing with all of you one of IDW Publishing's most ambitious publishing ventures in the company's history—**Revolution!**

Beginning in September, IDW will launch the bi-weekly 5-issue event series titled **Revolution**. The series will unite some of IDW's most popular titles into a single, unified universe of epic proportions! Imagine some of your favorite characters from **G.I. Joe**, **Transformers**, **Rom**, **Micronauts**, and, **M.A.S.K.** all in one book for the first time ever. It's the stuff comic dreams are made of!

To make this dream come true, IDW has assembled some of the best creators in the business to spin a tale of interconnected awesome that will have repercussions within the Hasbro corner of comics for years to come. Featuring the writing of **John Barber** (*Transformers*) & **Cullen Bunn** (*Micronauts*) and art from the amazing pen of **Fico Ossio** (*Micronauts*), **Revolution** will tie together years of groundwork laying stories from a host of your favorite IDW comics to form something genuinely fresh and new. (New?! What a concept!)

But an event of this size can't possibly be contained in just one mini-series. Oh no! So, we've reached out to some of your favorite storytellers to help us dive even deeper into this new and amazing world. That's right, alongside **Revolution #1 & 2** in September, look for



one-shot tie-ins of **M.A.S.K.**, **Micronauts**, and **Rom** as well. Each of these stand-alone stories will help flesh out this new shared universe in bold and exciting ways and give fans new and old even more reasons to jump on board.

Still can't get enough? Never fear! September is just the beginning of this new direction. Look for even more exciting news and exciting titles coming your way throughout the rest of 2016 and beyond! IDW Publishing has had the privilege of making comics for our fans for over 15 years now and the excitement surrounding this comic is higher than anything we've seen. We can't wait to share that excitement with all of you and, together, continue to live the comic dream!"

Thanks, David! You and the entire editorial and creative teams have done an amazing job.

We also have **Star Trek: Waypoint** launching this month, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Star Trek. Every issue will feature short stories from across the Trek universe. Issue #1 has a **Next Generation** story by **Donny Cates** and **Mack Chater** and an Original Series story by **Sandra Lanz**.



Hidden gems this month include **Richard Matheson: Master of Terror** which collects under one cover our adaptations of *I Am Legend*, *Hell House*, *Duel*, and, one I tackled myself, *The Shrinking Man*. **Samurai Jack: Tales of the Wandering Warrior** has the complete 20 issue run of the comic series written by **Jim Zub**. **Tom Tomorrow's Crazy is the New Normal** is a new 128-page collection of the Pulitzer Prize finalist's cartoons, focusing on the 2016 U.S. Presidential race.

See you in 30. I can't wait to tell you about our latest creator-owned comic, **The Electric Sublime...**

