

The Town of Bethel Town Board Special Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Daniel Sturm at 7:30 pm at the Dr. Duggan Community Center Meeting Room.

Council members present: Lillian Hendrickson  
Vicky Simpson  
Bernard Cohen

Absent: Denise Frangipane

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Presentation: Allan Scott – Industrial Dev. Agency Update**

Mrs. Jennifer Mall, Government Affairs & Business Development. Mr. Scott introduced Mrs. Mall explained the “Food Hub” and her back round.

**Public Hearing: 7:45 p.m. Unsafe Structures at 9 Foster Road (Zrgda)**

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to open the public hearing for the unsafe structure located at 9 Foster Road (a/k/a SBL #40-1-33), seconded by Bernie Cohen, put to vote and carried 4-0. Town Clerk read legal notice publicizing the hearing. Town Clerk noted the building was also posted with legal notice and the Certified Letter to the property owner was unclaimed and returned.

There were no comments.

Motion by Bernie Cohen to close Public Hearing, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 4-0.

Mr. Sturm stated that upon advice of Council to hold over. Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to table until next Town Board meeting, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 4-0.

**Update on property violation at 20 Keller Avenue, Smallwood (#48-1-3)**

Mr. Sturm read memo from Building Department. Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to receive and file, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 4-0. Property owner was in today and asked for more time. The building department is recommending an engineer report for the condition of this structure. Mr. Sturm is recommending to authorize an engineering report.

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to authorize engineer to prepare report for the structure located at SBL #48-1-3, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 4-0.

**Update on property violation at 21 Taconic Trail, Smallwood (#46-16-3)**

Mr. Sturm read memo from Building Department. Motion by Bernie Cohen to receive and file, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 4-0. Mr. Sturm noted that at the last meeting the Town Board authorized quotes for clean-up; quotes should be in this week for the solid waste removal. Step 2 is the engineer report.

Motion by Lillian Hendrickson to authorize engineer to prepare report for the unsafe structure located at SBL #46-16-3, seconded by Vicky Simpson, put to vote and carried 4-0.

**Town Board Comment**

Mrs. Hendrickson announced that the sewer line smoke testing is done for this year. Septage receiving facility almost finished. Bethel Lions will be holding a money toss at Shop Rite parking lot in Monticello this weekend.

Mr. Cohen - Highway Department working very hard this week. Lake Shore Drive in Smallwood is complete.

**Public Comment**

Jennifer Teitelbaum asked if there could be a Business District sign installed at the corner of Route 17B and Route 55 East to drive some traffic into Kauneonga Lake. Mrs. Teitelbaum also asked why there is not a Constable at this intersection to direct traffic. Mrs. Simpson replied that the state law says constables can't direct traffic on state highways.

Michael Schwartz stated that the parking is ambiguous by Fat Lady, needs striping or only compact cars.

Steve Rubin: parking not intuitive, it's a trap. Mr. Rubin has been approached by several people to bring a lawsuit against Town, don't want to do that.

Marsha Salton: asked who has control over signs, striping and parking, etc. Mr. Sturm replied the County. Mrs. Salton - so it's up to the County? Mr. Sturm replied yes.

Susan Brown-Otto: drove over Jaketown bridge today at Gabriel Road. Mr. Sturm stated more work needs to be done, guardrails and parking to make safe and complete.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Vicky Simpson to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m., seconded by Bernie Cohen, put to vote and carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rita J. Sheehan, Town Clerk