

July 1, 2014

Supervisor Wilcox called a Public Hearing regarding the Joyce Hyde property at 992 Route 79 in the Town of Richford to order at 6:55 pm. Three townspeople were in attendance

Per the Code Enforcement Officer, the property's owner is in clear violation of section 301.3 (Vacant Structures and Land code) of New York State Property Maintenance Code thereby making it an unsafe situation.

The third and final public hearing was held to review the report from Daryl Cross of Cross Excavation & Auger on the condemned property. The Cross Excavation & Auger quote for demolition of the property did not include any asbestos removal. Samples of the siding came back positive for asbestos. This requires that the job of removal be done by a certified asbestos remediation company. Quotes were obtained from at least two certified asbestos remediation companies but the contractor has yet to recommend a remediation company to the Town Board.

It was noted that the taxes for 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 for the Hyde property have not been paid.

Concern was raised that once the garage is cleaned out and demolition begins there will be an issue with rodents for those with adjoining properties.

Further action for the town to take possession of the property must be made by the Town's attorney and the New York State Supreme Court.

If the town does take possession/ownership of the property it will be responsible for the costs of the asbestos removal and demolition of the buildings.

Supervisor Wilcox asked for any further questions or comments and receiving none he adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:35 pm.

Tina Thurston
Deputy Town Clerk