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The ***Zoning Board of Appeals*** of the Town of Schaghticoke met at the Town Hall, 290 Northline Drive, Melrose NY 12121 on Thursday, April 6, 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING

There were none.

REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Ed McDonough opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m. with roll call.

Present:

Ed McDonough, Chairman
Rich Geddis
Lettie Saheim
Jason Shover

Absent:

Kristin Griswold

Elizabeth Hale, Clerk, was present. Kristin Pratt, Deputy Town Attorney, was absent.

As there wasn't a quorum of members present at the meeting, the Board was unable to consider or approve the minutes of the March 3, 2023 meeting. The minutes will be reviewed by the Board at the May meeting. There was no business at hand.

Copies of correspondence from Kristin Pratt, Deputy Town Attorney, addressed to Mr. Todd Papielion of Al's Towing, located in a Hamlet District on 751 NYS Route 40, Tax Map #51.3-1-6, were distributed to members of the Board. The letter required Mr. Papielion to cease and desist the operation of a junkyard at his business, known as Al's Towing. At the February 2, 2023 public hearing the Zoning Board determined that Mr. Papielion's business operation, known as Al's Towing, was definitively a junkyard, as classified within the Zoning Law. The Zoning Law does not permit the operation of a junkyard in a Hamlet District. Following the determination, Mr. Papielion appeared to continue the operation of his business at 751 NYS Route 40 in Melrose. Chairman McDonough stated that further legal action may be required with regard to this matter.

Rich Geddis stated that he discovered an accumulation of scrap/junk at 10 Riley Road. In 2019 the Court issued a temporary restraining order preventing the landowners from importing any additional scrap/junk items and from operating a junkyard at the property. The court ordered that the scrap/junk items be removed from the property and that use of the property as a scrap/junkyard to be curtailed permanently. Mr. Geddis added that there are scrap/junk items surrounding the trailer across the street from 10 Riley Road. Chairman McDonough stated that he will travel to the locations mentioned and contact Deputy Attorney Kristin Pratt with regard to his findings.

Ed McDonough made a motion to adjourn at 7:12 p.m. Rich Geddis seconded.

Ayes: McDonough, Geddis, Saheim, Shover

Nays: None

Abbreviations

HD- Hamlet District

NYS - New York State

Respectfully submitted,

date:

Elizabeth Hale, Clerk

Zoning Board of Appeals, Town of Schaghticoke