

Group Elects In McKownville

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Tugh Prytherch of Glenwood Street was elected president of the McKownville Improvement Assaociation at the organization's annual meeting last night. *Vice Pres*

Hugh Prytherch of Glenwood Street was elected president. Mrs. Ralph Gold of Western Avenue, secretary; and Thomas F. Keenan, treasurer. The full slate was unanimously elected on a voice vote. There were 40 persons present.

Mr. Prytherch succeeds himself as president, having been named the group's executive six months ago to fill an unexpired term. It has been under his leadership that the association has acquired some renown as an unofficial "lobby" for the hamlet—first with the half-serious threat to secede from the town if zoning requirements for high-rise apartment buildings were relaxed (they were) and more recently as a voice of conservation regarding extensions to the McKownville Water District.

In a far-ranging discussion of general town affairs with specific application to McKownville, various association members mildly castigated the town board for its approval of relaxed high-rise construction requirements; for its failure to consult the association or the McKownville Water Board relative to the proposed extension serving the Three Hills Terrace area, and for its failure to act more quickly in acquiring water rights to the "Church Pond" behind McKownville Methodist Church in order to augment the water supply of the district.

On this latter point, the membership authorized writing of

a letter to the town board asking "immediate acquisition by condemnation if necessary" of water rights to the pond or the pond itself.

Discussing the association's role and its effect, members variously styled it as a kind of David at odds with the Goliathan town board. Mr. Prytherch noted, "You can't win everything, but protest does some good."

In addition to its executive officers, the membership also elected four directors for three-year terms: Gerald Hamme of Norwood Street, William Sharkey of Brookwood Avenue, Joseph Greisler of Mercer Street and Peter Schaltz of Glenwood Street.

Mr. Prytherch paid special tribute to Mrs. Verla McCarville, who is retiring as the association's treasurer, for her many years of service to the group.

Spring Festival In Guilderland

The sound of music will fill the Guilderland Senior High School gymnasium tomorrow and Friday when the school district's Music Department presents the annual spring festival instrumental and choral concerts.

Both programs are open to the public, and both are scheduled for 8 p.m.