

MCKOWNVILLE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting.

September 21, 1967
14 Glenwood Street

President Prytherch called the meeting to order with the following present:

President - Hugh Prytherch
Vice President - Andrew Valenti
Treasurer - Donald Munn
Secretary - Bernice E. Hamme

Directors - David W. Barrell
John F. Feldman
Joseph F. Greisler
Michael J. Hannon
George B. Hurley
James W. Shaughnessy

Absent: G. W. Hamme
Wm. A. Sharkey
Peter B. Schultz

Mr. Prytherch asked if the Board felt there was any position the Association should take on the matters of Cobb's Restaurant (Replacing N. Y. Beauty Salon on Western Ave.) and the New French Restaurant (to be located below the office of the Stuyvesant Shopping Plaza. The Board gave no argument as long as there were proper parking facilities.

Mr. Prytherch also raised the question of the "Do-Nut" Shop proposed to be built by Mr. Quadrini on his property on Western Avenue. To oppose same would take a petition by 6 residents. Case has already been before the Zoning Board. It is believed that there is nothing to oppose in the Zoning Law. A question was raised as to the water supply for such establishment. Mr. Hannon said there was enough water - the problem was the facilities to treat the water for use.

It was noted that a meeting before the Board of Supervisors would be held October 10th, if any of the Board felt there was anything in Zoning that would be of interest to the Association.

The pending water meters were discussed. It was thought that Westmere and McKownville meters would be incorporated and read twice a year. To install a meter, a 3/4" hole would be inserted in a basement wall and a pipe installed. The present lack of water pressure in some areas was brought up. Mr. Feldman said it was due to the fact that pipe must be replaced in some districts.

Mr. Barrell mentioned the unsightliness of the water tower; that children climb up the ladder leading to the tower

and write on the tower. It was suggested painting the tower and cutting off part of the ladder so that a worker would need to carry a ladder to reach the water tower ladder. The tower holds 250,000 gallons of water.

According to the requests of the Improvement Association at the Annual Meeting on May 16th, letters were sent to Congressman Button, Senator Kennedy and Senator Javits concerning a Postal Station at Stuyvesant Plaza. Mr. Prytherch received the correspondence which is filed with the minutes and a Postal Station is approved. It is believed that the Station will be at Whitney's. However, packages will still have to be picked up at the Post Office at So. Allen Street in case a resident is not at home when a mail truck delivers the packages.

The trunk line of the Sewer District was discussed. It is thought that Guilderland's share would be \$25,000 per year.

Mr. Munn mentioned the Middle School administrators' meeting on both September 25 and September 26. He related that in the nation there is approximately 700,000 children entering school each year and Guilderland has to absorb its share of the influx.

Leaf burning was mentioned and it was related that the Town Board is hoping to work out a way to have a truck pick up the leaves that the householder leaves in the gutter of his home.

Mr. Shaughnessy reported on vandalism.

Lack of taxi service in McKownville was discussed. Colonie, it was reported, has this service.

Mr. Prytherch asked that Mr. Hurley, Mr. Valenti and Mr. Shaughnessy form a committee to investigate all permits coming before the Town Board that would effect the Town.

Mr. Greisler was asked to find out about parking facilities.

Mr. Feldman and Mr. Barrell were asked to concentrate on Town Planning.

A complaint has been made of the smoke pollution from the State Campus; that the incinerators stacks are too close to the ground. Mr. Hamme will investigate.

Members were asked for any recommendations concerning the post office which is being considered to be placed at Whitney's Department Store and to keep the Association aware of any further developments.

Mr. Prytherch will attend the Board Meeting concerning Cobb's Restaurant which is proposed to be at Western Avenue and Arcadia Street. It has been said that in regards to parking, one car space for every 4 employees (off-street) is adequate. Evidently, patron space is decided according to the size of the business.

Mr. Munn, the Improvement Association Treasurer, reported a balance of \$292.61, with 33 members; 6 unpaid.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernice E. Hamme

Secretary.