

Guilderland Neighbors Urge Doctors To Hang Hat and Shingle Together

Residents of the Mc Knownville section of Guilderland are expected to attend the Tuesday night town board meeting in large numbers to protest the proposed rezoning of a section of Western Avenue from residential to business.

They will be reacting to requests of doctors and dentists who own houses on the section of Western Avenue between Knowles Terrace and Fuller Road that their property be rezoned.

Town zoning law requires that persons who have professional offices in their house must live in the same house.

HOWEVER, some of the physicians and dentists in the area have moved from their houses but have kept their professional offices on Western Avenue.

The Town of Guilderland has informed the medical men that they are in violation of the law and must either move back into their house, office or go through proper channels.

Some residents of the area came to the August town board meeting to protest the rezoning of Dr. George Hariff's office from residential to business. A decision on that case has not yet been made by the town board.

Residents objected to the rezoning on the grounds that the traffic problem in the area is already greater than the residential section can bear.

PETITIONS are now being circulated by the Mc Knownville Improvement Association in an effort to have the area remain residential.

Mrs. Anita Behn, wife of Melvyn Behn, vice president of the McKnownville Improvement Association, said that town school buses are no longer able to go down the side streets in that area of Western Avenue because of the traffic. Residents claim that the patients of the doctors park on the street either because no parking is provided or because it is more convenient for the patients to do so.

The petitions also claim that the deed restrictions for that section, known as Country Club Highlands specify that the area remain residential.

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Tobogganing is a type of sport, says a state judge, that entails a certain amount of bodily injured.

And when Mrs. Margaret J. O'Toole went tobogganing at the state-owned facility for tobogganing at Chenango Valley State Park Jan. 10, 1971, and was injured, she assumed a risk for which she is not entitled to collect damages from the state, said court of claims Judge Richard S. Heller.

Mrs. O'Toole of 71 Colfax Avenue, Binghamton, sued the State of New York for \$50,000. Her husband, Rae O'Toole wanted \$5,000 for "derivative" damages and expenses.

Mrs. O'Toole, her two children and three other teenage girls were aboard the eight foot toboggan when it hit a "bump" and Mrs. O'Toole was thrown and seriously injured.

The suit was dismissed.

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