

# Route 20 study gripes aired

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**GUILDERLAND** — For the public, it was a night to complain about the town's Route 20 planning study.

The second Town Board hearing on the proposal, conducted Monday night, attracted about 100 people — including developers, residents, attorneys and “ambassadors” from other towns — to the Farnsworth Middle School.

Many of the residents attended to oppose the proposed extension of Presidential Way, which runs through the Presidential Estates town-house development, to Klink Road.

The recommendation was made in the study prepared by Manuel S. Emmanuel Associates Inc. and was intended to improve the town's traffic circulation and aesthetics.

Early in the hearing, the Town Board determined the proposed Presidential Way extension was “impractical” and assured residents it would not occur.

Dr. Robert Freedman of Krumkill Road in New Scotland attended to oppose a proposed realignment of Krumkill Road, which the study calls a county road.

Freedman and Dr. Lyon Greenberg, another New Scotland resident, said the street was a town road “the town of New Scotland is opposed to” realigning.

Greenberg said he had spoken to town officials before attending the meeting.

Greenberg, whom Guilderland town Supervisor Kevin Moss referred to as an ambassador, added the proposed realignment would be impossible because it would span a 30-foot waterfall.

Wayne Burton, an Albany attorney representing the Tom Sawyer Motor Inn on Western Avenue, said the study recommended rezoning two acres of business-zoned land behind the motel for residential use. Burton said the motel owners had purchased the motel site and the two acres of property at the same time in case it needed to expand.

Town developers were not without their grievances. Vincent Wolanin complained the plan proposed rezoning the site of his 21st Point Club to residential.

Emanuel said there was a question of where to draw the line to limit the “protrusion of business development” in the area, to which Wolanin replied, “I don't think the 1,500 people who play at our club will agree” the line was properly drawn.

Wolanin's attorney, Louis Dempf, said the study also proposed cutting a line through Wolanin's property along Western Avenue and Johnston Road, where he had proposed the Market Square shopping center. The town Zoning Board rejected that plan and the case currently is in litigation.

Moss assured Wolanin his property would not be divided on the zoning map and his current business would not be rezoned.

Others, including developer Angelo Serafini and Edward Bohl, who owns the Bumble Bee Drive-In Restaurant and K&K Pool Supply, also said their properties were improperly rezoned to residential sites in the proposal.

Moss said the Town Board would schedule a working session on the planning study at the next Town Board meeting.

## Couple admits LSD sale

An Albany couple will be sentenced March 12 for selling LSD at their home.

Jay Barron, 33, and his wife, Helene Barron, 25, both of 564 Park Ave., pleaded guilty Monday to third-degree criminal sale of a controlled substance before Albany County Judge Joseph Harris.

They admitted selling 50 doses of the drug for \$150 last Nov. 27 to an Albany police informant, according to the Albany County district attorney's office.

Barron was remanded to the county jail pending sentencing, while Mrs. Barron was released on bail.

Harris also sentenced Robert J. Leormain, 22, of 480 First St., Albany, to one to three years in state prison for fifth-degree criminal sale of a controlled substance. He had admitted selling \$100 in cocaine in 1982 in Colonie.