

SPECIAL MEETING - TOWN OF BRIGHTON - FRANKLIN COUNTY, NY

August 19, 2013

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A Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Brighton was held Monday, August 19, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. at the Brighton Town Hall, 12 County Road 31, Paul Smiths, NY, with the following:

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was Called to Order by Supervisor Peter Shrope at 6:00 p.m.

“Pledge to the Flag” was recited.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT: Supervisor Peter Shrope

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Brian McDonnell, Amber McKernan, Steve Tucker and Lydia Wright

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Elaine Sater -Town Clerk

RESIDENTS: There were four residents present

GUESTS: Doug Martin, Property Owner of 652 Keese Mills Road, Tax Map #379.1-3.300

NOTICE OF MEETING: Notice of this meeting was posted on the Town Clerk’s Signboard on Tuesday, July 13, and posted at three post offices in the Town on Thursday, July 15, 2013. Notice was faxed to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise on Tuesday, July 13, 2013.

Violation of Local Law #1 for the Year 1981, “Providing for the Repair and Removal of Unsafe Buildings and Collapsed Structures” at 652 Keese Mills Road, Tax Map #379.1-3.300 - Supervisor Peter Shrope:

Douglas Martin called Supervisor Peter Shrope and complained about the Town arranging for Trudeau Sand and Gravel to take down a charred structure on his property. Supervisor Peter Shrope arranged for a meeting with the Town Board to discuss this issue. The Town hired Trudeau and Gravel, Inc., to demolish and remove the charred structure (Resolution #67-2013) for \$11,900 after sending notices of the violation to Doug Martin and receiving no response. Douglas Martin said he did not think the Town should be allowed to go on to private property and take down his house. He said he knocked the house down over the weekend. Discussion was held on the process for violations of the Local Law #1-1981.

Supervisor Peter Shrope will contact Trudeau Sand and Gravel, Inc and let them know the building has been taken down and cancel the contract. He will also contact the Code Enforcement Officer and have him inspect the property to see if it is safe.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Keith Smith asked why the fire department couldn’t use the building for fire training and burn it down.

Steve Tucker said due to environmental concerns the fire departments can no longer let buildings burn or burn them for training.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 6:25 p.m. made by Amber McKernan, **Second** by Brian McDonnell, **Aye 5 (McDonnell, McKernan, Shrope, Tucker, Wright), Nay 0**

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Sater, RMC
Brighton Town Clerk