

Board appoints Sidney Thatcher to councilman post

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The Ticonderoga town board spent a busy Thursday evening on problems of water districts, and the placement of a trailer at Eagle Lake. The board also appointed a councilman and heard a report on the town airport.

The town board heard a request from Paul Fosco, Park avenue, to have the town form a water district. Fosco stated that he had been to the village board and they had told him to come to the town board with his petition and request for a water district.

Fosco said there was a total of 12 homes in the area in which he was speaking about. Of this 12, there were 4 which were trailers. He said that he owned two lots in the area and that without water he could not move to the site.

The procedures on how to apply for a water district were explained in general. Town attorney Gerald Lawson told Fosco that he would have within the week a written procedure on how he should proceed to form a water district in the Park avenue area.

The town board heard a request from C.A. Belkevich, Troy, and Eagle Lake, to allow for a variance on his property so he could place a trailer. The town board at their August meeting had rejected an application by Belkevich on the trailer, because it had been placed without a permit, and according to available information at that time, the board felt that the request should not be granted.

Bloodmobile to visit here on Friday at 11 a.m.

The first American Red Cross Bloodmobile visit of the fall season has been scheduled for Friday, Sept. 20, in the First United Methodist church of Ticonderoga. The hours of operation of the visit will be from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Michael Edwards, area coordinator for the visit, stated that the Moses Ludington Hospital Auxiliary will be taking care of the volunteers needed to run the unit. They are also to assist in registration of donors.

Edwards said that a total of 140 units of blood are needed to meet the quota of this visit. There has been no advance sign-up for the visit and none was expected. It is hoped that the sign-up will show at the visit site that the quota will be met.

Medical officer will be on duty to decide who is eligible to donate blood.

During his presentation to the board Thursday evening, Belkevich stated that he felt that when he bought the land 20 years ago, he could have a spot to put a vacation home. He said that this year he was able to afford the purchase of a trailer and that he had placed the trailer.

It was pointed out by town clerk Freda Woods that the tax rolls did not reflect that the Belkevichs owned the property. Town attorney Lawson pointed out that there had not been an official filing of the deed on the property until Aug. 6, 1974.

The board had stated at the August meeting that there was not enough land in the plot to allow for the placement of leachbeds and also a water source. Belkevich told the board last Thursday that he planned to carry the water he needed to the site and that he would purchase a gas fired toilet.

There was some question of whether the boundaries of the land were correct as recorded in the county clerk's office. Belkevich told the board that he had another deed which gave a one-foot right-of-way across his property to a Mr. Gissel. This one foot is between the Belkevich and the property owned by Vincent Scuderi.

Justice Fred Provoncha, Jr., told Belkevich that the board would "never" give a variance to anyone with the lack of water and a septic system.

After further discussion a resolution was made by Provoncha and approved by the board which states that Belkevich may leave his trailer parked at the present location. He can leave the trailer parked until such time as the town board makes a decision on the proposed variance.

The board further instructed the town clerk to send letters to the property owners in the area. The board also instructed Belkevich to resubmit his application to this time. The town board will also call a hearing on the matter before a final decision is made.

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Next Week

Next week the Sentinel will include a special section celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the newspaper. Many area merchants and organizations will have special ads. There will be photos of the Sentinel never published before. That is the Sept. 25, edition of the Sentinel, in addition to our regular news features.

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A report was heard from town supervisor Melvin Porter, that the work at the town airport site was coming along "very well". It is estimated that the contractor may be more than half done with the second work contract within 10 days. At that rate the second contract could be completed in about 30 days instead of the 66 days originally contracted.

The board moved to advertise bids for contracts three and four of the airport projects at the Oct. 10 meeting of the board. The bids will be received at 8 p.m.

In other business and comments of the board,

--The board received a letter from the Ticonderoga village board on water districts. Supervisor Porter said that he had met with some of the village board members and that the matter will be discussed at a meeting with them in the near future.

--Appointed Cyrus LaPointe as dog enumerator.

--Approved a freedom of information act procedure resolution. Approved a related resolution for various other boards appointed by the town board.

--Arranged a negotiating meeting with the town highway crew for last Friday afternoon. Set dates for the beginning work on the town budget for next year.

Police arrest 3 for speeding

Ticonderoga town police report this week a total of three speeding arrests in town.

Police report that Richard E. Johnrow, 42, 8 John street, Ticonderoga, was arrested on Sept. 14, on the Shore Airport road for speeding. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Sept. 16.

Police arrested Dennis C. McKeown, 24, RFD Park Avenue, Ticonderoga, for speeding on Sept. 14. He was arrested on Wicker street. He is scheduled to appear in town court on Sept. 16.

The third individual arrested for speeding by town police was Robert J. Marcotte, 31, RD1 Box 90, Hague. He was arrested on Sept. 12, at the corner of Montcalm and Wiley streets. He is scheduled to appear on Sept. 16, in town court.

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