



Town of Ridgefield
Blight Prevention Board Meeting Unapproved Minutes
June 16th, 2026, 11am Via Zoom

Present: First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Building Official Jason Celestino, Aarti Paranjape, Jennifer Zbell, Drew Loya and Recording Secretary Renee Petrillo

Absent: 0

Guest(s): Debra Franceschini

Meeting Called to order by First Selectman Rudy Marconi at 11:00am.

1. 84 Mamasco Road

Title search of property of property found no record of a lien. A mortgage of 60K was found.

The board has been unable to reach Barbara Tansky regarding the dilapidated property and tree that needs to be removed. Board has determined that it will not be the town's responsibility to remove the tree and clean-up the property. **A motion was made by Jason Celestino to file a Notice of Determination to Ms. Tansky, 2nd by Aarti Parajape, All in favor. A letter certified letter including the Notice of Determination will be mailed to property owner**

2. 19 Saunders Lane

Rudy Marconi drove by the property and witnessed the pile of brush. It has been determined that this is a civil property dispute and needs to be resolved by the complainant.

3. 25 Seymour Lane

Resident, Gaetano Pressimone of 26 Seymour Ln made a complaint on 6/1/26 regarding 25 Seymour Ln. This complaint was also sent to Planning and Zoning. The owner of 25 Seymour Ln is in violation with Planning and Zoning and this is not Blight. This address with been taken off the Blight Agenda.

4. 51 Tally Ho Road

Jennifer Zbell Director of Health, drove by the property. She determined that the grass/lawn is about 20" high.

It has been determined by the board that this is not Blight. It has been suggested by the Board that the complainants move forward with a welfare check for resident Susan McGinley.

It has been determined by the board was to ask the owner Susan McGinley if a volunteer in town could mow her lawn. A motion was made by Rudy Marconi, 2nd by Aarti Paranjape all in favor to mail a certified letter to Ms. McGinley asking for permission to allow a town volunteer to mow her property.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes – May 19th, 2026

Motion made by Drew Loya, 2nd by Jennifer Zbell, All in favor

6. Public Comment

Debra Franceschini resident at 72 Spireview Road

Comments:

Ms. Franceschini has concerns at 84 Mamasco Rd. Debra asked if we could bill the property owner of 84 Mamasco Rd for the removal of tree of concern. Rudy Marconi responded that the town cannot legally do anything without permission from property owner and must follow proper Blight procedures. Mr. Marconi stated the Blight Board is going to follow-up with property owner of 84 Mamasco with a Blight notification letter.

Next meeting is July 21st at 11:00 am

Motion to adjourn at 11:30am

Motion by Rudy Marconi

Seconded by Aarti Paranjape

All in favor 5-0