



Town of Ridgefield
Blight Prevention Board Meeting Approved Minutes
February 17th, 2026, 11am Via Zoom

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

Absent: Drew Loya

Guest(s): 1 (Joe Moorhead)

Meeting Called to order by First Selectman Rudy Marconi at 11:03am.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes – January 20th, 2026

Motion to approve minutes

Motion by Jason Celestino, seconded by Aarti Paranjape.

All in favor 4-0

2. 84 Mamasasco Road

Update: First Selectman, Rudy Marconi spoke with property owner, Ms. Tansky. She would like to donate the property to the town, future of the property could be a park, named Tansky Park. Ms. Tansky provided Mr. Marconi with her nephew's contact information to assist with this property.

Mr. Marconi sent an email to the Town Council, Jason Buchbaum on February 16th about proceeded with the property.

Building Inspector, Jason Celestino will reach out to Chris Carrol to get an estimate of cost of demo and clean-up for the house.

Guest: Joe Moorhead spoke on his concerns with 84 Mamasasco Road. Concerned about dead tree that has been there for years, possible animal den, etc. Asking can the town remove this tree? Mr. Marconi, said he would ask the Tansky's permission to remove the tree and will talk to the Tree Warden, Steve Lavatori once permission is granted.

Mr. Moorhead also expressed concerns on his property tax increase with no improvements made to his property and the years that the Tansky property has been in disarray bringing his property value down.

Mr. Moorhead asked: how long this entire process will take. Answer from Mr. Marconi was a long time, but more likely if all goes well about 12-18 months.

Next meeting is March 17th at 11:00 am

Motion to adjourn at 11:16am

Motion by Jennifer Zbell

Seconded by Aarti Paranjape

All in favor 4-0