

Councilwoman Bonner Announces Town Action Against Illegally Converted, Non-Owner Occupied Rental Home in Rocky Point

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Councilwoman Bonner (center) meets with local residents to discuss the homeless shelter on Nautilus Drive in Rocky Point.

Farmingville, NY - Councilwoman Jane Bonner announced today that the Town's Law Department has issued eight appearance tickets to the owner of a home on Nautilus Drive in Rocky Point that was being used as a non-owner occupied rental home for homeless Department of Social Services (DSS) residents. Investigators gained access to the premises and observed that the living room was illegally converted into a bedroom. The home has been the subject of neighbor complaints since it was discovered to be a homeless shelter.

"I am very concerned that this shelter was placed in a quiet residential neighborhood without any discussions with me or members of the community," said Councilwoman Bonner. "The County and DSS must be more thorough when they consider locations to provide proper housing for their clients. Illegally converted homes could pose a danger to those who live in them or the people who live in the neighborhood. It truly is a quality of life issue for everyone involved."

The appearance tickets issued to the owner and property managing corporation include:

- Failure to submit a rental registration
- Building without a permit
- No Certificate of Occupancy
- Prohibited Use, parking on the front lawn

A court date has been set for November 7, 2013.

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