

# Town Demolishes Zombie House in Port Jefferson Station

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**Farmingville, NY** – On November 1, the Town of Brookhaven demolished a dilapidated, abandoned “zombie house” located at 5 Alden Way in Port Jefferson Station. The house, which was vacant for many years, was dilapidated and the property was overgrown, resulting in Town of Brookhaven code violations and numerous resident complaints. It was demolished by the Town in accordance with Chapter 73 of the Town Code which provides a “fast track” to rid neighborhoods of unsafe structures. The cost of demolition and debris removal is the responsibility of the property owner, and the Town places a lien on the property that is then placed on the tax bill. The County reimburses the Town and then they collect the money from the property owner.

Councilman Kevin LaValle, who represents the 3rd Council District where the house was located said, “This house had been a dangerous eyesore in a very nice neighborhood with well-kept homes. Thanks to the assistance of the Town’s Law Department and Recycling and Sustainable Materials Management Department, we are cleaning up neighborhoods in my district and all across Brookhaven Town.”

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