

Guilderland Professional Sites Attacked

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Guilderland — Professional practitioners in the McKownville section of Guilderland who no longer live on the site of their office-home buildings will be served soon with injunctions by the town, Supervisor Carl Walters said Tuesday.

Walters said a joint meeting of all three municipal boards—town, zoning and planning—decided to uphold zoning laws which state that in a residential area an office - practice combination must be used as the residence of the practitioner. It cannot be rented.

At least three professionals men will be affected by the town decision. Dr. Anthony Mastrianni, a pediatrician who practices at 1461 Western Avenue; Dr. George Harff, a dental surgeon who practices at 1467 Western Avenue; and J.A. Rissacher, a chiropractor at 1451 Western Avenue.

THE MCKOWNVILLE area is zoned residential and the only way the practices could continue in the area would be to spot zone them to commercial zoning under current zoning law.

Opposition by some McKownville residents in August and September 1972, to spot zoning which they believed would open the area to not only professional offices but small businesses, caused the town to hold a heavily attended hearing at the Sept. 12 town board meeting. Parking, traffic and real estate values also were cited as concerns.

At that time, with strong votes of confidence given by

tors remaining under those conditions.

However, Walters said Tuesday the board has decided to stick to its original zoning laws.

Asked what would follow, Walters said, "Those in violation will be served in the near future with injunctions."

Asked what he believed reaction to the decision would be, Walters said: "People will be mad when they have to move out."

THE THREE professionals named by Walters who will be affected by the decision are Dr. Mastrianni and Harff, and Mr. Rissacher, he said.

Dr. Mastrianni said Thursday night that he had no idea of the town decision and preferred to defer comment until he was officially notified.

Dr. Harff said Tuesday that he, too, had not been informed of the town's decision, but he wished to make two initial comments.

"FIRST," DR. HARFF said, "I have not been informed of any action by the town on my original request for a special use permit since last August." Dr. Harff said he has a voting address in Guilderland.

"Second," the dental surgeon said, "I have not been informed of any meetings held by the town or the fact that they had reached a final verdict on the offices."

Early in September Harold Crounse, town planning and zoning coordinator, admitted he had "opened the kettle of fish" voluntarily.

Crounse said then "We recognize that with so many