Neighbors ask occupancy enforcement

GUILDERLAND — In anticipation of the fall college semester, the McKownville Improvement Association has asked the town board to enforce town laws limiting the number of occupants in one house.

Association president John Esler asked the board Tuesday to strictly enforce a law that five or more people unrelated by blood or marriage may not live in the same apartment or single-family house.

Citing parking problems, Esler said, "It's not the students that bother me. It's the problems they bring with them."

Esler told the board Albany State University may be faced with a rooming shortage this fall, and because part of the campus is in the town with most of it bordering the town, students, he predicted, will be seeking lodging in Guilderland.

Town supervisor Carl J. Walters told Esler enforcement of the ordinance will be difficult unless parties involved file complaints.

Also Tuesday, the board awarded several bids, including a \$174,140 contract to Buckman Pistano Construction Co. of Albany for the construction of three pumping stations at Black Creek, Cherry Lane and Pine View.