

May 01,2001

The Middlesex Governing Body met in Special Called Session on May 1, 2001 in the Conference Room of the Town Hall. Members present were Mayor Bobby R. Bissette, Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Fred Hough, Luke Robinson, and Bascoe Lewis. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Public Hearing on the request to rezone the Warner Allen Property on School House Road from RS to RH. Mayor Bissette called the meeting to order, opened the hearing for discussions.

Arvetta Caines said that her only concern was the traffic on School House Road, that people are always speeding on that road and she felt that it would need more police patrolling.

Jim Lewis said that his mother had property across the road and was concerned about the size of the project and the surface water run-off.

Clyde Icenogle raised concerns over how the project would be financed, and if the use of the property could be changed if ownership changed.

Clem Shankle assured the group that funds had already been approved by Rural Development, (formerly Farmers Home Administration) and that it cannot be sold for a period of thirty (30) years. He said that a manager would live on site during the night and must be there at least four hours during the day. He further stated that a tenants could not live there if they had a child past the age of 10.

Mayor Bissette stated that he had visited three of the sites owned by SouthLand Partnership and each of them were very clean and well maintained.

Mayor Bissette asked if anyone else had anything to say and Planning Board Member Bill Durham stated that he had some concerns that did not surface during the Planning Board Meeting, however he said that he felt the Governing Body should vote on the issue by what the people had expressed to them, whether it be positive or negative.

Being no more discussion, Mayor Bissette closed the hearing and the meeting was declared an open meeting.

Commissioner Meacombs moved to rezone the 3.40 acres of Allen Property on School House Road from RS to RH, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Robinson and carried unanimously.

The clerk presented a request from Isaac Lewis requesting that the town take possession of Village Square Drive in Village Square Subdivision, and after discussion, Commission Meacombs moved to accept the donation of the property, and have it become part of the town's street system, for maintaining and receiving state funds for, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Hough and carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn.

Peggy Bissette,
Town Clerk

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