

July 23, 2003

The Middlesex Governing Body met in special session on July , 23, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Town Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to hear a request from Stallings Brothers, Inc. to be relieved from the zoning ordinance which prohibits operating a business in a residential zone at 9479 North Nash Street for a period of 120 days. Members present were Commissioners Harold Meacombs, Fred Hough, Luke Robinson, Larry Daniel and Bascoe Lewis. Mayor Bobby R. Bissette was absent. Guests were Jeff and Randy Stallings and Alvin Brantley.

Mayor Pro Tem Harold Meacombs called the meeting to order and recognized Jeff Stallings to address the board. Jeff stated his request was due to the fact that they hired a mechanic to work on their trucks because he needed a job and they needed a mechanic instead of hiring an outsider to repair trucks and needed a place for him to work. Jeff stated if the Board would allow them 120 days, they would have a building finished on Claude Lewis Road to move in. Randy Stallings stated they would have already been in the building if we hadn't had so much rain.

Zoning Administrator Peggy Bissette brought to the attention of the Board that she had spoken to Jeff Stallings when he purchased the property at 9479 North Nash Street from Bruce Edwards and advised him at that time that he could not use the shop building there to work on trucks. Jeff said he understood and would not be conducting business there. Due to the fact that business was being conducted there, Bissette wrote a letter to Stallings asking them to cease operations. Refusing to cease operations, Bissette had the town's attorney write a letter to the Stallings's requesting them to cease operations. When they failed to comply with the attorney's letter, Bissette instructed the town attorney to begin proceedings for an injunction to stop the operation.

Mayor Pro Tem Meacombs then reviewed the attorney's letter which stated in her opinion the town board did not have the authority to grant the Stallings' request.. In order to grant the request, the zoning ordinance would have to be changed, which would require a Public Hearing, or the Board of Adjustments would have to hear the request for the variance.

Being no further discussion, Commissioner Robinson moved to adjourn.

Mayor Pro Tem Harold Meacombs  
Commissioners  
Fred Hough  
Luke Robinson  
Larry Daniel  
Bascoe Lewis

Jennifer Lambert  
Town Clerk

