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PLANNING BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING 3/27/89

Acton Town Hall

Board Members Present: Quinton Brathwaite, Robert Block, Mary Giorgio, Greg Niemyski, David Hill, Doug Carnahan; Roland Bartl, Town Planner.

- I. **Presentation of Neighborhood Group regarding Meadow View Subdivision Proposal:** (neighborhood is party in appeal of decision). Keith Gregory summarized the neighborhoods position as follows:
1. That the neighborhood would have preferred if the Board had stuck to its original decision.
 2. That after discussing the various settlement options, one would be acceptable: 18 homes + Road improvements on Robbins Street at the crest of 57 Robbins, to improve sight distance.
 3. That this is by no means a unanimous vote of the neighborhood, but there are many opposing votes.
- II. **Discussion of Proposal:** A discussion followed with Greg Patterson and Charles Kadison (representing Met West) stating that their offer is at 19 Lots + roadway improvements and that there is considerable uncertainty on the cost of the road improvement, since substantial blasting may be required. Roland Bartl stated that sharing cost (Met West pay for the materials, Acton DPW would do work and equipment) would be acceptable and a fair solution. Upon which the neighborhood finds that they (taxpayers) would ultimately pay for the Towns share. Quint and Rob find that this would be fair since such improvements would benefit the residents who already live in the area and since this work would have to be done by the Town, anyway. This is an opportunity to get it done. It is better for the Town to spend labor and time on road improvements than to spend money on a litigation in this case.

The following questions remain unanswered: How much would this project cost? Are both neighbors, at 57 Robbins and across in agreement?

Mary Giorgio moves to cut off discussion (since no new information is forthcoming) and to go into Executive Session to discuss this matter.

- Motion Lost -

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A member of the neighborhood asks why the Board has changed its position on the subdivision proposal, upon which Quint lists the benefits of the amended plan, which in many points address the Board's concerns.

Rob repeats Mary's motion from above:

- Motion Carries - (after roll call)

III. Zoning Articles - Town Meeting Preparation

Chairman (Quint) will present all articles (except 1 + 2) and will give Planning Board statement regarding articles 1 + 2.

As second line backup:

Rob will prepare for Articles 1 + 2

All members will prepare for Articles 3 + 4

Greg will prepare for Articles 5

Staff will be backup for Articles 6 - 10 (technical articles)

IV. Planning Board will meet on April 10 for dress rehearsal in preparation of 4/11/89 Town Meeting.

V. **Other:** Planning Board would like for Jack Berry to be a witness:
Re: Foster Masonry. Staff will let Jack know.

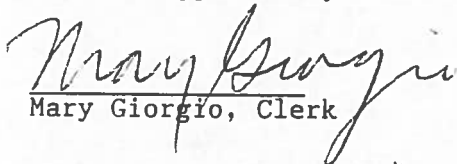
Planning Board wants staff to estimate open space in residential and commercial districts for comparison; and get commercial growth numbers, just in case they are needed.

Post signs to announce April 11, 1989, Special Town Meeting at regular Town Meeting (also flyers). Post signs at transfer station, have Town Meeting Moderator announce special Town Meeting at regular Town Meeting.

Have Article in Beacon.

Meeting closed.

Minutes approved by Planning Board


Mary Giorgio, Clerk