

Town of Swansboro
EOC/PSB Site Selection Committee
April 24, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Board members - Keith Walsh, Commissioner Doug Eckendorf, Roy Herrick, Melissa Anderson and Junior Freeman. Staff in attendance were: Fire Chief Jacob Randal, Interim Town Manager Jon Barlow and Town Clerk Alissa Fender.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

Adoption of Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Herrick, seconded by Ms. Anderson, the March 25, 2024, meeting minutes were adopted unanimously.

Business

Land Solicitation Package Reviews

Two packages have been received in response to the Town's Land Solicitation request that had been published in the paper and posted to the website.

The Committee reviewed two properties that were submitted in response to the Land Solicitation search.

A packet for 3.98 acres located on Hammocks Beach Road was reviewed. The committee had concerns related to the infrastructure, especially the 2-lane road and distance from Highway 24.

A packet for 4158 Freedom Way (discussed previously at a meeting) was reviewed. The committee still had concerns with the property's orientation to the nearby intersection and the possibility of traffic congestion at peak times at the stop light.

Board Comments

Chair Walsh shared that the committee needed to work on ways to get more solicitations and shared that he had personally reached out to people about properties and hoped to see packets come in for those. He shared 1 property was next to Bojangels at the Belgrade Swansboro Road intersection and the other was the Sanderson Property on Highway 24 in the vicinity of the Ford Dealership and Charleston Park Subdivision. He also shared that he had reach out to the Perry family but they were not interested in selling the property to the Town.

Mr. Freeman shared that the property Mr. Walsh was speaking of used to have trailers located on it so there was a possibility that many septic tanks will have to be addressed. He also shared that property next to the Roarty Club may also come as a submittal in the coming weeks.

Commissioner Eckendorf recommended that the Fire Chief speak to the properties that were mentioned and create a relationship that may aid in assisting them with considerations of offering the properties to the Town.

Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Herrick, seconded by Mr. Freeman, the meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm with unanimous approval.