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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead,  
held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 31, 1970 at 10:00 A. M.

Present:

Bruno Zaloga, Supervisor  
Thomas R. Costello, Town Justice  
Robert G. Leonard, Town Justice  
Vincent B. Grodski, Councilman  
George G. Young, Councilman

Also present: John J. Munzel, Town Attorney.

WAIVER OF NOTICE AND CONSENT TO MEETING

WE, the undersigned, being all of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, do hereby waive notice of the time, place and purpose of a meeting of the Town Board to be held at the Town Hall, 220 Roanoke Avenue, Riverhead, N. Y., at 10:00 A.M. o'clock, on March 31, 1970, and do consent to the holding of such meeting for the purpose of discussing and making a determination on the matter of the Planning Board's recommendation and report (under date of 3/25/70) on the petition of Fuel Desulphurization, Inc., to amend Ordinance No. 26 by changing from "Residence C and Agricultural A" Use Districts to "Industrial B" Use District on parcel of land as set forth in application of aforesaid Fuel Desulphurization Inc.

Dated: March 31, 1970  
Riverhead, N. Y.

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Supervisor

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Councilman

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Councilman

Filed:

COMMUNICATION

Town of Riverhead Planning Board, dated March 25, 1970, submitting resolution adopted at its meeting held on March 25, 1970, to wit:

"WHEREAS, the petition of Fuel Desulphurization, Inc., to amend Town Ordinance No. 26 of the Town of Riverhead, by changing zoning use district from Residence C and Agriculture A to Industrial B of a parcel of land located on the north side of Sound Avenue, and south of Sound Shore Road, at Northville, Town of Riverhead, was filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Riverhead on February 2, 1970, and

COMMUNICATION continued:

WHEREAS, said petition was referred by the Riverhead Town Board to the Riverhead Planning Board for its recommendation, and

WHEREAS, copies of said petition were mailed to each member of said Planning Board on or about February 12, 1970, and

WHEREAS, at a regular meeting of the Planning Board held at the Town Hall on February 18, 1970, the proposed use to be made of the premises described in the petition and the land under the waters of Long Island Sound adjacent to and appurtenant thereto was very thoroughly and capably presented, described and explained by Mr. R. Condon Smith, Attorney for said Corporation, and Mr. David E. Scholl, President of said Corporation, and

WHEREAS, the future of Riverhead should be basically a community with residential areas of various densities, supported by a substantial industrial and commercial economic base, and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan of the Town of Riverhead envisioned the Town of Riverhead to contain approximately 20% or approximately 9,000 acres of the land area to be used for industry, to be proportioned as follows: 7,820 acres light industrial, 21 acres village industrial, and 1,166 acres general industrial, which is a ration of 1 to 7 heavy industry to light industry, and

WHEREAS, the rezoning of 1969 increased the total industrial area to approximately 11,000 acres of which 3,000 acres were zoned Industrial B or heavy industry, and

WHEREAS, this reduced the ratio to approximately 1 to 4 Industrial B or heavy industry to Industrial A or light industry, and

WHEREAS, this petition for an increase of approximately 400 acres to Industrial B or heavy industry amounts to a 13% increase over the present Industrial B or heavy industry of land use, and

WHEREAS, the Board considers the area to be better suited to low and medium density residential development as specified in the Master plan because of the topography of the land and the existence of natural resources such as the ponds, woods, and the proximity of the town recreational area and Long Island Sound, and

WHEREAS, the proposed use would change the predominant and fundamental character of the community, and

WHEREAS, although the Master Plan considered an existing communications use in the area as a reservation for a light industrial use in that area, this use has since been abandoned and the entire area rezoned by the Town of Riverhead,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Riverhead Planning Board recommend to the Riverhead Town Board that the petition of Fuel Desulphurization, Inc., to amend Town Ordinance No. 26 of the Town of Riverhead, by changing from Residence C and Agriculture A Use District to Industrial B Use District a parcel of land

COMMUNICATION continued:

located on the north side of Sound Avenue, and south of Sound Shore Road, at Northville, Town of Riverhead, be denied, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead." (End). Filed.  
Copies to Town Board.

The Town Clerk submitted the following communications opposing the proposed oil refinery:

- 8 telegrams
- 254 letters
- 3 petitions containing 68 signatures. Filed.

The following communication addressed to the Town Board from Reginald C. Smith, Esq., representing Fuel DeSulphurization, Inc., was submitted to the Board:

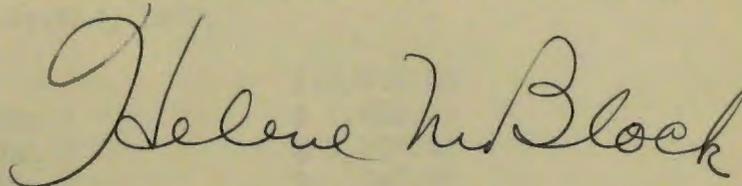
"The petition which was verified on the 27th day of January, 1970, and filed with you, on behalf of FUEL DESULPHURIZATION, INC., for the change of zone relating to an area at Northville, is hereby withdrawn." Filed.

Reginald C. Smith, Esq., appeared in person and thanked the members of the Board for the courtesies they have extended to him, Mr. Scholl and to the representatives of the Fuel DeSulphurization, Inc., and stated he realizes that because of the tremendous pressure that has been brought upon the Board, that it would not be able to grant permission for the change of zone.

In view of the withdrawal of the petition of Fuel Desulphurization, Inc., for change of zone, the Town Board felt there was no need for further discussion or action thereupon.

Mr. Frank Polacek, representing the Riverhead Lions Club extended an invitation to the members of the Town Board to attend the "Turning Over of the Comfort Station Ceremony" to be held at Grangebél Park on Saturday, April 4th, 1970 at 11:00 A.M.

There being no further business on motion and vote, the meeting adjourned.



Helene M. Block, Town Clerk