

NEW HOPE CREEK CORRIDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of May 27, 1993

Resurrection United Methodist Church

Members Present: Ken Coulter, Jan Demmy, Muriel Easterling, Jud Edeburn's substitutes (Tanya Vujic & Stewart Hollands), Isaac Harold, Joan Magat (for Mimosa Neighborhood), Fred Meier, Hildegard Ryals, Mike Waldroup

Members Absent: Wade Penny

Guests: Bill Flournoy (President, Triangle Land Conservancy), Josephine Humphries (New Hope property owner) and Audrey Booth and Bill Hutchins (Friends of New Hope Land Committee)

Muriel Easterling presided as Chairman

Ken Coulter, of Coulter Associates, Landscape Architects & Land Planners, (the firm which prepared the New Hope Corridor Open Space Master Plan), explained the various components of the Master Plan using extensive maps showing floodplain, property lines and protection priorities.

Bill Flournoy, President of the Triangle Land Conservancy (the land trust under whose aegis the New Hope Master Plan and Friends of the New Hope evolved) described TLC's role vis implementation of the Master Plan. TLC will continue to work closely with Durham County on landowner contacts (County purchases will be through the Trust for Public Lands) and on a joint application for federal funding under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act. NAWCA grants to protect wetlands and enhance migratory bird habitat, are made to localities, state agencies and private organizations. Partnerships are encouraged, and lands purchased or donated for the New Hope can be used for matching purposes. In March TLC purchased the "Boulevard Lands" parcel (32 acres on the east bank of the New Hope just north of US 15-501), has been in contact with several landowners and with the developer of one large subdivision..

In addressing the question, "What is the Advisory Committee's function?" Mike Waldroup suggested the need for a mission statement. He, Fred Meier and Ken Coulter will work on one. It was agreed that the Committee would meet on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:00 P.M. for the next six months. Muriel Easterling was asked and agreed to serve as temporary chairman. She will act as a clearing house for ideas for presentations to the Committee.

Prior to adjournment, Bill Hutchins, Friends of New Hope representative on the US 15-501 Corridor Study Steering Committee, presented maps and options currently under consideration by the Steering Committee and Parsons, Brinkerhoff the traffic consultants.

Respectfully submitted,

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