

MINUTES OF THE
STORM WATER APPEALS BOARD (SWAB)
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 19, 2014

1. **OPENING** – The Storm Water Appeals Board (SWAB) met in session on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Williamson County Administrative Complex. Vice-Chairman Dorie Bolze called the meeting to order. A quorum was present. Attendees were:

1.1 Board Members

John Minton, Homebuilders Representative
John Kinnie, Agricultural Representative
Brad Hoot, Community Representative, Secretary
Betsy Hester, Commission Representative
Dan Crunk, Development Representative
Dorie Bolze, Environmental Representative, Vice-Chairman

1.2 Staff

Michael Scott, Storm Water Quality Coordinator
Kristi Ransom, Attorney
Floyd Heflin, County Engineer
Debbie Smith, Engineering Administrative Assistant

1.3 Representatives

Tim Turner, T-Squared Engineering (Snyder Appeal)
Shannon Snyder, owner
Nick Teasley, Riverbirch Homes, Builder
Dickie Sullivan, (King's Chapel Appeal)
John Powell, Developer, King's Chapel

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Dorie Bolze opened the floor for comments on the October 22, 2014 minutes and noted that she made one correction on page 3 paragraph 5 last sentence. She added the applicant had not considered the other side of the creek. Betsy Hester moved for approval as corrected, seconded by Brad Hoot. The motion was unanimously approved.
3. **11-19-2014-02 - Appeal for 7833 Barnhill Rd.**

3.1 Introduction by Staff – Mr. Scott reviewed the Staff report for the record.

3.2 Appellant Case - Nick Teasley indicated the house site had been moved approximately 25 feet to the west and at this point it was out of the WNA and also out of the floodzone area. Also he pointed out the additional rain gardens that were added for mitigation. Tim Turner indicated that any rainwater that comes from the house or driveway will filter through the rain gardens before entering the stream.

3.3 Public Hearing – No Comment.

3.4 Board Discussion – Dan Crunk stated he would like to thank the applicants for revising the request as asked by the Board.

Dorie Bolze asked if the floodzone buffers were added to the exhibits. Tim Turner stated they did do onsite surveying to shoot the elevations of the house and floodzone to verify the house was out of the floodzone and those elevations were on the submitted exhibits for the Board.

3.5 Board Action – Dan Crunk moved for approval as submitted, seconded by Brad Hoot. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. 11-19-2014-03 – Appeal for King’s Chapel Subdivision.

4.1 Introduction by Staff - Mr. Scott reviewed the Staff report for the record. Copies of the Final Plat for Section 4B and the preliminary plat were available for review.

4.2 Appellant Case – John Powell stated the sewer lines were on the original site plans submitted to the Planning Department, however the disturbance was stopped at the rear of these homes. He indicated that plans had been submitted and approved by TDEC as seen on the exhibits submitted to the Board.

John Powell indicated the existing pond had always leaked and approximately 2 summers ago the pond failed and at that point it was reconstructed to its current state. After the repairs were made the pond’s water level rose approximately four (4) feet.

Dickie Sullivan indicated that since the repairs were made, the WNA area has increased by approximately twenty (20) feet in some areas, due to the water level of the pond.

4.3 Public Hearing – No Comments

4.4 Board Discussion – Dan Crunk asked where the trail would be located and how wide would it be. John Powell indicated the trail would be on top of the area that was disturbed for the sewer line installation. Also the width of the trail would be 4-5 feet and constructed with natural materials, not paved.

Brad Hoot asked how deep the sewer line was installed. John Powell indicated since it is a gravity-fed system, some areas were approximately 12 feet deep.

John Kinnie asked if the area where the sewer lines are located is in open space. Dickie Sullivan indicated they are located within open space, however, they have not been platted at this time. Currently, sewer line plans are not submitted to the County, only roadway and drainage plans were submitted at the preliminary plat stage. With future submittals, the plans will be submitted to the County and State at the same time in order to avoid these mistakes going forward.

Dan Crunk asked if utility lines were allowed in the WNA. Floyd Heflin indicated the regulations state that governmental entities are allowed to place utilities in the WNA a minimum of 25 feet from Top of Bank. However, this utility is a private company. Kristi Ransom stated the reason for this section in the regulations is because government entities are generally exempt from the regulations.

Brad Hoot asked for details on the walking trail. John Powell indicated that if there are areas of erosion, the trail could consist of graveled areas to prevent future erosion, but the majority of the trail would be mulched. The areas around the trail would remain natural and not maintained. The trail would not be paved because there are other areas within the subdivision that are paved for easier access for strollers.

Dorie Bolze asked if there are four (4) waiver requests for the item. Kristi Ransom stated there are four (4), however at this time the Board could not grant a blanket waiver for future plans, as requested by the applicant.

John Kinnie asked what the maintenance was going to be along the trail. Dickie Sullivan stated that over time, the plan was to leave things alone and allow them to grow naturally.

Dan Crunk noted that the disturbed areas have already been stabilized and agrees with Brad Hoot that moving it at this stage would cause more problems than leaving it as it is.

4.5 Board Action – Brad Hoot moved for approval of the encroachment into the WNA as per the submitted plans labeled WNA Disturbance Existing and Sewer WNA Encroachment dated October 26, 2014, seconded by John Kinnie. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dan Crunk moved for approval of the Walking trail as submitted in the exhibit dated October 26, 2014 labeled Walking Trail Exhibit and requested that all construction be overseen by a licensed Engineer, materials be of his selection, non-erodible or at least stable and both side of the trail be allowed to return to natural state, seconded by John Kinnie. The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, Brad Hoot moved for adjournment, seconded by Dan Crunk. The motion was unanimously approved.



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