

MINUTES OF THE
STORM WATER APPEALS BOARD (SWAB)
MEETING OF April 25, 2012

1. **OPENING** – The Storm Water Appeals Board (SWAB) met in session on Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Williamson County Administrative Complex. Chairman Rick Schuff called the meeting to order. A quorum was present. Attendees were:

1.1 Board Members

Richard Schuff, Engineering Representative, Chairman
John Minton, Homebuilders Representative
Brad Hoot, Community Representative, Secretary
Dan Crunk, Development Representative
Dorie Bolze, Environmental Representative, Vice-Chairman
John Kinnie, Agricultural Representative

1.2 Staff

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

1.3 Representative for Appeals

Jason Morelock, P.E., Perry Engineering LLC
Royce Stokes, Stokes, Steel and Construction Inc.
Jesse Walker, Jesse Walker Engineering
Steve Watkins, Tomlin and Associates
Tim Underwood, property owner

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Schuff opened the floor for comments on the March 28, 2012 minutes. Brad Hoot requested that the word “the” should be removed from Item #2 line 4. Dan Crunk moved to approve as corrected, seconded by Brad Hoot. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. **04-25-12-01 - Appeal for 3279 Southall Rd.**

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

3.2 Appellant Case – Jason Morelock, P.E., Perry Engineering LLC indicated that Grace Chapel would like to construct sports fields that consist of a Baseball and Football field and a softball field. The baseball/football field site plans show two proposals. The first proposal (C-2.3) shows the fields located out of the Waterway Natural Area (WNA) with grading inside the WNA, and the second proposal (C-2.1) shows the fields and grading inside the WNA. The softball field

will be located within the WNA as shown on C-2.2. The softball field is at its best location because of the swampy area and existing railroad berm to the north of the proposed location.

Mr. Morelock indicated they are currently working with TDEC to obtain ARAP permits for the two proposed outfalls to allow the area to drain properly.

3.3 Public Hearing – No Public Comments

3.4 Board Discussion – Dan Crunk asked what the difference would be if they kept the baseball/football field out of the WNA. Mr. Morelock stated that the baseball/football field could be located outside the WNA, with the exception of the grading, however, they would like to save some trees around the location of the backstop. If they were required to move it out of the WNA, the trees would have to be removed.

Dorie Bolze asked why the softball field could not be moved out the WNA. Mr. Morelock indicated that there was a large swampy area to the north of the proposed location and an existing railroad berm.

Mrs. Bolze asked if the entire area was within the 100 year flood plain and what structures would be built. Mr. Morelock stated that it was within the flood plain, and the only proposed structures are the backstops for the fields and possibly removable outfield fencing. Bleachers are not proposed, and spectators would need to bring lawn chairs for seating. Mr. Heflin added that all FEMA flood plain regulations will be addressed during the site plan approval.

John Kinnie asked how much grading would be done in the outfield areas. Mr. Morelock stated that it would be about 1-2 feet of grading for both fields.

Brad Hoot asked how the water quality would be improved. Mr. Morelock stated that the improvement would be made by keeping the 30' undisturbed area around the bank of the river, and no mowing or maintenance would be allowed in this area.

Mr. Crunk asked why the grading was different on the baseball/football field plans. Mr. Morelock stated that it should be the same, that was an error on his part. The grading that is needed is as proposed on drawing C-2.1.

3.5 Board Action – Dorie Bolze moved to deny the location of the baseball/football field inside the WNA, and approve the softball field as proposed on C-2.2, with the condition that no grading shall be closer than 30 feet from the top of bank and buffer vegetation of 30 feet and up to 50 feet in areas where permissible, seconded by Dan Crunk.

Dorie Bolze moved to amend her motion by adding that the construction of the swale and grading would be allowed within the WNA as per submitted plans (C-2.1), seconded by Dan Crunk. The amendment was unanimously approved.

Dan Crunk moved to amend the motion by removing the 50 foot buffer area around the softball field, seconded by Dorie Bolze. The amendment was unanimously approved.

The motion as amended was approved 4-1. John Kinnie voted no, Brad Hoot abstained.

4. **04-25-12-02 - Appeal for 5448 Waddell Hollow Rd.**

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

4.2 Appellant Case – Jesse Walker, Jesse Walker Engineering, represented this item. He stated that the applicant wants to subdivide this parcel for her children. The driveway is existing and the disturbance would be to install the waterline under the existing road bed and would be stabilized immediately after installation. Mr. Walker indicated that once the tracts are divided, they will be accessed via a 50 foot easement that will be located along the current driveway.

4.3 Public Hearing – No Public Comments

4.4 Board Discussion – Dorie Bolze asked about the three components of the waiver. Mr. Walker indicated the existing driveway was one section, the waterline was the second and the extension of the driveway was the third.

Dan Crunk indicated that if the roadway was moved, it would cause more disturbance than leaving it in the current location. Also, adding that if the waterline could be installed outside the WNA, it would be the preferred location.

Dorie Bolze asked how deep the waterline would be. Richard Schuff indicated from his review of the plans, it will have to be a minimum of 18" and seemed to cause less disturbance by putting it under the existing roadway versus having to re-stabilizing an additional area.

4.5 Board Action – Brad Hoot move to approve this waiver as submitted, seconded by John Kinnie. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. **04-25-12-03 - Appeal for 4424 Gosey Hill Rd.**

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

5.2 Appellant Case – Steve Watkins, Tomlin & Associates represented this item and gave the Board a revised plan. Mr. Watkins stated that the owners are in the

process of dividing this parcel that is currently served by a 50 foot ingress/egress/utility easement. The individual waterlines would be installed within this easement.

5.3 Public Hearing – No Public Comments

5.4 Board Discussion – Brad Hoot asked to clarify whether anything was changing with the current easement. Mr. Watkins stated that it was staying the same.

Dan Crunk asked if it would be appropriate to approve the waterline along with the easement. Mr. Heflin stated that it would be wise, because the installation of the waterline would not require permits and could be done without staff ever knowing.

Michael Scott stated that he spoke with TDEC yesterday regarding the pond. TDEC indicated that the pond was not a wetland, and that the pond would not be considered as waters of the State.

5.5 Board Action – Dan Crunk moved to approve this waiver as submitted with the condition that the waterline serving tract two be a minimum of 30' from the top of bank, seconded by Dorie Bolze. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. **Other Business** – The Board asked for updates on last years appeals. Mr. Scott stated that he was currently working on getting information together and would hopefully have it finished soon.

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



Chairman

7/25/12

Date