

MINUTES OF THE
STORM WATER APPEALS BOARD (SWAB)
MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2025

1. **OPENING** – The Storm Water Appeals Board (SWAB) met in session on Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Williamson County Administrative Complex. A quorum was present. Attendees were:

1.1 Board Members

John Kinnie, Agricultural Representative, Chairman
Brad Hoot, Homeowner Representative, Secretary
Liz McLaurin, Environmental Representative
Betsy Hester, County Commission Representative
Davis Lamb, Development Representative
George Garden, Engineering Representative

1.2 Staff

Mario Forgione, Stormwater Coordinator
Floyd Heflin, County Engineer
Kristi Ransom, County Attorney
Debbie Smith, Administrative Office Manager

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Chairman John Kinnie opened the floor for comments on the February 26, 2025, minutes. Brad Hoot made a motion to approve; seconded by George Garden. The motion was unanimously approved. (Liz McLaurin was not present for the minutes).
3. **03-26-2025-03– Waiver of Section 4 by Gerald Bucy on behalf of Edgar and Michelle Begun for property located at 7379 Caney Fork Road.**

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

3.2 Applicant – Gerald Bucy stated he had supplied the Mitigation Landscaping plan as asked. He also added that the new barn is slightly larger than the previous barn. The runoff from the roof has been addressed with a larger gutter system which will allow the water to be diverted to the front of the property instead of into the creek and baffles to slow the flow of the water.

Mr. Gerald stated the owners have hired Davey Resource Group and Duke Design Group to create the landscaping plan.

Gavin Duke, Duke Design Group stated he created the plan showing the outfall with level spreaders to ensure that runoff stays out of the WNA.

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Sam Parrish, Davey Resource Group, discussed the native vegetation that will be planted and the stream bank stabilization plan.

3.3 Public Hearing – No Comment

3.4 Board Discussion – Brad Hoot asked how the new construction affects the water quality and if would be better than it was with the old structure. Mr. Parrish stated it would be better due to the installation of the vegetation within the WNA.

Betsy Hester asked for clarification on the clean out detail and if there was an irrigation system proposed. Mr. Parrish stated that there is not an irrigation system because these are native planting and will draw their water from the stream bank. Mr. Duke stated as for the clean out, it was at a level that the owners could clean out easily with a hose and periodically do a flush of the gutters to ensure leaves and debris are not clogging the gutters.

John Kinnie asked how much more fill would be required to finish the project. Mr. Parrish stated that there would not be any additional fill required.

George Garden stated it appears to be a rocky area to the right of the project and how would they get anything to grow in that area. Mr. Parrish stated they would be working around that area, but in general because these plants are native, they would grow in shallow rock areas.

John Kinnie asked if this request was approved, would they have to return to install the septic system. Floyd Heflin stated that septic systems are allowed within the buffer, and they would not have to return to the Board for approval.

John Kinnie asked about the culvert that was installed and draining directly into the creek. Mario Forgione stated he was not aware of the culvert and Mr. Bucy echoed his statement. Mr. Bucy added he believed it existed and was placed to remove the ponding.

John Kinnie stated that since the Stop Work Order was issued, there has been no effort from the applicant to fix the issues and no silt fencing has been installed. Mr. Bucy stated it was installed but was not maintained.

3.5 Board Action – Brad Hoot made a motion to approve, seconded by George Garden. The motion was approved 4-1, with John Kinnie voting No.

4. **03-26-2025-04 - Rick Salisbury (Salisbury Homes) is requesting a waiver of Section 4 of the Williamson County Storm Water Management Regulations regarding the Waterway Natural Area (WNA) located at 5598 Parker Branch Road.**

4.1 Introduction by Staff – Mr. Forgione reviewed the report stating the applicant is requesting deferral until the April 2025 Meeting.

4.2 Board Action – Davis Lamb made a motion to defer, seconded by Liz McLaurin. The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business Davis Lamb moved for adjournment. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chairman

John P Kline

Date

4-23-2025

