

MINUTES OF THE  
STORM WATER APPEALS BOARD (SWAB)  
MEETING OF MAY 23, 2018

1. **OPENING** – The Storm Water Appeals Board (SWAB) met in session on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Williamson County Administrative Complex. Chairman Dorie Bolze called the meeting to order. A quorum was present. Attendees were:

**1.1 Board Members**

Dorie Bolze, Environmental Representative, Chairman  
John Kinnie, Agricultural Representative, Vice-Chairman  
Brad Hoot, Community Representative, Secretary  
Betsy Hester, County Commission Representative  
Rob Adams, Jr., Building Representative

**1.2 Staff**

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

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Dorie Bolze opened the floor for comments on the January 24, 2018 minutes. Dorie Bolze noted a correction on the last page to change Legislator to Legislature. Brad Hoot made a motion to approve as corrected; seconded by John Kinnie. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. **05-23-18-02 – Waiver by Peter Romano, Chazen Engineering for property located at 5595 Pinewood Road.**

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

**3.2 Appellant Case** – Peter Romano, Chazen Engineering represented the applicant. He stated they are seeking a waiver for the crossing approach and will be utilizing an existing logging road.

**3.3 Public Hearing** – Ann Braun stated she was not opposed to this request, however, wanted to be sure that with all the previous problems from this site that the applicant made sure to keep any silt and runoff out of the stream.

Betsy Hester asked what the area looked like in the 2010 flood. Ms. Braun stated the area was badly flooded. Brad Hoot asked if the erosion was from the stream or from the clearing of the area. Ms. Braun stated there is erosion at the approach site.

No other comments, Dorie Bolze closed the public hearing.

**3.4 Board Discussion** – Brad Hoot asked if the limitations to this waiver were only to the area of approach. Mr. Romano stated that was correct. Brad Hoot also asked how this would improve water quality. Mr. Romano stated he felt that in order to minimize the impact they are keeping as many mature trees as possible to keep the stream shaded.

Dorie Bolze asked the applicant if they had applied for an ARAP permit yet. Mr. Romano stated they had not, because they wanted to get this approval first and then start with the State approval.

Dorie Bolze stated that the location of the entrance is ultimately up to TDOT and could change at their review stage. Rob Adams asked if TDOT denied this location entrance, what happens to the approval, if granted, from the Board. Staff stated if any alterations were made to the plan submitted, it would have to return to this Board for re-approval and the previous submittal would be void.

Mr. Scott stated that the previous owner did do a large amount of clearing to the property and that they did file for approval to log the property. He also added that at the time there was significant runoff into the stream and a fine was issued to the previous owners.

Betsy Hester asked about the reference on the plans to construction of Willow Creek Lake. Mr. Romano stated that any disturbance over 1 acre requires submittal to TDEC and that is what it is referencing.

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

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Scott stated the County will be mailing out Storm Water mailers to the community as required by the MS4 permit.

Mr. Scott also stated the revision to the SWAB regulations are on hold, because the appeals of the general permit are still under appeal at the State level. Also, Mrs. Ransom stated the Board could move forward with the approval of the Revisions to the Regulations, however, with all the new County Commissioners that will be appointed in September, it may be appropriate to hold off on the approval in order to make sure the County's and the State's regulations line up.

Dorie Bolze asked when SWAB meeting information will be available for review online. Mr. Heflin stated we are currently using an online system for applicants and if a request is made, an individual can be invited to view a project. Dorie Bolze asked if there could be an informational point or link made on the website to address this.

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

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Chairman

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