

MINUTES OF THE  
STORM WATER APPEALS BOARD (SWAB)  
MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2009

1. **OPENING** – The Storm Water Appeals Board (SWAB) met in session on Wednesday, March 25, 2009 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**

- John Minton, Homebuilders Representative,
    - Brad Hoot, Community Representative, Secretary
    - Rick Schuff, Engineering Representative, Chairman
    - Dan Crunk, Development Representative
    - Dorie Bolze, Environmental Representative, Vice Chairman
    - Cheryl Wilson, County Commissioner

- 1.2 **Staff**

- Floyd Heflin, County Engineer
    - Michael Scott, Storm Water Quality Coordinator
    - Debbie Smith, Administrative Assistant
    - Kristi Earwood, Attorney for the SWAB

- 1.3 **Representative for Appeals**

- Ron Rigsby, Home Owner
    - Corbin Caruthers, RLS

2. **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES** – Mr. Schuff opened the floor for comments on the December minutes.

Dan Crunk moved for approval of the December minutes, seconded by Brad Hoot. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. **03-25-09-01 - Appeal for Ron Rigsby, 7353 Valley Road.**

- 3.1 **Introduction by Staff** – Mr. Scott reviewed the Staff report for the record. (See file)

- 3.2 **Appellant Case** – Mr. Rigsby indicated to staff that he purchased the property for the purpose of his primary residence. He has not added anything to the footprint of the home, except a 6 x 10 slab to the side of the home and proposes to build a garage with breezeway. He also indicated to the Board that he had submitted to them, two affidavits from the previous owners stating the footprint of the home has not been altered.

**3.3 Public Hearing** – There were no comments.

**3.4 Board Discussion** – Dan Crunk asked Mr. Rigsby if it would be possible to move the garage back in order to meet a minimum of 25' from the top of bank. Mr. Heflin indicated he wasn't sure what the setback limitations are for the garage, but it did appear it could be moved to meet what was asked by this Board.

Ms. Earwood indicated the Board of Health's approval was based upon this septic system being an experimental system that would require more treatment to the effluent than a typical system and would lessen the potential harm to the stream.

Brad Hoot asked for clarification on what waivers were being sought. Ms. Earwood indicated there are three (3). The first being for the garage/breezeway, second being the septic fields and the third being for the existing structure and decks.

Ms. Earwood suggested that since Mr. Rigsby is going through this process, even though the structure is existing, it should still be considered as part of this waiver request for future records.

Brad Hoot asked how the water drained across this property. Mr. Rigsby indicated the water comes from the road, crossing his property and into the stream. There is a ditch on the other side of the road that drains farther down stream.

**3.5 Board Action** – Dan Crunk moved to approve the waiver on the location of garage with breezeway with the condition that the applicant try and move it to a location of a minimum of 25' from the top of bank if approvals can be obtained by all Boards and to grant waiver on the existing structure and septic area since it meets all requirements of the regulations, seconded by Cheryl Wilson. The motion failed.

Dorie Bolze moved to grant the waiver on the septic area and the existing structure and to grant the waiver on the garage and breezeway with the condition that it is moved a minimum of 25' from the top of bank as long as this does not violate other code requirements or ordinance, seconded by Cheryl Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved.

**4. 03-25-09-02 – Appeal for Jerry Argo, 6641 Arno Road.**

**4.1 Introduction by Staff** - Mr. Scott reviewed the staff report for the record. (See File)

**4.2 Appellant Case** – Corbin Caruthers, RLS and representative for the owner Jerry Argo, indicated this plat of subdivision began in August 2008 with a simple boundary survey that has evolved into the approval for the location of the driveway. He has met with Eddie Hood and Randy Hickman on site and found that the existing location of the driveway would not meet requirements and was suggested it be moved to the location as shown on the plat. Mr. Caruthers stated that due to the regulations on the septic system and curtain drain area, the driveway cannot be moved any farther away from the creek or it will not meet those requirements.

**4.3 Public Hearing** – No comments were made.

**4.4 Board Discussion** – Rick Schuff asked about locating the driveway on the west side of the property. Mr. Caruthers indicated there is a large amount of outcropping rock and it's not feasible to locate it there.

Dorie Bolze asked about the regulations for driveway locations. Mr. Schuff stated that there are liability concerns that dictate the site distance and distance from intersections.

Dorie Bolze asked about the minimum distance of the driveway to the top of the bank. Mr. Caruthers indicated it is approximately 8 feet at its closest point.

**4.5 Board Action** – Dan Crunk moved to approve the waiver for the driveway location as submitted with the stipulation that the drive be constructed with a hard surface and not gravel and the discharge of the curtain drain directly into the stream, motion was seconded by Dorie Bolze.

John Minton moved to amend that motion by adding that the driveway can only be 10' wide, motion was seconded by Dan Crunk. The amendment was unanimously approved.

The original motion as amended was unanimously approved.

**5. Election of Officers** – Brad Hoot made a motion re-elect current officers. Rick Schuff, Chairman, Dorie Bolze, Vice-Chairman, Brad Hoot, Secretary, seconded by Dan Crunk. The motion was unanimously approved.

**6. Other Business** – Floyd Heflin stated that it has been approved for the Board members to purchase shirts from Embroid Me with the County Seal and must have Storm Water Appeals Board under the seal and if they have any questions, please contact Debbie.

Rick Schuff asked about changing the requirements for a quorum. The Board discussed, but was not interested in changing the bylaws at this time.

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

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Chairman