

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

**Public Hearing
September 5, 2017**

Vice-Chairperson Lee called a public hearing of the Board of Supervisors to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the salute to the flag. Supervisor Welka was present, as were, Solicitor Sennett, Zoning Officer Miller, Engineer Jonas, Secretary Yeast, and two interested persons. Supervisor Agostine was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Engineer Jonas explained that the purpose of this public hearing is to provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the Summit Township MS-4 Program Pollution Reduction Plans for the (2) watersheds determined to be impaired by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

PURPOSE OF
HEARING:
MS-4 Pollution
Reduction Plans

Engineer Jonas explained the plan for an unnamed tributary of LeBoeuf Creek to reduce Phosphorous concentrations consists of the construction of a rain garden in the Summit Township Community Park. Maps, calculations, supporting documentation, and budgetary costs were reviewed.

LEBOEUF CREEK
PRP

Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, questioned where the phosphorous deposits are coming from. Engineer Jonas responded that formulas are provided based off scientific data collected in the Chesapeake Bay Water Shed.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Chojnacki asked what would happen if the Township refused to spend the funds to correct these impaired watersheds. Engineer Jonas responded that penalties could be imposed, and State Funding could be lost. Engineer Jonas added that the rain garden design will provide a dual purpose by drying the baseball field, and catching run-off from Community Park.

The Walnut Creek Plan proposes to renovate and retrofit two detention basins, on properties on Peach Street, to reduce the sediment discharge into the watershed. Maps, calculations, supporting documentation, and budgetary costs were reviewed.

WALNUT CREEK
PRP

Jim Chojnacki, 9481 Old French Road, noted that the detention basins referenced in the plan are on private property. Engineer Jonas responded that the Township will have to negotiate and make agreement with the property owners. Mr. Chojnacki also asked if all municipalities are required to comply with these requirements. Engineer Jonas responded that it is only in municipalities in urbanized areas that are based on a specific population density.

PUBLIC INPUT

With no further input from the public, motion by Welka, seconded by Lee, to close the hearing at 6:24 p.m.
Vote: 3/0

HEARING CLOSED

Respectfully submitted,

Christene S. Yeast
Recording Secretary
9/7/2017