

Jackson Trails

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Dear Mr. Riccardi and fellow members of the Jackson Township Planning Board,

I regret that I will most likely be able to attend this evenings meeting due to a previously scheduled medical procedure.

With that understanding, I am deeply concerned that the applicant for Jackson Trails has repositioned the project on the agenda, having not kept their commitment to the Environmental Commision. The applicant, specifically Mr. Borden is due to respond to the EC at it's next meeting, which would have afforded ample time for the EC to respond to the Planning Board with it's finding's and recommendations. This maneuver, thwarts that process.

I will remind the Planning Board that the EC has taken issue with Mr. Borden's credentials, and has yet to find any evidence that he or his firm has traversed the property to perform the required inspections to develop a comprehensive and realistic Environmental Impact Statement.

We have reason to distrust his oral statements based on inconsistent testimony on previous projects.

Further, I have become personally aware that on or about September 4th, 2019 and continuing through the Labor Day weekend, there was significant work being performed on the property, where there were no less than 3 30CY dumpsters of material being removed.

It was also apparent that a remediation contractor was performing work on site. None of which was stated in oral testimony and within the Environmental Impact Statement provided.

And now, it has come to our attention that heavy construction equipment has been active onsite, which is and continues to disrupt local wildlife and vegetation, potentially negating the ability to verify species which are threatened and endangered.

It would appear that the applicant has not been entirely truthful, forthcoming and reasonably compliant in the "due process" of procuring the required approvals by altering the site, thereby negating any reasonable effort to make an accurate determination of the existence of protected and threatened species.

It is the recommendation of the Environmental Commision, based on the above identified concerns that this application does not move forward without the appropriate responses to

the EC, and a explanation as to why work has started, stop work orders issued by the Building Official, and no response provided to our request at the applicants last appearance before the Planning Board.

The applicant is due a fair process, however in this case, the applicant is clearly not playing by the rules.

This is not in the best interests of Jackson Township, fair and equal due process to this applicant and future applicants.

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