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Kelley-

Can you please be sure this gets saved to all appropriate files as the Board will be looking for it.

Thank you,
Shawna

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Good morning,

Correspondence from Chris Jensen in his MS4 Program Coordinator hat, related to the stormwater management facilities proposed for Sunset Ridge.

Kelley- Can you please put this on the M drive and back office. Thanks!

SB

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Please distribute and make part of the record.

Planning Board,

I am writing this letter as the MS4 Program Coordinator.

Part of the role of the MS4 program coordinator is to maintain a database of the various stormwater management facilities located throughout the Town. Every facility is inspected once every 36 months at a minimum. Currently we have over 70 facilities in our database.

Many of the stormwater facilities are located within subdivisions or on commercial parcels, where there exists an Owner or Association which is responsible for the maintenance of the infrastructure. Prior to closing out a subdivision, commercial project, and/or DEC permit, the owner/HOA is required to sign a Stormwater Facility Maintenance Agreement and file it with the Town and County. These agreements spell out that the owner/HOA is responsible to maintain and bear the cost of maintaining the stormwater infrastructure.

After a period of time, stormwater facilities require cleaning. Often the cost of cleaning these facilities can be upwards of \$15,000-\$20,000. The ponds are drained and the sediment is removed with specialized equipment. The sediment is then trucked off site and often requires special treatment before it can be used as fill. Then the site needs to be repaired and vegetation established.

I would advise against permitting a stormwater management facility to be located on a private parcel and the responsibility of the maintenance be placed on a private individual. If you place a facility on a private parcel, the owner often does not see the pond as an engineered system, but as a landscape feature. The owners often do not maintain the riparian area along the pond edge, and remove the beneficial parts of the engineered system. If the owner does not maintain the systems, the Town is then burdened with the requirement to initiate violation procedures against a private landowner.

Placing the burden on the Town to maintain the system is also not ideal or a desired path. Since the creation of the MS4 program, the Town has not taken ownership or responsibility for the maintenance of additional stormwater facilities located within residential developments.

I would encourage the ponds and other infrastructure to be placed on independent parcels and owned/maintained by an HOA.

Thank you for listening,
Chris

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