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Agenda Item : Discussion/Decision: Recommendation on Approval, Approval with Conditions, or Denial of Subdivision Application for Burnt Fork Estates

Comment:

The first thing I notice is "that we will not be able to engage in a question and answer during the meeting". So exactly how does this qualify as a public hearing/meeting? That is the premise of hearings! Our voices need to be heard and our opinions considered. This format makes it too easy for our opinions to be ignored.

EVERYTHING about Burnt Fork Estates looks so wrong and contrary to the lifestyle of Stevensville residents from the traffic safety issues, water and sewer system capacities, road maintenance issues, fire protection issues, and property value issues (especially with the new findings from DNRC). I feel that not assuring a way for truly public meetings is the Mayor and Councils way of making any and all decisions without any input that may be contrary to what THEY want, not what is best for Stevensville. I can't see that public opinion has been properly addressed by the projects that have been recently approved. In 17 years no one has addressed the water right issue! Someone has to have been aware of the issue that obviously hasn't been addressed and the Town just hoped no one would ever discover. Creekside Meadows Phase 2 has multitude of problems since initial development; sections of pavement collapsed, traffic cones over metal caps protruding above pavement levels and sewer st

ubs nine feet down UNDER the sidewalks. Many of us in Phase 2 experienced significant expense to even get our homes connected. (eg: excavation, fill, sidewalk replacement) Are we supposed to trust the same planner on a much larger project? And just what problems will that create for the citizens of Stevensville? A thorough examination of ALL aspects of the subdivision needs to be done before a decision is even considered!