MERCER COUNTY PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

BRICK FARM PROPERTIES, LLC SITE-SPECIFIC WQMP AMENDMENT VOTE PROCEEDING

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5		5	640 South Broad Street	
6		6	Trenton, NJ 08650	
7	9:25 a.m.	7	For the Mercer County Plann	ing Board.
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	ALSO PRESENT:	11		
	MATTHEW ZOCHOWSKI, Planning Board Secretary and	12		
13	Senior Planner	13		
	LESLIE R. FLOYD, Planning Director	14		
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1	November 9th, 2022, Mercer County Planning Board	2	All in favor.
1	meeting.	3	(The Board members vote unanimously
4	Mr. Secretary, are we adequately		in favor of the motion.)
1 .	noticed?	5	CHAIRMAN SHINE: At this time we'll
6			take public comment for any existing Planning
7	Chairman.	1	Board matter.
8		8	MS. FLOYD: I do not see any hands
I -	notice of this meeting was sent to the Trenton	9	up, Mr. Chair.
1	Times on October 19th, 2022, it was posted in	10	We have a few people who might be
11		11	with applications. We have some Staff. We have
	22nd, 2022, and was published in The Trenton		a few people on the sewer service amendment.
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14		14	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Okay. Thank you.
15	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Thank you.	1	If you're here for a land
16	May we have a roll call, please? MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Sure.		development matter, if you could please indicate
17	Chairman Shine.		so in the chat, and we'll get to you very
18		18	shortly.
ı	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Here,		May we have an update on thewe're
19	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Vice Chair Agress.		moving to Old Business. May we have an update
20	VICE CHAIRMAN AGRESS: Here.		on OTR East Windsor, please.
21	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Commissioner	21	MS. FLOYD: Go ahead, Bob.
	McLaughlin.	22	MR. RIDOLFI: I was going to say,
23	COMMISSIONER McLAUGHLIN: Here.	L.	Matthew, did you just send an email out on this
24	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Samuel Rubino.		with an update?
25	(No response.)	25	I don't mean to
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Page 9 Page 11 1 when the whole matter has gone away. 1 treatment facility, their sewer service area by 2 MR. RIDOLFI: Sure. 2 .3 acres to serve the existing 135 seat 3 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Thank you. 3 restaurant, with 1,500 square feet of office 4 MR. RIDOLFI: Well, they still have 4 space and a brewery, with three employees, 5 several outstanding conditions of our previous 5 located in block 14, lot 15.01 in Hopewell 6 approval that they haven't--with which they have 6 Township. 7 not yet complied. That's something we should 7 The project will generate a 8 follow up on. 8 projected flow of just over 4,500 gallons per 9 I think, Matt, you're probably 9 day, based on the DEP calculations. The public 10 going to be the top gun on this one. 10 hearing was held in July. Hopewell Borough has 11 MS. FLOYD: And he has. 11 requested more information before deciding 12 MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Yes. 12 whether or not to issue a resolution. 13 MS. FLOYD: Matt has been staying 13 The Planning Board convened a 14 on top of it. 14 meeting of all entities in September, which was 15 MR. RIDOLFI: Good. Okay. 15 very productive. After that, the Borough did 16 MR. ZOCHOWSKI: And I'll let 16 adopt a resolution on November 3rd, which we 17 everyone know once we get the--17 forwarded to the Planning Board, and we have 18 MR. RIDOLFI: And they still 18 slides that we can look at after this, and if it 19 haven't brought that cross access easement all 19 opens any questions that the Planning Board has 20 the way to the property line, have they? 20 on the voting on this matter. 21 MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Not yet, not at 21 MS. FLOYD: Drew provided a--Drew 22 this time. 22 and I provided a Staff memo to you. I hope you 23 MR. RIDOLFI: It's frustrating. 23 had the opportunity to look at it. It 24 MR. ZOCHOWSKI: They may be working 24 summarized some of the concerns. This is an unusual sewer service 25 with an adjacent property owner, Heritage, just Page 10 Page 12 1 to get a single contractor and a single, you 1 hearing for us, or sewer service vote for us, 2 know, bid package out for somebody to take the 2 because I can't think of a single instance where 3 working--3 we had two towns taking completely contrary 4 MR. RIDOLFI: That shouldn't affect 4 points of view on a sewer service amendment. 5 5 the drafting of the plan showing the easement in Hopewell Borough, as you saw in 6 the correct location. 6 their resolution, opposes, in part, because they 7 MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Uh-huh. 7 want to preserve that capacity for redevelopment 8 8 areas and other development in the Borough. MR. RIDOLFI: Anyway, all right. 9 At least the appeal is over. 9 Hopewell Township supports. And CHAIRMAN SHINE: Very good. Thank 10 10 the Sewage Authority also opposes, in part, and 11 you. All right. 11 Drew can elaborate, but, in part, because 12 Hopewell Borough is the member agency, not 12 With respect to the Brick Farm 13 Properties, LLC sewer service amendment, Drew. 13 Hopewell Township. 14 Drew, did I get that--is that 14 do you have any comments? 15 15 completely accurate? I know that the applicant is here. 16 16 MR. LLOYD: Yes, sir. And I MR. LLOYD: Yes, I believe so. The 17 believe Stony Brook may be on the line as well, 17 Sewer Authority did also mention in their 18 the regional Sewer Authority. 18 nonconsent resolution concern with the quality 19 MS, FLOYD: They are. 19 of the discharge, since it's a restaurant, with 20 MR. LLOYD: So, this is the first 20 fat, oils, and grease. 21 amendment to the Mercer County Water Quality 21 We did talk about that at our 22 meeting, if the Planning Board wants to hear 22 Management Plan, Brick Farm Properties, LLC. 23 We had this hearing in July at the 23 more about that, but that was an item that they 24 Planning Board hearing. The amendment would 24 mentioned in that wish list.

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25 expand the Stony Brook Sewage Authority Hopewell

MS. FLOYD: Thank you for that.

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1 I will remind the Planning Board 2 that we are the -- the Planning Board is the 3 designated agency for wastewater planning in 4 Mercer County, that approval of this amendment 5 does not guarantee a connection. It just 6 changes the sewer service area to allow the 7 property owner at a later date to request a 8 connection, at which point all of those capacity 9 issues would need to be addressed.

Drew also did some analysis about 10 11 the concern that this would open up many more 12 properties to enter the sewer service area that 13 are outside the Borough, and I believe, Drew. 14 you identified that only as many as four other 15 properties that might be in a similar 16 situation.

17 MR. LLOYD: Right. The criteria 18 being pretty narrow, being along the gravity 19 lines such as this property in question as well 20 as another one just to the west of here, which 21 is coming before the Planning Board in a future 22 hearing, which is a smaller amendment, 23 residential, 300 gallons per day. But that 24 would be one of the other roughly four, at the

25 most, properties that would be in a similar

3 Sewage Authority is on the line, that's not what 4 the Sewage Authority said. In fact, in our 5 meeting of the group, what they said is about a 6 third of their capacity is being taken out over 7 influent infiltration, and if those issues were addressed, they would have sufficient capacity. 9 So, I don't believe--and, Drew, 10 again, please correct me--I don't believe the capacity was the sewage Authority's concern, or 12 prime concern. 13 MR. LLOYD: That is my statement as 14 well, that the Sewer Authority mentioned some 15 minor upgrades that they were in the process of 16 undertaking at the moment, as well as other ones 17 that they had potentially in the works in the 18 future to handle high flows, and that these 19 would not represent the kind of upgrade that we 20 saw in the Pennington plant, where it was a 21 mirror image, but more along the lines of minor

MS. FLOYD: --that's not--and,

2 Drew, again, correct me if I'm wrong, and the

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1 situation, potential, in the future and would 2 have to go through this process. MS. FLOYD: So, I don't have a 3 4 staff recommendation for you. I wanted the 5 Planning Board to have a conversation based on 6 Drew's summary of the facts and my brief summary 7 that I just provided. MR. MUZAFFAR: Mr. Chairman, can I, 8 9 if you would allow me.

10 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Sure.

11 MR. MUZAFFAR: So, I happen to wear 12 a couple of hats, and one of them is I am the 13 Ewing representative for ELSA, and being on that 14 Board gives me a very unique perspective as to 15 the capacity issues, and I feel for them,

16 because they cannot just simply keep adding 17 more, more beyond their capacity. 18 And, you know, so if the--if the 19 Sewer Authority is opposed to it and they feel 20 that they don't have the capacity, it is going 21 to pose an undue burden on them to put millions 22 of dollars into making more capacity because of 23 these other businesses. They can--24 MS. FLOYD: Sonny--

25 MR. MUZAFFAR: Yes, ma'am.

2 currently doing or could do in the future could 3 account for the roughly, by the DEP, it's 4,500 gallons, but as came out during our meeting, 5 it's probably more like 2,500, based on the water--the actual water usage that's coming through the restaurant, 2,500 gallons per day. MR. MUZAFFAR: That's a pretty big discrepancy. That's almost 50 percent less or 10 more, however you want to--MS. FLOYD: Right. 11 12 MR. LLOYD: Yes. 13 MS. FLOYD: Yes. MR. LLOYD: The DEP calculations 14

22 upgrades, along with any I & I reductions, 23 which, you know, if this amendment--if this

25 future, it's the hopes being that the I & I

24 property ever did request a connection in the

1 reduction and any smaller upgrades that they are

15 are very conservative, and they also are used 16 for their restaurant--their kind of template 17 restaurant they use is not quite the same as 18 Brick Farm. There's a lot more turnover at a 19 regular kind of more urban restaurant, and they 20 serve more meals than the tavern does.

21 So, those were the reasons that 22 came out in the meeting. That's why the number 23 is to be so much higher based on the--as you 24 know, also, as an engineer, bridges can hold 10 25 tons, but they can really hold 15. So there's

Page 17 Page 19 1 always that conservative nature in it. There is--the existing septic 2 system is still in effect, which will continue 2 MR. MUZAFFAR: Leslie, when you 3 introduced the project, you said that the 3 to be pumped out and maintained as a working 4 Borough and the Sewer Authority are opposed to 4 septic. If future climate reasons and water 5 it? 5 table issues made it such that there was no MS. FLOYD: That is true. And we 6 6 other alternative but to connect, that's what 7 this would allow them to entertain in the 7 provided you with all of the resolutions and 8 materials that were provided by the commenting 8 future. 9 9 agencies. But there may not ever be any need 10 10 for this property to apply for a treatment works 11 I'm sorry, Mr. Chair. I jumped 11 approval. This is really, as we've seen, it has 12 ahead. 12 taken us about two years to get to this point. 13 So, this would be basically a way to allow that 13 CHAIRMAN SHINE: No, no. Feel 14 conversation to have been, you know, more 14 free. I'm actually jumping back and--15 VICE CHAIRMAN AGRESS: Through the 15 readily than waiting another two years, if there 16 were to be another public health or water 16 Chair, of course. 17 I read all this and found it a 17 quality issue on site. 18 18 little confusing, I admit. MS. FLOYD: This was described to 19 And my question is, does Hopewell 19 us as more of a risk management strategy. This 20 explain what they need the future capacity for, 20 means that should they need to connect in the 21 Hopewell Borough? 21 future, they won't have to go through a two-year 22 process to initiate, or to request the ability 22 MS. FLOYD: I don't think it's up 23 to us to try and defend their position, but in 23 to connect should they have, as Drew said, a 24 our group meeting they talked about the fact 24 public health emergency again in the future. 25 that they've got redevelopment areas and COAH 25 (Pause.) Page 20 1 obligations that they are reserving the capacity 1 CHAIRMAN SHINE: I'm sorry for the 2 for. 2 silence. 3 Drew, is that fair? 3 MS. FLOYD: Okay. 4 4 CHAIRMAN SHINE: I'm just--I pulled MR. LLOYD: Yup. 5 VICE CHAIRMAN AGRESS: Well, then, 5 up the memo, and I'm just rereading it. 6 MR. RIDOLFI: Do we want to hear 6 my question is kind of to Bob. 7 Does the need for meeting your COAH 7 from the applicants or--8 responsibility outweigh the need to add a CHAIRMAN SHINE: Drew, can you 9 restaurant? 9 describe for me the--you say that this 10 MS. FLOYD: Again, this does not 10 distillery is not connected to the sanitary 11 guarantee connection, just to be clear. 11 flow, now or in the future, or both? 12 Go ahead, Bob. 12 MR. LLOYD: Well, I can only speak 13 13 to now, and any--there are no plans to connect MR. RIDOLFI: That's really not for 14 us to decide at this point. And if there are no 14 to the sewer. 15 other applications in front of us, I think we 15 If you--I would defer to Mr. 16 need to focus just on this particular 16 McConaughy if you are willing to hear from him. 17 application as it stands. 17 But my recollection is that the sewer has its 18 There may not be any additional 18 own capture of process water that either gets 19 applications for, say, affordable housing or 19 taken off site through a mobile application of 20 otherwise, but we can't be concerned with that 20 basically a truck that takes it away or it 21 now because it's not before us. 21 might--somebody might be using irrigation. I 22 22 don't think the irrigation--I don't think that MR. LLOYD: I would add just one 23 part is true. But it is not connected, nor is 23 more item that might be helpful, is that this 24 property may not ever need to request an actual 24 it planned to be connected, to the flow into the 25 physical connection. 25 current septic or any future... But it's

Page 23 Page 21 1 something that definitely would need to be part 1 development on the property because they're 2 of a treatment works approval, if that ever came 2 currently maxed out. 3 3 to that application. So, I'm struggling here. 4 I'd like to hear from Mr. 4 CHAIRMAN SHINE: All right. So, 5 then, would you say the concern--I mean, you 5 McConaughy, if he has anything to add, and then 6 if the Sewer Authority wants to add something, 6 brought up the discrepancy in the flow of, as 7 Sonny said, you know, close to a 50 percent 7 also. 8 discrepancy. 8 MR. LLOYD: Just real quick before 9 9 that side, just to characterize my statement, So would you say, then, that the 10 concern really revolves around c, quality of 10 I'm not saying that I've done any water quality 11 discharge? 11 testing of the discharge. 12 CHAIRMAN SHINE: I know you're 12 MR. LLOYD: I mean, that is an item 13 that was raised by the Sewer Authority. I don't 13 not. I wasn't trying to--14 know of any other restaurant that has this sort 14 MS. FLOYD: Okay. Well, we have 15 of pretreatment in place where this one is being 15 Robin McConaughy, I don't know if it's Robin or 16 Jon, but you should be able to unmute. 16 pumped out, you know, as a working septic, and 17 the quality of the discharge, during our meeting 17 MR. McCONAUGHY: Okay. Can you 18 hear me? 18 we did raise the opportunity for, you know, for 19 that to be tested by the Sewer Authority if they 19 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Yes. 20 20 really wanted to know the quality of the MS, FLOYD: Yes, sir. 21 discharge. 21 MR. RIDOLFI: Yes. 22 22 MR. McCONAUGHY: Yeah, it is Jon But it's really, I would say, 23 without being an engineer, that this discharge 23 I'm using my wife's computer. 24 24 with the pretreatment in place would contain CHAIRMAN SHINE: We won't tell 25 less oils and grease than any restaurant that 25 her. Page 22 Page 24 1 has just a direct connection. It's known as the MR. McCONAUGHY: I think Mr. Lloyd 1 2 normal grease trap removal every quarter that 2 summed it up, and Leslie summed it up pretty 3 every restaurant has to comply. 3 well, that this initially was kicked off because 4 we had a clog in the top of the leach field and 4 CHAIRMAN SHINE: So, just from less 5 of an engineer's perspective than you've 5 it started to break out, and so we started down 6 presented, you have raised four concerns, all 6 the path of remediating and fixing the leach 7 right, site specific considerations. A, the 7 field and the connection at this point. 8 distillery. Well, it's not connected, so it 8 A part of that had to do with the 9 doesn't account for the outflow. But it is 9 service company that was servicing the septic 10 counted in the gallons per day. 10 was not doing what they said they were doing. 11 MR. LLOYD: No, sir. That's not 11 And so there are all sorts of checks and 12 counted as--12 balances in place to make sure that that doesn't 13 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Oh, it's not? 13 happen again. But this process has been very 14 MR. LLOYD: That's not part of the 14 long and arduous, so it may be that we never 15 hook up. 15 DEP calculation. 16 16 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Okay. All right. And the thing that makes this a 17 So, I'm not concerned about A. 17 little bit unique is the Borough does not own 18 The discrepancy with B. 18 the sewer treatment plant, but they are a C is the quality of the discharge, 19 19 member, and Hopewell Township is not a member of 20 which we feel is being accurately remediated and 20 the sewer treatment plant. So, this is also 21 presenting a product, you know, a front to the 21 unique in the aspect that two municipalities are 22 existing septic treatment plant before it goes 22 weighing in, and one of which who's against it 23 into the system that is of an acceptable 23 is not the municipality in which the restaurant

24 resides.

CHAIRMAN SHINE: Duly noted.

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And D, there can't be any future

24 nature.

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Page 27 Page 25 1 1 Drew, I don't understand. This is Anyone else? 2 MR. McCONAUGHY: Yeah. And in 2 a huge discrepancy. MR. LLOYD: Yeah. I mean, as far 3 terms of, just to add to Mr. Lloyd's comments, 4 that the treatment of the grease coming out of 4 as I can tell, I mean, these estimates are not 5 scrutinized to this degree. We never really go 5 the restaurant is to the extent that it needs to 6 go into a leach field, and so that, you know, 6 back and look to see after an amendment is 7 approved, you know, what the actual flow is. 7 it's coming out of--it's discharging at the 8 leach field to the extent that it needs to work 8 But I'll just repeat my point I 9 made earlier, that the sort of typical 9 properly and can't clog the leach field. 10 restaurant that DEP is using is more like a 10 So, in terms of the grease, oils, 11 fast-food type restaurant, where there's a much 11 and fats, I would say that it is probably very 12 clean compared to some of the restaurants that 12 higher turnover, serving food at all hours of 13 don't have that, you know, need a requirement in 13 the day. This is a rural tavern-type restaurant 14 with less turnover and less hours that they're 14 terms of how clean the water is. 15 And, also, to his point about the 15 open. 16 distillery. The distillery will never be hooked 16 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Okay. All right. 17 up, that they capture their wash-down water and 17 Is there anybody else from the 18 public that would like to make a comment on this 18 that is pumped off site, but that number of 19 2,500 gallons of water that's used on a daily 19 application before I call for a vote? 20 basis includes the distillery. 20 (No response.) 21 MS. FLOYD: I do not see any hands, 21 So, even though they're washing 22 washing down with that water and that water is 22 Mr. Chair. 23 going into a product that they're making, that's 23 CHAIRMAN SHINE: I don't either. 24 included in that 2,500 gallons a day. So, the 24 So. I will make a motion that the 25 reality is that number is even smaller in terms 25 sewer service amendment as discussed be Page 26 Page 28 1 of water usage than 2,500 gallons a day that 1 approved. 2 2 makes its way into the septic. COMMISSIONER McLAUGHLIN: I'll MR. LLOYD: Am I accurate to say, 3 second that. 4 Mr. McConaughy, that also some of that is 4 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Thank you, 5 accounted for water being used in irrigation? 5 Commissioner. MR. McCONAUGHY: Correct. That's 6 All in favor. 6 7 also the irrigation system for the site, which 7 COMMISSIONER McLAUGHLIN: Aye. 8 is off of that water as well. 8 MR. BARR: Aye. 9 So, we don't have a flow meter on 9 MS. WILSON: Aye. 10 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Thank you, 10 the output of the system. But when we were 11 repairing the system, we had to pump all the 11 everybody. All right. Moving on. 12 12 tanks down, and so just sort of a, you know, MS. FLOYD: We really appreciate 13 using that as an example. So, we had--all of 13 14 your time on this one. This was more complex 14 our storage tanks were completely empty, and 15 over the weekend, our busiest days, it seemed to 15 than almost any one that I can remember. 16 be about 1,200 or 1,500 gallons a day that were 16 MR. RIDOLFI: Excuse me, Mr. 17 making their way into the tanks. But that is 17 Chairman. Do you want to ask if anyone is 18 very ad hoc. We don't have a meter on the 18 opposed. I couldn't see everybody who voted. 19 outflow. But that's also kind of reflected in 19 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Sure. 20 the months that the irrigation is not going, 20 Is anyone opposed to the motion? 21 that we tend to be around a thousand to 1,500 21 VICE CHAIRMAN AGRESS: Yes, I'm 22 opposed. The Sewer Authority, the sewer 22 gallons a day. 23 CHAIRMAN SHINE: Why are we--well, 23 treatment plant said no. Hopewell says no. I 24 the DEP standards are such that it requires 24 say no. 25 roughly a 600-gallon per day requirement. 25 MR. RIDOLFI: I just wanted the

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1		1	Is that correct?
2	MR. MUZAFFAR: Mr. Chair	2	MS. FLOYD: Yeah. But, Mr. Chair,
3	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Mr. Muzaffar.	3	if I can just elaborate. I know we're in the
4	MR. MUZAFFAR:I am with Bill on	4	middle of a roll call.
5	this one.	5	This Board makes a recommendation
6	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Okay. Thank you.	6	to the county executive, who has to make a
7	MS. WILSON: Can you hear me?	7	recommendation to the DEP commissioner.
8	I oppose as well. I follow Bill's	8	So, this Board has to say, Yes, we
9	sentiment.	9	approve this amendment, or, No, we do not, and
10	MS. FLOYD: So, Mr. Chair, we may	10	that goes to the county executive, who then
11	have a tie vote.	11	sends our recommendation to the DEP
12	CHAIRMAN SHINE: I believe we do.	12	commissioner. We're advisory to the county
13	MS. FLOYD: I think we have to	13	executive on this.
14	goI think we have to do a	14	MR. RIDOLFI: Correct.
15	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Well, let's poll	15	Does that help, Tai?
16	MS. FLOYD: That's the word I	16	MS. WILSON: It does help.
17	couldn't come up with.	17	And, I'm sorry, I don't ever
18	CHAIRMAN SHINE: My vote is yes.	18	flip-flop, but I'm going to change my no to a
19	MS. FLOYD: Matt, please call the	19	yes with that per the explanation. Thank you
20	roll.	20	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
21	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Okay.	21	MS. FLOYD: No worries.
22	Chairman Shine.	22	MR. RIDOLFI: Well done.
23	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Yes.	23	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Proceed with a roll
24	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Vice Chair Agress.	1	call?
25	VICE CHAIRMAN AGRESS: No.	25	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Yes, please.
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1	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Commissioner	1	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Dallas Barr.
2	•	2	MR. BARR: Yes.
3	COMMISSIONER McLAUGHLIN: Yes.	3	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Basit Muzaffar.
4	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: Samuel Rubino is	4	MR. MUZAFFAR: No.
5		5	MR. ZOCHOWSKI: And Leslie Floyd.
6	Taiwanda Wilson.	6	MS. FLOYD: Yes.
7	MS. WILSON: I don't think I	7	CHAIRMAN SHINE: The motion carries
1	understand.	l .	four to two.
9	Are we saying a yes vote is to move	9	MS. FLOYD: So, again I will thank
1	it forward?		you, because this is more complex than any sewer
11	MS. FLOYD: Yes.		service amendment I can remember, and we will
12	MS. WILSON: And a no vote is	12	bring it to the county executive and explain the
1	agreeing that Hopewell doesn't think that it's a	13	complexity of it and draft a letter with the
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15	MS. FLOYD: Well, remember that	15	CHAIRMAN SHINE: Thank you.
1	there's two different Hopewells. But a no vote	16	(The public hearing concluded at
1	would be agreeing with Hopewell Borough.		9:46 a.m.)
18	MR. LLOYD: There's no real	18	
19	pausing. This is a vote. It's not a	19	
20	MS. WILSON: I'm sorry. Say that	20	
21	again, guys. I'm so	21	
22	MR. LLOYD: If I may, this is a	22	
1	vote of aye or nay. So, it's not really about	23 24	
Z 4	moving it forward to anotherany other future	1	
25	point. It's really a yes or no vote.	25	I

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