
From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 4:27 PM
To: 'maebechiped'
Subject: RE: Proposed stormwater control fees

Thank you for your input, I will share it with the Board of Supervisors.

Due to COVID-19, the public hearing scheduled for March 25th regarding the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority has been postponed indefinitely.

Thank you,

From: maebechiped [<mailto:maebechiped@verizon.net>]
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 3:58 PM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Proposed stormwater control fees

I wish to address the proposed fees for stormwater control fees for the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority. These fees are unfair to the original landowners in the proposed area as they are not the ones who caused this problem. The Rockingham County and the land developers are the ones who created this problem by continuing to allow the rezoning of land for the homes that caused this issue with no regard to the problems that would be caused by rain runoff. This problem was also caused by the city of Harrisonburg and land developers for allowing the rezoning of that property for the building of the homes at the top of Chestnut Ridge. Boyers Road very rarely flooded before the building of the homes and apartment complex in that area. These proposed fees are going to cause hardship to the elderly who live in this area. My mother-in-law lives on approximately \$12,000 a year and has all ready had to give up her car because she could no longer afford insurance, tags, and taxes on it and I am sure that she is not the only one who has had to make sacrifices in order to stay in their homes. The costs of the proposed upgrades should be passed on to the land developers and the people who are living in the homes that caused this problem not the original residents.

Sincerely,

Glenna Hedrick

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 8:28 AM
To: 'Shirley Hawkins'
Subject: RE: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control

Ms. Hawkins,

Thank you for your input, I will share it with the Board of Supervisors.

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Thank you,

-----Original Message-----

From: Shirley Hawkins [<mailto:shawkins1966@gmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2020 2:53 PM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control

Now is not the time to burden homeowners with such a large fee added on to their tax bill. We don't believe there has been any major flooding for a couple of years. Instead of adding more tax burden to homeowners when they can least afford it, maybe developers should be prevented from selling building lots in flood prone areas, and new building should be prohibited in flood plains. Since there are currently a lot of townhouses under construction in the affected developments, have you taken into consideration the fees that will be collected from these houses? Wouldn't that reduce the amount that is proposed to be charged on everyone else since more money will be coming in when these houses are completed? We would suggest this project be postponed until the current crises is over and we know how much damage has been done to our economy and individuals.

Robert and Shirley Hawkins
Highland Park
Sent from my iPad

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 8:23 AM
To: 'tcp11660@aol.com'
Subject: RE: Stormwater Authority

Thank you for your input, I will share it with the Board of Supervisors.

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Thank you,

From: tcp11660@aol.com [<mailto:tcp11660@aol.com>]
Sent: Saturday, March 21, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Stormwater Authority

Due to COVID-19 I will not be at meeting March 25 2020 .. I understand that the project needs attention. I feel the yearly fee is a bit more than expected.. I am guessing this fee will go on for some years.. I hope that people can afford this fee due to economic times to come...Thank you for listening...Along with my vote opinions matter... T P

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 1:30 PM
To: 'Herb'
Subject: RE: Hearing Lake Shenandoah Storm Water Control Authority

Mr. Marshall.

Thank you for your input, I will share it with the Board of Supervisors.

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Thank you,

From: Herb [<mailto:Herbandjudy@comcast.net>]
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 11:42 AM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Hearing Lake Shenandoah Storm Water Control Authority

To whom it may concern:

In today's climate of job security and the Commonwealth's situation concerning the COVID-19, this should be tabled until the appropriate hearing can be held for ALL parties to be heard at a normal hearing. The format you have proposed does not serve all interested parties. In this financial climate it would be careless to add another tax to the people in this area which are already stressed by today's headlines of Virus, joblessness and uncertainty.

Respectfully,

James Marshall
2408 Spaders Church Road
Rockingham, VA 22801

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Storm Water Authority Questions

1. Would the County consider a moratorium on new residential construction approvals within the boundaries of the Storm Water Authority until flood remediation measures are completed?
2. Who are the County Staff points of contact during the duration of these remediation efforts?
3. Who are the elected officials on the Storm Water Authority serving as the main points of contact during the duration of these remediation efforts?
4. What engineering site work is underway or has been completed? What do the results of these studies tell you to date that could affect costs upward?
5. What is the status of your negotiations for the acquisition of properties and easements? Do you have an anticipated completion date for these negotiations in the next 60 days?
6. How many dollars will be taken from the existing county general revenue on hand account to help fund this project since some of it did come from affected taxpayers within the boundaries of the Storm Water Authority?
7. When do you anticipate hearing of your success in receiving help from federal and state grant funding? Six months? One year?
8. Will the Authority send progress reports out to affected property owners along with their semi-annual tax bill?

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 10:40 AM
To: 'MICHAEL'
Subject: RE: LSSCA

Thanks Mike, you do the same!

From: MICHAEL [<mailto:marsmikemars@comcast.net>]
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 10:38 AM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Re: LSSCA

Thanks Casey
Maybe you could keep that issue on I'm sure a long list of questions that will be asked. We have a two rain barrel set up at our house.
Stay healthy, and thanks again.
Mike
Sent from XFINITY Connect App

----- Original Message -----

From: Casey Armstrong
To: marsmikemars@comcast.net
Sent: March 20, 2020 at 6:18 AM
Subject: LSSCA

Hello Mike, This is a good question. Currently there are no provisions in the authority to address the use of rain barrels, however the Board may elect to include something in the future. Also, the public hearing regarding the authority that was scheduled for next Wednesday the 25th has been postponed indefinitely. Thanks again, Sent from my iPhone

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 1:32 PM
To: 'Michael Weiler'
Subject: RE: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority

Mr. Weiler,

Thank you for your input, I will share it with the Board of Supervisors.

Due to COVID-19, the public hearing scheduled for March 25th regarding the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority has been postponed indefinitely.

Thank you,

From: Michael Weiler [<mailto:mweilerortho@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 1:26 PM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority

Dear Casey,

I would really like to attend the meeting on Wednesday but will most likely not be able to due to the demand for the limited space that will be available. However, I wanted to make my voice heard on this matter. **It is VERY IMPORTANT to me that the current and future developers along the northeast side of Boyers Road who are recontouring the land and contributing greatly to the stormwater problem should bear their fair share of the burden here. I have read that my assessment is based on the square footage of my roof. But what is being done to make sure that the developers (whose projects are contributing more than anything to the runoff) are paying their fair share? I want to know what they are doing to contribute and how their contributions are assessed.**

Thank you so much for making my concerns known to the Board of Supervisors! Can you confirm receipt of this email and assure me that it will be considered?

Thank you!

Michael

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Michael A. Weiler, DMD

weilerorthodontics.com

119-D University Blvd.

Harrisonburg, VA 22801

540.433.3790

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Monday, March 23, 2020 8:26 AM
To: 'Joseph Kudless'; Lisa Perry
Subject: RE: Questions for the Public Hearing on March 25, 2020

Mr. Kudless,

Thank you for your input and questions, I will share this with the Board of Supervisors.

Due to COVID-19, the public hearing scheduled for March 25th regarding the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority has been postponed indefinitely.

Thank you,

From: Joseph Kudless [<mailto:jkudless@gmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, March 22, 2020 2:07 PM
To: Lisa Perry; Casey Armstrong
Subject: Questions for the Public Hearing on March 25, 2020

Here are our comments/questions for the Stormwater Authority hearing. Please make them part of the public record prior to considering the adoption of the resolution. We look forward to receiving responses that evening as we view the meeting electronically.

Thank you.

Joseph and Carol Kudless
1341 Cumberland Drive, Rockingham. Va 22801

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Thanks again,

Sent from my iPhone

From: Tad Williams <taw_1776@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 7:23 AM
To: Casey Armstrong
Cc: Stephen King; Mike Breeden
Subject: Re: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority

Thanks for the update.

From: Casey Armstrong <carmstrong@rockinghamcountyva.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 20, 2020 9:31 AM
To: taw_1776@hotmail.com <taw_1776@hotmail.com>
Cc: Stephen King <sking@rockinghamcountyva.gov>; Mike Breeden <mike.breeden@eabreeden.com>
Subject: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority

Mr. Williams,

The public hearing regarding the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Authority has also been postponed until further notice. That decision was made after the letters were sent out, we apologize for the confusion,

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:37 AM
To: 'Shirley Hawkins'
Cc: Stephen King
Subject: RE: Comments for Lake Shenandoah Watershed Authority Public Hearing

Ms. Hawkins,

Thank you for your input, I will direct your comments to the Board of Supervisors.

I would like to address one question you had up front, the potential funds generated by this authority will NOT be used for any purpose other than dealing with the flooding problems in the Lake Shenandoah drainage area. These funds will NOT be used to pay for an amphitheater or recreation center or any other non-stormwater related capital expenditure.

Thank you,

-----Original Message-----

From: Shirley Hawkins [<mailto:shawkins1966@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 8:57 PM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Comments for Lake Shenandoah Watershed Authority Public Hearing

Please present these comments to our Supervisor and the Board:

We live in Highland Park and are opposed to the proposed excessive fees to be collected from selected homeowners in the county to fund the proposed Lake Shenandoah Water Authority project. If there is a need to correct drainage problems that have resulted from a lack of proper planning during past development, then the fees should be much less, and should be applied countywide. We pay taxes to support many projects that are outside of our immediate area where we live, and if the fees as proposed are adopted and levied on only select properties, then that should apply to all future projects throughout the entire county. If something has to be done in another area of the county, is the county only going to require the residents in that area pay to pay for such projects?

There are still lots for sale in our area that were under water two years ago during the flooding. Why is the county allowing those lots to be sold and built upon if they are flood prone?

Another concern we have is something we have read on at least two occasions in the Daily News Record. There were articles that discussed the budget and proposed CIP projects, specifically an amphitheater and recreation center at the Crossroads Park. It was reported that one of the funding sources could come from "fees collected by the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Authority". The fees haven't even been approved yet and already they are being considered for projects other than stormwater management. What is to prevent these fees from being never ending after the stormwater control project is finished?

People are struggling right now and can not afford to have exorbitant fees added to their tax bills. If a modest stormwater management fee were adopted and applied to all county properties, that would be a fairer way to proceed. That is the way it is done in other jurisdictions and it would not place such a high burden on only select residents. We all pay the same tax rate, whether or not we use the services, and we don't complain about that, but we are opposed to being required to pay for the normal county expenses, and then to pay more because we live in a selected area.



STEPHEN G. KING
County Administrator



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RUNION WAYNE R & HILDA
218 BROADWAY AVE
BROADWAY VA 22815

5/20/20

Dear RUNION WAYNE R & HILDA,

This letter is to update you on the public hearing of the Lake Shenandoah Watershed Authority, which is scheduled for June 10th, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Rockingham County Administration Center at 20 E. Gay St., Harrisonburg, VA. As there may be special provisions in effect, the Board asks that you send written comments in advance of the hearing. Instructions for submitting written comments are below. If you would like an opportunity to speak at the hearing, please contact the Office of the County Administrator at (540)-564-3012 so that a time slot may be reserved for your comments. The meeting will be open to in-person attendance in accordance with meeting size limitations, and will also be available for electronic viewing and participation. Specific details on how to participate electronically will be published on the County website by the date of the meeting. Please see the supplemental information included in this mailing for further details regarding the Stormwater Authority.

If you would like to submit written comments, please send them to:

Rockingham County Administration Center
Attn: Casey Armstrong
20 E. Gay St.
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

Sincerely,

If this is done there every one

Stephen G King should pay their part

Stephen G. King
County Administrator
Chief Administrative Officer and Secretary
Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority

*No way can I pay this
It is easy to spend
someones money!!!*

*These are my
Thoughts and
They should be considered!!!*

20 EAST GAY STREET, HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA 22802
TELEPHONE (540) 564-3027 • FAX (540) 564-3017
Website: rockinghamcountyva.gov

accumulates in the system, causing flooding in low-lying areas where the existing infrastructure is inadequate to handle the total amount of water.

What have developers done to mitigate runoff?

Subdivisions within the Lake Shenandoah drainage area were developed over many years under varying standards pertaining to stormwater management. These developments were designed to meet the regulations at the time they were constructed. Even under older regulations, many of the subdivisions were required to have stormwater detention ponds. Newer developments have designed stormwater management systems to the higher standards that are currently in place.

What are some of the specific improvements being considered?

Several options are currently being considered as infrastructure improvements. One project that looks very cost-effective is a new detention basin on the south side of Taylor Spring Lane. Other strategies being considered are channel improvements in the Highland Park subdivision area and a second detention basin area that would improve conditions from approximately Shen Lake Drive down to Lake Shenandoah. *my run off does not affect*

Why doesn't the County just stop approving development within the watershed boundary?

Just as was the case when your home or business was built, the County has an obligation to respond to the public need and demand. The County has chosen to focus development in areas with available water and sewer, roadways, and other infrastructure; in the County's seven towns; and around the City of Harrisonburg. *any of these present*

Why not make the developers (past or future) pay for the stormwater improvements?

There is no mechanism to make past developers, builders, or owners contribute toward the needed improvements, particularly because past developments met then-current standards. Recent and future developments are being held to current, higher stormwater standards. The costs to meet those standards will be reflected in development costs, purchase prices, and rental prices for homes and businesses in the drainage area. Through the market economics, additional costs to developers ultimately still come back to homeowners and renters. *This would be the thing to do*

Why should those within the Lake Shenandoah watershed boundary bear the costs? Why not cover the expense with countywide tax revenues?

The County's General Fund revenues may be utilized to fund projects and services that benefit the County as a whole. Funding to construct the fire and rescue station on Port Republic Road is an example of such a project. While the station may primarily benefit those in the area, all County residents have the potential to travel in the area, visit the hospital and businesses, and benefit from the station. The station is also part of the provision of emergency services for the entire County, serving as backup to the areas beyond their immediate service area, as needed.

If all County citizens were assessed a tax, all should see some level of benefit. The flooding in most areas of the County does not result from urban stormwater. If it were so, costs would likely be greater per parcel and would extend well beyond the 10-year borrowing proposed for the Authority and may limit how and when the urban flooding from stormwater in the Lake Shenandoah watershed could be addressed.

I think the best thing to do would be to do away with this loan committee. It would save the county & people a lot of money.

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 2:25 PM
To: 'Richard Sedwick'
Subject: RE: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Authority meeting

Thank you Mr. Sedwick, I will pass this information along to the Board of Supervisors. Additionally, the public hearing to discuss the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority has been postponed indefinitely, we will be contacting all affected property owners before rescheduling this hearing.

Thanks,

Casey Armstrong

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Sedwick [<mailto:ren49sedwick@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 1:33 PM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Authority meeting

Please note that we request the exemption of farm buildings/structures used for agricultural purposes from the proposed fee schedule by the board;the latter concern has been previously forwarded to Ms Perry and Mr.King;we will not be attending the 25 March meeting due to the COVID-19 limitations;Thankyou, Richard and Nancy Sedwick

Sent from my iPhone

4270 Brown Roan Lane
Rockingham, VA 22801-8310

June 8, 2020

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

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RE: Stormwater assessment fees for Lake Shenandoah Watershed

Rockingham County and the Lake Shenandoah Watershed Authority
Rockingham County Administrative Center
Attn: Casey Armstrong
20 E. Gay Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to express our strong opposition to the proposed fee assessment for residents of the Lake Shenandoah Watershed Authority.

As residents of the Highland Park sub-division we are very much aware of the need to correct runoff problems that were created by inadequate planning for water drainage as the Rockingham County Board of Supervisors approved new developments.

Inadequate planning by the Board of Supervisors staff created a problem that should be corrected, but **the cost should be shared by all members of Rockingham County**, not by the residents who unknowingly purchased property in a very small portion of Rockingham County that is impacted by Board of Supervisor lack of oversight and incompetence.

Sincerely,



Richard D. Foust, Jr.

Glenda S. Foust



Henry Hawkins

June 4, 2020

Mr. Stephen G. King
Rockingham County Administrator
20 East Gay Street
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22802

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Dear Mr. King,

We, the Trustees of the Loretta Z. Hawkins Revocable Trust, received your letter of May 20, 2020 concerning the June 10, 2020 public hearing of the Lake Shenandoah Watershed Authority (hereafter referred to as LSWA). We also received your two previous letters, both undated, concerning LSWA matters, one of which informed us that "your proposed annual bill will be \$379.40" as our share of funding LSWA.

Since we moved here (1786 Massanetta Springs Road, Rockingham) in 1986 from the City of Harrisonburg, we have witnessed much new residential construction in the area and have been sometimes amazed at what has been perceived as lax erosion control in the Lake Shenandoah watershed. We have been thankful that our home is situated so it does not flood, however, we resent the fact that our annual funding for LSWA may be \$379.40.

We request that a County representative visit our property when we are at home to explain how "the water that flows from your roofs, mowed lawns, and parking areas during rains will make its way into the ditches and pipes designed to carry away the surface runoff".

Sincerely,

Henry E. Hawkins, Loretta Z. Hawkins

Trustees of the Loretta Z. Hawkins Revocable Trust

1786 Massanetta Springs Road, Rockingham, Virginia 22801
(540) 746-1045 hawkinshe@comcast.net

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VIRGINIA

From: Joyce Alderisio

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 4:20 PM

To: [REDACTED] *Rockingham Board of Supervisors*

Subject: Lake Shenandoah Watershed

Gentlemen:

Correct me if I am wrong.

You the Board of Supervisors have created the watershed problem over the years by allowing builders to build everywhere, carte blanc, cutting down trees, leveling lots etc. and destroying the peaceful beauty of the valley.

You continue to allow this building destruction as you look to increase our taxes to mitigate this problem..

You appoint yourselves to the "watershed committee", you decide what tax rate "We the People" have to pay and you will be in charge of how this money is spent.

This is an entire county problem and not just the areas you have singled out.

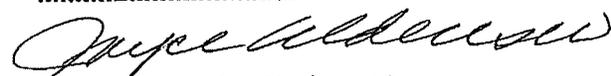
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Maybe it's time to drain the swamp of Rockingham County.

Joyce Alderisio

3377 Preston Shore Drive

Rockingham, VA 22801


Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Casey Armstrong
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:05 AM
To: 'Joseph Kudless'; Lisa Perry
Cc: Stephen King
Subject: RE: Questions for the Public Hearing
Attachments: June 10 Presentation.pptx

Hello Mr. Kudless,

Thank you for your input, I will share your comments with the Board of Supervisors.

At this time we do not have any final designs or schematics to share with the public. We do have an artistic rendering of the type of basin we are envisioning in the presentation for example purposes. This presentation is available on our website and I have attached it for your information.

We have discussed utilizing the remainder of the property not used by the stormwater basin as a community park or arboretum, but those decisions will be up to the Board to decide after the final design is complete.

Let me know if you have any questions,

Thank you,

From: Joseph Kudless [<mailto:jkudless@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:58 AM
To: Casey Armstrong
Subject: Re: Questions for the Public Hearing

Hope you are staying healthy and safe, Casey. My wife and I remain well.

Just wondering if Lisa can provide preliminary schematics at the meeting of where the retention pond(s) will be located? Also can she review the tentative options for a parkland setting for that the property that the Authority will purchase?

Being a resident whose property looks down on this wooded area, I would be happy to see it become a beautiful neighborhood addition. We have no sidewalks along Cumberland Drive and wooded pathways would make a much safer choice for everyone.

Thank you.

Joseph and Carol Kudless
1341 Cumberland Drive

On Mon, Mar 23, 2020 at 10:37 AM Joseph Kudless <jkudless@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks for the prompt follow up, Casey.
Joe

On Mon, Mar 23, 2020 at 8:25 AM Casey Armstrong <carmstrong@rockinghamcountyva.gov> wrote:

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Thank you.

Joseph and Carol Kudless

[1341 Cumberland Drive, Rockingham. Va 22801](#)

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Limit the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority never ending fee.



Terry Lam started this online petition to [Rockingham County VA](#)

Note: For many, there are 2+ eligible voters while only one household member signed the petition on behalf of the household.

Rockingham County is moving forward with a plan to charge the residents of this area a fee for storm water runoff from your property. The fee is to combat flooding in the "Lake Shenandoah (L S) Watershed" in low lying and flood prone areas caused by runoff from your property. Currently the plan is to assess the fees based on estimates of roof and hardscape square footage from county GIS maps. The fees will be an amount per square foot and determined by the County and "L S Stormwater Control Authority" to fund projects to mitigate the flooding in other areas. We didn't build in low lying, flood prone areas, while the county has approved developments and buildings in low lying flood prone areas for years and now want us to pay for fixing the problem.

Not only do they want selected residents to pay for the problem initially, but there is no regulation mentioned or details on the scope and determined length of time for the projects and charges. By being left open, this can quickly become a never-ending Fee/Taxation with potential annual increases on residents for whatever they feel they need more money to address. There needs to be accountability and a responsible end to this. There is mention of ongoing operation and maintenance costs over a 10-year period but no guarantee when it will end or if the fees will end. There is also mention that if the total costs turn out to be lower than expected, the annual fee would be reduced accordingly. There is no mention of ending the fee or bringing any overages before public hearings before raising the fees.

The fee is opposed by many residents based upon the Counties same logic for other projects; that any county resident could and does routinely use the area at any time especially since there is a

public park and lake in the heart of the area. Any projects therefore to fix issues as described by the County and L S Stormwater Control Authority could and should arguably be funded by the general fund.

Fellow neighbors and friends, the time to act is now. Please send them your feedback and attend the upcoming meeting on June 10. Additionally, we are asking for signatures in opposition of Rockingham County and L S Stormwater Control Authority with respect to the below actions.

If fee assessments do pass despite many opposed, we, below are signing this petition asking for the following:

1. To ensure a detailed definition and limit the projects needed and cost to do those. If new development approvals have responsible watershed standards, then the problem and solution should be finite in nature and any fees also assessed finite with an end date with no increases during the project timeline without further public hearings.
2. Determine a reasonable definitive end to the fee and cap any overages until fully vetted in public hearings.
3. Provide detailed accounting of where the money is spent and utilized readily accessible to the residents at reasonable intervals defined as Monthly, Quarterly and Annually to ensure the funds are used appropriately for their intended purpose.
4. Sunset or END the fee permanently at completion of defined projects and scope.

We need everyone together to control the situation and hold our local government accountable.

Comments from People signing the Petition:

Name	Commented Date	Comment
Terry Lam	5/28/2020	"I agree to limit the authority and duration of the fee." "Storm water runoff into Lake Shenandoah is not from the roofs of homes in our area! No home has ditches into storm drains. Rather, water is absorbed into the ground. Where is the engineering study that proves (with facts) that roof runoff causes the lake to fill up with dirt?Furthermore, where is the detailed US/State Government proposal detailing the cost, revenue stream, and a schedule/plan for completion? This proposal should be submitted to the government for funding. This project as proposed is a never-ending government bureaucracy!My suggestion is to drain the upper part of the lake, fill it in and plant grass. This would result in little or no maintenance and no cost to
Richard Barnhart	5/29/2020	homeowners." "I support proper controls and accountability for the Lake Shenandoah Stormwater Control Authority. Seem like we need this authority because the Rockingham County Board did not establish proper
David Lawrence	5/30/2020	building codes for past development ."
Jengo-Waluye Lydia	5/30/2020	"Ljw" "There is no commitment to an end, and no commitment to the "routine operational expenses". Also, there is no routine reporting to the citizens impacted, or opportunity to end all taxation when
Stephen Carpenter	5/30/2020	possible."
Lucinda Noftsiinger	5/31/2020	"There are other ways to pay for the resolution than to charge homeowners...we didn't create the problem!" "Cost-sharing between General Fund and residents is a more appropriate approach to changes that occur outside any one party's ability to foresee difficulties that arise today from inadequate
Kathy Moran	5/31/2020	regulations/county approvals executed in the past."
J. Michael Lam	5/31/2020	"It is a never ending cost..."
Kyle Burton	5/31/2020	"It is grossly unfair."
Gary Calleo	6/1/2020	"I support the points made by Terry Lam."
Melissa Harrell	6/2/2020	"The County admin at the time and the developers made this mistake- NOT the homeowners!" "The impacted neighbors, many like myself, have spent thousands of dollars improving our properties to channel runoff water safely away from our homes. The failure to plan for or require swales between homes and approvals of larger apartments and subdivisions without similar requirements has created this problem. It must be solved but the solution needs to be funded by the general fund and treated like any other capital improvement. Hundreds of residents from outside the area visit and use Shenandoah Lake, Lakeview Golf Course, Sunnyside Retirement Community, camp Massanetta, Generations Crossing and many more businesses, churches and medical providers. Our neighborhood property taxes are used to build schools that our children won't attend and to improve roads that we may never travel on. This is a Rockingham County issue that must be funded by the county and not through an unlimited stream of taxation on a small segment of the county's
Tom Mendez	6/3/2020	population."
Michael Watson	6/3/2020	"I believe the county caused this problem through their negligence and should therefore access the fee to the whole county not the victims." "We have lived on the lake for 20 years and have left our 2+ Acres in native vegetation. Run off from our place is contained to our property which has been certified as a wildlife habitat. Certificate No. 162,328 by the National Wildlife Federation. It is the uncontrolled development that has caused the problems. Those who have profited from this development should bear the cost of of mitigation! We will not throw our money down another rat hole of bureaucracy while those who have profited walk
Bill Fisher	6/3/2020	away without shouldering their responsibilities."