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Subject: REBriar Chapel Wastewater System unstable

Date: 2020-11-16 02:32

From: Gail Woods <[gwoods1022@gmail.com](mailto:gwoods1022@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

To: Commissioners Karen Howard, Diana Hales, Mike Dasher, Jim Crawford, Andy Wilkie

My name is Gail Woods and I have lived at 42 Summersweet Lane for seven years. As a resident of Briar Chapel I am opposed to any further development being added to our wastewater system until the system can be stabilized after implementation of the force main bypass is shown to prevent repeated ruptures and sewage spills. Until the force main bypass is in place and functional I request that no further development be added to Briar Chapel's dysfunctional wastewater system that includes a component spray irrigation system and an odor control system.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Woods

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Subject: Briar Chapel Wastewater

Date: 2020-11-14 08:44

From: John DiMiceli <[jdemiceli94@gmail.com](mailto:jdemiceli94@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Dear Commissioners of Chatham County:

We wish to add our names to those of other residents of the Briar Chapel Community who are opposed to the Newland Company being granted permission to build and tie additional homes into our wastewater treatment system until the system can be (1) stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills) (2) additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and (3) an odor control system is fully operational.

We appreciate the Board of Commissioners' actions to-date to achieve these goals, and we hope it will continue to do so despite pressure from the developer to trust that, on these issues, they will act in the best interests of the residents of Briar Chapel when it is clear that, to-date, they have not.

Thank you.

John DiMiceli and Josephine Corro

43 Bennett Mountain Trace

Briar Chapel

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Subject: Briar Chapel Wastewater System

Date: 2020-11-13 14:42

From: Michael Gorman <[mikegorman43@gmail.com](mailto:mikegorman43@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Dear County Commissioners,

I understand that Chatham County Commissioners will be discussing Newland's final two Briar Chapel plats next week. As a Briar Chapel resident, I ask you to delay approval of these final plats until our significant, open wastewater treatment issues are successfully addressed, notably system capacity, sewage spills, and odor conditions near the wastewater treatment plant. At present, our sewage system is too fragile to support additional development, a fact that we have thoroughly documented this year. Before additional demand is placed on this system, we must ensure that our wastewater treatment system is stabilized, that additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and that an odor control system is implemented. Thank you in advance for helping to ensure that these ongoing public health dangers are resolved quickly.

Regards,

Michael Gorman

2310 Briar Chapel Parkway

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

Subject: Briar Chapel & Newland (Developer) Final Plat Approval

Date: 2020-11-13 17:27

From: Dennis Will <[drwillnva@gmail.com](mailto:drwillnva@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com), Gmail <[rejinva@gmail.com](mailto:rejinva@gmail.com)>, Dennis Will <[drwillnva@gmail.com](mailto:drwillnva@gmail.com)>

To: Commissioners Karen Howard, Diana Hales, Mike Dasher, Jim Crawford and Andy Wilkie

From:

Dennis Will and Richard Johns, Trustees (Home Owners)

Of The Lawrence Hardin Revocable Trust

99 Post Oak Rd

Chapel Hill, NC 27516

571-641-0990 (cell) / 703-244-6341 (cell)

Dear Commissioners:

We are pleading with you as County Commissioners, that you please delay

approval of Newland's final two plat requests, based on the discussion below.

Although our HOA Board has decided to move forward without full community confidence or support, we ask that you intervene and help us ensure that we get our issues fully resolved before Newland is allowed to move forward with more development in Briar Chapel.

On Monday night our Briar Chapel resident group, Stop Chathan North (SCN) -- and our SCN attorney will be representing many nervous BC homeowners, including us. We do not want additional development added to our waste water system (by the Developer, Newland), at least until the current system can be fully stabilized (i.e., implementation of force main bypass to prevent / resolve ongoing sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system is in place, not just all promised to be by the Developer.

We have not received solid assurances (in the newly approved Briar Chapel HOA Board / Newland / ONSWC Tri-Party Agreement), that Briar Chapel will not ever become a Regional Wastewater facility. We have not observed solid and meaningful agreement terms, which give us confidence as residents that the Developer will uphold their pledges and our fear is based on their prior lack of results, even with recent waste water management changes and / or ongoing sewer spillages.

In conclusion, we are not against future development in BC, but as residents (owners) we just need more leverage to push the Developer to produce upfront waste water results before moving forward with additional pressure on our waste water system. Please protect us as your Chatham County neighbors -- and our beloved BC community, with plat approval delay on Monday night.

Sincerely,  
Dennis Will and Richard Johns

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

Subject: Briar Chapel Wastewater System

Date: 2020-11-13 14:39

From: laurie leichman <[lauriesl53@gmail.com](mailto:lauriesl53@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Dear County Commissioners,

I understand that Chatham County Commissioners will be discussing Newland's final two Briar Chapel plats next week. As a Briar Chapel

resident, I ask you to delay approval of these final plats until our significant, open wastewater treatment issues are successfully addressed, notably system capacity, sewage spills, and odor conditions near the wastewater treatment plant. At present, our sewage system is too fragile to support additional development, a fact that we have thoroughly documented this year. Before additional demand is placed on this system, we must ensure that our wastewater treatment system is stabilized, that additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and that an odor control system is implemented. Thank you in advance for helping to ensure that these ongoing public health dangers are resolved quickly.

Regards,  
Laurie Leichman  
2310 Briar Chapel Parkway

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Subject: Nov 16th Board meeting: Letter to CC commissioners re Briar Chapel

Date: 2020-11-13 13:16

From: Susan O <[susoc3@gmail.com](mailto:susoc3@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Dear Chatham County Commissioners ;

I am a homeowner at Briar Chapel. I am writing today in relation to the upcoming meeting on November 16th when a vote will be made about allowing the approval of the north phase. We ask that you delay the approval of the final plats until the waste water system capacity, sewage spills and odor conditions near the wastewater treatment plant are addressed and resolved.

We also humbly ask that you use your influence to assist the community in the remediation of this ongoing issue. The events (spills and such) and lack of resolution of the wastewater treatment plant are very disturbing. We recognize there are health, economic and good will issues impacting each homeowner in the development that are not being addressed by the continuing lack of a complete repair of the systems at Briar Chapel.

Because of the ongoing issues, It would seem negligent to authorize more home building at a time when the current wastewater systems cannot function properly and consistently.

Please know I recognize and appreciate your authority to alleviate and help mitigate this unfortunate episode in a community that has been fine otherwise.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration,

\_Susan O'Connell, MATP, MTP, REACE\_  
\_376 Granite Mill BLVD\_

\_Former Chief Assessor, Ventura County CA\_  
\_Former Professor, Sofia University, Ecopsychology\_  
\_Former Director Creative Expression, Sofia University\_  
\_Co Chair IEATA\_

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Subject: Briar Chapel Waste Water Management

Date: 2020-11-13 13:03

From: Sharon M <[smessina51@gmail.com](mailto:smessina51@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Dear Chatham County Commissioners,

I am writing to you today as a resident of Briar Chapel for the past 3.5 years. When we purchased our home in February, 2017, nothing was ever mentioned to us about the sewage plant located within Briar Chapel. We did not even know a sewage plant was located within the confines of our neighborhood. Nor did we know this sewage plant was being contracted for use (behind the scenes) by several "to be built" developments outside of Briar Chapel. The lack of honest transparency about this sewage plant by Newland Development, and the builders here in Briar Chapel, astonishes and saddens us. Had we been better informed prior to our purchase, we may have chosen not to buy in this neighborhood (or any other neighborhood in the area facing these same challenges without proper disclosure.)

Much to our dismay, within a couple of weeks after we closed on our house, we began hearing about the problems with our Briar Chapel sewage plant via the NextDoor application. In addition, we began smelling the problems with this sewage plant as we walked all around the neighborhood. Again, this made us angry because we could not believe these issues were not disclosed to us - by anyone- prior to closing on our home. Since 2017, the sewage plant problem has gone from bad to worse, and has produced 30+ unsafe sewage leaks and almost daily bad odors! Yet, it appears Newland Development, and all the builders, want to turn a blind eye to this growing problem and just keep building/adding more homes without properly fixing the sewage plant to handle the capacity of our fast-growing neighborhood. Please do not allow Newland to get away with this!! Please hold them and Old North

State Water/Sewer accountable for their actions!! As a Briar Chapel resident and Chatham County taxpayer, we do not want additional development added to our Briar Chapel wastewater system until the system can be stabilized i.e., implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills, additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted/constructed, and there is proper implementation of a state-of-the-art odor control system.

In addition, we do not ever want to see our Briar Chapel's Waste Water plant turned into a "Regional WasteWater Plant" by being contracted out to developers/developments outside the confines of our neighborhood. Again, the fact that this scenario could happen was never disclosed to us by anyone prior to buying and it seems extremely unfair that Newland would be able to get away with allowing other developers to use our sewage plant when none of this was disclosed to buyers prior to buying.

Thank you so much for your consideration. My husband and I truly appreciate your support, especially from an environmental safety and property value perspective.

Sincerely,  
Sharon Messina  
1431 Briar Chapel Parkway  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

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

Subject: Chatham County Board of Commissioner's (CC BOC) Meeting  
(November 16th 2020)

Date: 2020-11-13 12:28

From: Teresa Weedon <[teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Cc: [mweedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:mweedon@nc.rr.com), [teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)

Dear Ms. Hales,

As a Briar Chapel resident and homeowner I do not want additional development added to our WW system until the system can be stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system.

I also want improved assurances (in the Briar Chapel HOA Board/Newland/ONSWC Tri-Party Agreement) that Briar Chapel will not become a Regional Wastewater facility. I wrote to you on this subject on October 28, 2020 as included below.

Sincerely,  
Teresa Sorella Weedon  
249 Tobacco Farm Way  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

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(November 16th 2020)  
Date: 2020-11-13 12:27  
From: Teresa Weedon <[teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)>  
To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)  
Cc: [mweedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:mweedon@nc.rr.com), [teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)

Dear Ms. Howard,

As a Briar Chapel resident and homeowner I do not want additional development added to our WW system until the system can be stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system.

I also want improved assurances (in the Briar Chapel HOA Board/Newland/ONSWC Tri-Party Agreement) that Briar Chapel will not become a Regional Wastewater facility. I wrote to you on this subject on October 28, 2020 as included below.

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Subject: Chatham County Board of Commissioner's (CC BOC) Meeting  
(November 16th 2020)  
Date: 2020-11-13 12:26  
From: Teresa Weedon <[teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)>  
To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)  
Cc: [mweedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:mweedon@nc.rr.com), [teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)

Dear Mr. Dasher,

As a Briar Chapel resident and homeowner I do not want additional development added to our WW system until the system can be stabilized

(implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system.

I also want improved assurances (in the Briar Chapel HOA Board/Newland/ONSWC Tri-Party Agreement) that Briar Chapel will not become a Regional Wastewater facility. I wrote to you on this subject on October 28, 2020 as included below.

Sincerely,  
Teresa Sorella Weedon  
249 Tobacco Farm Way  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

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

Subject: Fwd: Briar Chapel Waste Water  
Date: 2020-11-13 12:22  
From: Teresa Weedon <[teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)>  
To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)  
Cc: [mweedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:mweedon@nc.rr.com), [teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)

Dear Mr. Wilkie,

As a Briar Chapel resident and homeowner I do not want additional development added to our WW system until the system can be stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system.

I also want improved assurances (in the Briar Chapel HOA Board/Newland/ONSWC Tri-Party Agreement) that Briar Chapel will not become a Regional Wastewater facility. I wrote to you on this subject on October 28, 2020 as included below.

Sincerely,  
Teresa Sorella Weedon  
249 Tobacco Farm Way  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

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Subject: Chatham County Board of Commissioner's (CC BOC) Meeting (November 16th 2020)  
Date: 2020-11-13 12:21



From: Teresa Weedon <[teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)>  
To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)  
Cc: [mweedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:mweedon@nc.rr.com), [teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com](mailto:teresa.weedon@nc.rr.com)

Dear Mr. Crawford,

As a Briar Chapel resident and homeowner I do not want additional development added to our WW system until the system can be stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system.

I also want improved assurances (in the Briar Chapel HOA Board/Newland/ONSWC Tri-Party Agreement) that Briar Chapel will not become a Regional Wastewater facility. I wrote to you on this subject on October 28, 2020 as included below.

Sincerely,  
Teresa Sorella Weedon  
249 Tobacco Farm Way  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516

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

Subject: Briar Chapel Irrigation System  
Date: 2020-11-13 10:15  
From: Nancy Strickland <[nstrickland372@gmail.com](mailto:nstrickland372@gmail.com)>  
To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Dear County Commissioners,

Briar Chapel residents do not want additional development added to our WW system until the system can be stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system.

Thank you for your help & concern.

Kind Regards,

Nancy Strickland  
722 Tobacco Farm Way, Briar Chapel

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

Subject: Briar Chapel WW concerns

Date: 2020-11-13 09:28

From: Myles Elledge <[mojomyles@gmail.com](mailto:mojomyles@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

CC Commissioners,

I am writing regarding the upcoming hearing on Briar Chapel new development, and Newland's final two plats.

The operational state of the Briar Chapel wastewater treatment system is not good. I ask the CC BOC to delay approval of these final Newland plats in Briar Chapel until the system capacity, sewage spills and odor conditions near the wastewater plant are working consistently well.

As a Briar Chapel resident, I do not want additional development added to the wastewater system until the system can prove it is stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an effective odor control system.

Thank you for your consideration.

best regards, Myles Elledge

Resident in Briar Chapel

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

Subject: Public Input for Chatham County BOC meeting on Nov. 16, 2020 :  
Attention: Karen Howard, Diana Hales, Mike Dasher, Jim Crawford, Andy Wilkie

Date: 2020-11-13 09:22

From: "Robert Mergliano" <[merglian@gmail.com](mailto:merglian@gmail.com)>

To: "" <[bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)>

Please consider this email as public input for the BOC meeting on 11/16/2020, regarding final approval of the Newland plats in Briar Chapel.

I have been a resident of Briar Chapel for 5 years. During that time there have been continuous, serious and documented problems with the waste water treatment system installed by the developer Newland. There have been repeated overflows of raw sewage onto BC property with many of the overflows going into Pokeberry Creek. This is in addition to

frequent significant odors stemming from the wastewater plant affecting BC residents. These issues are not recent but have been ongoing for years.

These serious health, safety and quality of life issues for BC residents stem from obvious design problems with the BC wastewater system that have still not been corrected by Newland and the plant operators. These problems include defective force main piping that continually ruptures, and an inability to control significant odors arising from the plant.

Now Newland wants final approval of plats so they can add additional homes to an already malfunctioning sewer system. Newland promises they will correct the system deficiencies, but they have already had years of time for resolution and the problems still persist.

I ask the Chatham County Board of Commissioners to deny Newland the final approval of its housing site plats until Newland has corrected the significant problems with its sewage treatment system. If the plats are approved it will just make the problems worse.

Yours truly,

Robert Mergliano  
Briar Chapel  
115 Sagebrush Road  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516  
919-240-7049

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

Subject: Request to Delay Approval of Final Plats in Briar Chapel

Date: 2020-11-13 09:11

From: Caroline Dilworth <[caroline.dilworth@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.dilworth@gmail.com)>

To: [bocclerk@chathameoc.com](mailto:bocclerk@chathameoc.com)

Cc: Andrew Dilworth <[adilworth@gmail.com](mailto:adilworth@gmail.com)>

Dear Chatham County Board of Commissioners:

We are writing to express our support of Stop Chatham North's request to delay the approval of Newland's final two plats in Briar Chapel until ongoing issues with the Briar Chapel wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) are addressed. These issues include inadequate system capacity for existing development, hazardous and frequent sewage spills, and bad odor conditions near the WWTP and surrounding homes/common areas. Briar Chapel residents do not want additional development added to our WW

system until the system can be stabilized (implementation of force main bypass to prevent/resolve sewage spills), additional spray irrigation capacity is permitted and constructed, and implementation of an odor control system. We ask that the CC BOC protect our health and home values by ensuring these necessary steps are taken before allowing Newland to move forward with additional development.

Sincerely,

Caroline & Andrew Dilworth  
418 Old Piedmont Circle  
Chapel Hill, NC 27516  
(919) 260-9429