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Subject: Savannah Ridge TRC Comments

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## Dave.

Here's comments from TRC meeting hold on 3/18/2020, I don't have Mr. Lyczkowski email please forward:

Bev stated by e-mail: I think I have reviewed most of these, except for the Savannah Ridge one. I believe there may well be a cemetery somewhere on that property, per the will of Joseph Minter dated 25 September 1822, (Will Book B-108), which refers to "the graveyard where my father and mother's buried with others of the family, which is one eighth of an acre." [Joseph's father and mother were John O. and Elizabeth Morgan Minter.] Deed dated 4 November 1828, by John Farrar, Executor of Joseph Minter, deceased, to Charles J. Williams, gives the metes and bounds of 1,005 acres on the north side of Deep River "with the exception of the grave yard which occupies and is limited to one quarter of an acre," (Deed Book AB-401). Deed dated 31 December 1839, from Charles J. Williams to John A. Williams, gives the metes and bounds of 800 acres on the north side of Deep River "with the exception of the grave yard which occupies and is limited to one quarter of an acre," (Deed Book AE-464). I have spoken to one local resident who visited the cemetery site, which he believes was on the property in question, with his grandfather in the 1980s.

The Minters were very early settlers in that part of the county--owning vast tracts. Gravesites of that age are likely to be marked only by fieldstones and be so overgrown that they are difficult to locate. Local residents say that the old Minter homestead was located on parcel 11371. It is unclear from the plan online if that parcel is included in the project area or excluded. Please clarify. It is likely that the cemetery would have been in some proximity to the house site, so it would be prudent to have parcel 11371 and the area around it examined by someone with expertise before any disturbance. Will there be an EIS for the project? If so, this should be an explicit part of that inquiry. If/when the cemetery is located, CCHA would like the opportunity to visit and document it before construction activities begin, and, of course there should be a plan for protecting it during construction and after buildout.

- Contact Emergency Operations, to check about the subdivision name and road names a form needs to be completed.
- Some of the lots are small as .4 acres and if it will be realistic with onsite septic. Environmental Health stated the lot size seems very tight.
- Possibly working with Parks and Rec., when staff met with the developer there was discussion about them helping with the

construction of the facility. They seemed agreeable to discussing that possibility. Jason stated we need to check with the County Attorney to see if we can start using the money for construction based on the special legislation

- Timmons Group has performed a fire hydrant flow test for the area recently for design purposes.
- What will be done with the 1.5 acres parcel 11371? If the tract remain will you provide access to the lot?
- What do you plan to do with the remaining property across the road?
   You may move forward with First Plat submittal.

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