

TOWNSHIP OF STROUD
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING MINUTES

December 3, 2024, at 6:30 P.M.

**Public Hearing to consider the application of George and Melissa Arocha, 1183
Woodland Drive for a waiver or modification from the riparian buffer regulations found
at 23-303 of the Stroud Township Stormwater Ordinance**

The Public Hearing of the Stroud Township Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairwoman & Secretary, Jennifer Shukaitis at 6:30 P.M., Also present were Vice Chairman & Ass't Treasurer, Edward Cramer; Supervisor/Ass't Secretary, Susan Lyons (arrived at 6:38 P.M.); Township Manager, Daryl A. Eppley; Township Solicitor, Todd Weitzmann and Recording Secretary, Janice Willey. Ms. Shukaitis began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Ms. Shukaitis read the public notice aloud (see attached). She then turned the hearing over to Mr. Weitzmann who explained the procedure. Then stated Mr. Eppley has some exhibits to enter. Mr. Eppley then entered exhibits, **T-1**, Publication of public notice from the Pocono Record, the notice ran 11/26/2024; **T-2**; Application to the Board of Supervisors and attachments from George and Melissa Arocha; **T-3**, Engineer's Review Letter dated 12/3/2024 from Chris McDermott, Reilly Associates to the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **enter Township's Exhibits T-1 through T-3**. Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 2-0. (Ms. Lyons had not arrived yet)

Melissa Arocha attended the meeting and explained her proposed project and why she needs this waiver to proceed. Mrs. Arocha answered question from Mr. McDermott and the Board. Mr. McDermott went over his review letter and Ms. Lyons expressed her concerns regarding the potential impact. Mr. Cramer made a motion to **grant a modification from the riparian buffer regulations found at 23-303 of the Stroud Township Stormwater Ordinance based the following conditions, 1. the improvements should NOT be further enlarged in the future; 2. the applicant must show that no more than 35% of the inner buffer will be altered by activities (including the existing home and driveway); 3. erosion and sediment pollution control measures be implemented during construction; d. if an additional impervious surface to be constructed that would result in more than 5,000 sf of impervious surface area on the lot, then a stormwater plan be required.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. Ms. Lyons opposed the motion. Motion carried 2-1.

There being no further business, Mr. Cramer made a motion to **adjourn the hearing at 7:03 P.M.** Ms. Shukaitis seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Willey
Administrative and Recording Secretary