

Developer gets delay for project

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About 60 Lower Paxton Twp. residents crowded into the supervisors' meeting room Tuesday night for a little "give and take" with a developer about a project that has them concerned.

Representatives of McNaughton Homes stood to talk about two related developments in the area, Autumn Oaks, to be built at the foot of Blue Mountain, and Autumn Oak Estates, to be carved onto the mountainside.

The 177-acre higher site will eventually contain 92 homes on lots that average about 1.7 acres. Residents of nearby Centennial Acres are concerned about five storm water detention basins to be built above their neighborhood.

McNaughton requested the township delay a vote on project approval so it could address residents' concern. The plan was to have been voted on by Sept. 10, but McNaughton agreed to have it postponed until no later than Nov. 10.

William Hawk, chairman of the board of supervisors, reminded the audience that state law requires municipalities to make decisions on developments based on whether they meet the requirements of federal, state and local ordinances. So far, the Autumn Oaks project has done that, they said.

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