

Hearing Held on Controversial Zoning Change in Forks Township

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It's take two in Forks Township, where "homes" are again the hot topic. A developer wants to build lots of them. Residents want to keep them out, and some say, they're having a hard time being heard. The last meeting ended before it could begin, and Monday night some residents still didn't get what they were looking for.



WFMZ's [Carl Madonna](#) was there and has our top story.

"...you will have the opportunity to be heard at a future hearing."

Madonna:

Not the news this crowd of more than three hundred wanted to hear Monday night.

Many of whom packed this same gymnasium two weeks ago for a hearing that lasted all of thirty seconds...The reason, property owners in the area weren't notified that the hearing was taking place. This time around the Bucks Lehigh Land Company sent out the required notice and an actual hearing took place.

A hearing that featured a morsel of testimony from lawyers outlining their strategies as the appeal to build up to four-thousand homes on protected farmland continues.

John Pappas:

"...this is the first time since I've been on the board, and that's 20 years that I've had a hearing where the ordinance is challenged."

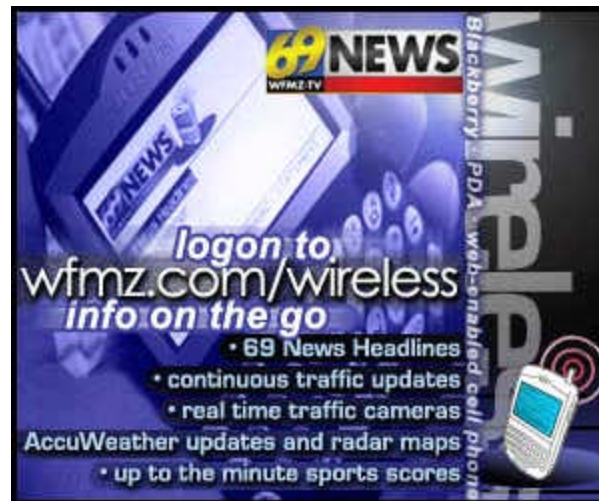
Madonna:

The appeal was filed by a group of developers headlined by Nic Zawarski and Sons. At Monday's hearing it was announced that KMRD-LP is the group filing the appeal.

That didn't sit well with some in the audience who say KMRD was created to divert publicity.

"...we cannot have applause as I said this is a court proceeding, if this were a court room the judge would pound the gavel and rule all of you out of order."

"...a majority of the testimony including the public's chance will come at two more hearings scheduled for October. In Forks Township I'm [Carl Madonna](#), 69 News.



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