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DEP cites Rockwool construction site

RANSON — The West Virginia Department of the Environment has cited Rockwool Group for six stormwater management violations at its factory site under construction in Ranson.

A sinkhole that opened on the site wasn't reported to the DEP as required, and work crews also failed to maintain erosion and sediment runoff controls, according to a DEP violation notice related to the company's stormwater discharge permit.

After inspecting the land grading at the 130-acre site, the DEP issued the violation notice on Sept. 11. Rockwool officials received a letter from the agency Oct. 1 and

were given 20 days to confirm in writing that the violations were corrected.

"The DEP's notice confirms that sediment-laden water did not leave the construction site and notes that we are already taking action to strengthen the storm water protection," according to a statement issued by Rockwool.

Rockwool officials said the violations were quickly corrected. The company also reported that it has hired a site inspection firm to monitor the site's maintenance and ensure it remains in compliance.

In a statement, the nonprofit Jefferson County Vision expressed concern about the violations.

"It is alarming that Rockwool doesn't even have a building permit and is already violating rules designed to protect our health and the environment," board member Megan Hartlove said in the statement. "These violations, and Rockwool's delays in disclosing them, renew our concerns about Rockwool's commitment to transparency and whether the company actually understands the risky karst geology of Jefferson County."

Karst geology is prone to sinkholes, which can become conduits for stormwater runoff that pollute underground water reservoirs, according to Eastern Panhandle Conservation District officials.

Rockwool FROM PAGE A1

tive on the 20-member Jefferson County Development Authority.

Tolbert has said the factory represents heavy industrial development that no longer fits Jefferson County. Charles Town actually spells out that heavy industry does not fit into its long-term comprehensive plan.

Tolbert said the guidance

would suggest how Hennessy and the JCDA might approach future economic development in the county that conflicts with Charles Town's comprehensive plan.

"I'd appreciate any help," the councilman said. "Let me know."

He also said he would meet with Rockwool representatives in future "if more opportunities present themselves as appropriate." The meeting's public comment time include

residents worried about the risk of pollution and asking the city make more information on future permits related to the factory available on the city's website.

Shaun Amos of Harpers Ferry urged council members to challenge legal assertions about memorandums of understanding. He said public officials cannot sign away future votes on public policy decisions.

"Let a court decide," Amos

said. "I cannot believe there is a court in this land that will tell you that you were given a vote that you had to vote one way or another—that your vote was basically invalidated."

"Don't keep scaring people into believing that they don't have a vote, that they don't have a say, whether they have to live up to an agreement that was clearly violated before anybody had any of the information."

Plaque FROM PAGE A8

the Harpers Ferry district commission seat, said he would support moving the plaque to an area where it could be "respectfully displayed" with other markers and memorials.

Onoszko, who holds a bachelor's degree from South Carolina's The Citadel, has stood firm in opposing the removal of the Confederate plaque or any other

historical marker.

Businessman David Tabb of Halltown, the Mountain Party candidate running against Onoszko and Lorenzetti after losing the Republican primary for the seat, said he supports having a referendum to allow county residents to decide how or whether to remove the plaque.

But the plaque is more than a political consideration, explains Linda Ballard, one of the women who first asked the

JCC to remove the plaque and an organizer of Friday's demonstration.

A great-great-granddaughter of an enslaved woman from the county, she said she considers the plaque a moral issue.

"This is not about the election. This is about our ancestors," she said. "I don't want the morality of the issue to get lost in this. ... We're taking a stand for what is right."

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Charles N. Vance and Cathy M. Winters Vance to Robert J. Mahoney; LT 20, SEC 3; Shepherdstown District; \$140,000.00

K. Hovanian Homes at Shenandoah Springs LLC and K. Hovanian Developments of West Virginia, Inc. to Christopher B. Morrow; LT 10, BLK D; Ranson Corporation; \$355,450.00

M. Eloise Welsh and Terry Lee Welsh AIF to Jeremy M. McDaniel and Camron M. McDaniel; LT 10, CT 1.078 ACS; Harpers Ferry District; \$310,000.00

Donald J. Orser to Anjeanette M. Teller and Rebecca N. Teller; LTS 15 and 16, SEC 14J; Charles Town District; \$5,000.00

WVTA LLC to John T. Coche and Sandra A. M. Waller; LT 2, SEC 4; Harpers Ferry District; \$30,000.00

Carl Clifton Spurlock and Susan Spurlock to Digna Emerita Zavalia; LTS 23, 24 and 25, BLK 157, CT 10,250 square feet, L/E PCL CT 1,000 square feet; Ranson Corporation; \$180,000.00

Eric M. Decker to Kamela Michael Eberwein; LT 16, River Section, CT 1.07 ACS; Kabletown District; \$10,000.00; Correcting incorrect sales price of \$11,000.00 to \$10,000.00

Timothy Pero heir, Jeffrey Pero heir, Sharon Pierson heir and

Christopher M. Pero Estate to Sean H. Kelly; LT 21; Bolivar Corporation; \$128,000.00

Robust Homes LLC to Nicole F. Shutts; LT 435, PH 3A, SEC 2; Charles Town Corporation; \$181,500.00

Randolph S. Reed and Cherie R. Reed to Michael J. Fagan; LTS 1, 2, 3 and 4, BLK 115; Ranson Corporation; \$200,000.00

Charles E. Thomason Jr. to Amanda J. Freely; LT 1113, CT 1.05 ACS, SEC 11; Kabletown District; \$13,000.00

Kristin E. Cederborg to Joshua Hamilton and Lisa Didonato; LT 168, PH II; Shepherdstown District; \$315,000.00

David S. Dempster and Sara Arditti to Shannon C. Gale and Eric Edward Richards; PCL 1: LT 2-A, PCL 2: LT 32, SEC 2 and PCL 3: LT 1; Harpers Ferry District; \$350,000.00

Henry W. Morrow Jr. Ancillary Administrator, John Robert Baker Estate AKA, John Robert Goodwin Baker AKA, John R. Baker and John Robert Goodwin Baker to CTA Nightingale Enterprises LLC; LT 35; Charles Town District; \$94,500.00

Norman R. Corbin III and Lora L. Corbin AIF, Lora L. Corbin to James Michael Chambers; LTS 2 and 3, SEC 24-F; Kabletown District; \$229,000.00
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to Zachary R. Mooney and Erin E. Foreman; TH LT 41; Charles Town Corporation; \$185,500.00

K. Hovanian Homes at Shenandoah Springs LLC and K. Hovanian Developments of West Virginia Inc. to Rosa Arias and Jose Arias; LT 13, BLK D; Ranson Corporation; \$323,910.00

K. Hovanian Homes at Shenandoah Springs LLC and K. Hovanian Developments of West Virginia Inc. to John Mayes and Roberta Mayes; LT 19, BLK E; Ranson Corporation; \$288,395.00

Joseph G. Saunders TR, Carol G. Saunders TR and Saunders Family Trust to Phillip C. Bromwell and Meline S. Baron; PCL 1: LT 8B, SEC B; PCL 2: LT 12A; Shepherdstown District; \$270,000.00

Marguerite Trainor to Jefferson Clarke Properties LLC; LT 18, SEC B; Charles Town District; \$63,000.00

Michael Carlson and Nancy Carlson to Terry Weldon; LT 279, SEC 2, PH 2B; Charles Town Corporation; \$274,900.00

James D. Pavelko and Laura V. Pavelko to Stafford Boivin; LT 41, SEC I; Harpers Ferry District; \$382,500.00

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- He turned his back on our seniors by voting to cancel the Social Security Trust Fund and by voting to cut Medicare by \$500,000,000.
- He turned his back on our families struggling to make ends meet by voting to cut Medicaid by one trillion dollars.
- He turned his back on children by voting to cancel the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).
- He turned his back on opioid prevention and treatment, healthcare jobs and residents in nursing homes by voting to cut Medicaid.
- He turned his back on almost everyone in the 2nd District by voting for the tax law that mostly benefits corporations and the most wealthy individuals in the United States.
- He turned his back on working families, children and disabled persons by voting to cut the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and other income assistance programs by \$200,000,000.

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