

Middlesex County Wetlands Board Minutes

December 8, 1998

Call to Order

The December 8, 1998 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Chair Sherman T. Holmes at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Woodward Building, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: Mr. B. Ulman Miller
Mr. Dale Taylor
Mr. Woodson Armstead

Absent: Chairman Sherman T. Holmes
Mr. Elliot Reed

Staff present: Thomas Jordan, Planner/Deputy Zoning Administrator

Also present was Mr. Chip Neikirk from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission.

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the November 10, 1998 meeting. On a motion by Mr. Taylor and a second by Mr. Armstead, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Hearing

Acting Chairman Miller opened the public hearing, and the Middlesex County Wetlands Board took action on the following applications:

A. Richard Woodling – Application #98-1967

Mr. Miller read the proposal of Mr. Woodling to construct 80' of bulkhead to stop bank erosion. This project is located on Meacham's Creek, Tax Map #30A (1) 35.

Mr. Woodling was present to represent himself. He explained his project and his ongoing erosion problem. He also stated he would not begin construction until early next Spring.

Staff then read the VIMS report on the project.

Mr. Miller questioned Mr. Neikirk if the project needed to be continued until next meeting. Mr. Neikirk, stated that Mr. Woodling had come by his office and submitted revised drawings "that tied down the channelward encroachment." He also mentioned that during his site visit he concluded that the revised project would be landward of all the wetlands.

Mr. Miller opened the public hearing.
With there being no comment from the public, the hearing was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Armstead, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #98-1967 was approved as submitted for a term of 18 months.

B. Richard Seltzer – Application #98-1940

Mr. Miller read the proposal of Mr. Seltzer to construct 90' of bulkhead and a 48' low-profile groin. This project is located on the Rappahannock River, at Tax Map #8A (2) 5.

Diane Woodland was present in place of the agent Frank Evans, who was sick, to represent Mr. Panzer. She explained the project and stated she would try to answer any questions, but unfortunately had not visited the site before.

Staff read the VIMS report.

Mr. Miller opened the public hearing.

With there being no comment from the public, the hearing was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Armstead, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #98-1940 was approved as submitted for a term of 18 months.

C. Richard Lewis – Application #98-2031

Chairman Miller read the proposal of Mr. Lewis to install 90' of marsh toe stabilization. This project is located on the Rappahannock River, at Tax Map #9A (4) 1.

Lucille Morelli was present as agent for Mr. Lewis. Mrs. Morelli explained the project and the need to stabilize the marsh. She stated she had submitted revised drawings after speaking to Mr. Neikirk and reviewing the VIMS report. She stated they will stake the alignment prior to construction to allow the Wetlands Board to “know exactly what the contractor is doing.” She then went on to describe the revised drawings.

Mr. Miller asked Mr. Neikirk if he had any comments on the project. He mentioned he had discussed the project with Mrs. Morelli. Then he stated, “that the best way to pin the location down” due to the curved nature of the structure would be to have the revetment staked prior to construction and to have staff inspect placement.

Chairman Miller opened the public hearing.

With there being no comment from the public, the hearing was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Taylor seconded by Mr. Armstead, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #98-2031 was approved, for a term of 18 months with the condition that the alignment of the revetment be staked to the satisfaction of Wetlands Board staff prior to construction.

D. Virginia Burton – Application #98-2060

Mr. Miller read the proposal of Mrs. Burton to install 115' of riprap. This project is located on the Rappahannock River, at Tax Map #20A (6) 29.

Mrs. Burton was present to represent herself. She explained the project would align itself against the bulkhead. Filter cloth would be installed, with a class 1A stone core with class 2 stone top. The stone would also come over the top of the bulkhead five feet back, along the entire length of the bulkhead. She also added that it is one of the last properties along the river bank that has not been riprap.

Staff read the VIMS report.

Mr. Miller opened the public hearing.

With there being no comment from the public, the hearing was closed.

On a motion by Mr. Armstead, seconded by Mr. Taylor, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #98-2060 was approved as submitted for a term of 18 months.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss. Mr. Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Armstead, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.

Wetlands Board Chair

Date