

Middlesex County Wetlands Board Minutes

October 12, 1999

Call to Order

The October 12, 1999 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Chairman Sherman T. Holmes at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Woodward Building, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: Chairman Sherman T. Holmes
Mr. B. Ulman Miller
Mr. Woodson Armstead
Mr. Elliot Reed

Absent: Mr. M. Dale Taylor

Staff present: Thomas Jordan, Planner

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

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the September 14, 1999 meeting. On a motion by Mr. Miller and a second by Mr. Armstead, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Hearing

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

A. J. Howard Hall – Application #99-1436

Chairman Holmes read the proposal of Mr. Hall, to place 113' of rip rap revetment in front of an existing failing bulkhead. This project is located on Urbanna Creek, Tax Map #20B-11-A. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project.

Mr. Hall the applicant was present to represent his project. He stated the failing creosote wall was installed over 20 years ago and felt rip rap would offer the best shoreline protection. He then offered to answer any questions the board may have.

Mr. Reed asked the applicant if filter cloth was going to be used in the proposed project. Mr. Hall answered that it would be used.

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

On a motion by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Miller, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #99-1436 was approved as submitted for a term of 18 months.

B. Bill Fisher – Application #99-1512

Chairman Holmes read the proposal of Mr. Fisher, to construct a 40' low-profile groin. This project is located on the Chesapeake Bay, Tax Map #41-44-24. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project.

Alor Grantham-Traywick, was present as the agent for Mr. Fisher. Mrs. Traywick explained that the existing deteriorated groin would be removed and the proposed groin would be placed further off of the property line. She then offered to answer any questions that the Board may have.

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

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Armstead, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #99-1512 was approved as submitted for a term of 18 months.

C. William Woodard – Application #99-1417

Chairman Holmes read the proposal of Mr. Woodard, to remove the existing rip rap revetment and construct 100' of timber bulkhead. This project is located on sturgeon Creek, Tax Map #40-23-B-4A. Staff read the VIMS report for the project.

Jay Foster of R&W Construction, was present as the agent for Mr. Woodard. Mr. Foster stated that the existing rip rap revetment was installed incorrectly and the applicant is seeking a timber bulkhead to help control further erosion. He stated that the bulkhead alignment would be in the center of the existing rip rap. He then offered to answer any questions the board may have.

Mr. Holmes stated that it seems most of the erosion is coming from the applicant's yard. Mr. Foster agreed and stated the applicant is considering installing French Drains to help control the stormwater run-off.

Mr. Holmes 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. Reed, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #99-1417 was approved with the conditions: 1)the bulkhead must be aligned no further channelward than the landward end of the existing rip rap 2) the existing rip rap be placed in front of the bulkhead and 3) submission of revised drawings. This project was approved for a term of 18 months.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted.

Wetlands Board Chair

Date