

Middlesex County Wetlands Board Minutes

May 9, 2006

Call to Order

The May 9, 2006 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Chairman Miller Smither at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Woodward Building, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: Mr. J. Miller Smither – Chairman
 Mr. B. Ulman Miller – Vice Chairman
 Mr. M. Dale Taylor
 Mr. Woodson Armstead
 Mr. Archie Brooks

Staff present: Amy Easterbrook, Planner
 Cathy Shiflett, Planning Department Secretary

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

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the April 11, 2006 meeting. On a motion by Mr. Taylor, and a second by Mr. Miller, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Hearing

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

A. Walter Bareford - Application #2006-0771.

Chairman Smither read the applicant's proposal requesting to install 152' of bulkhead for erosion control. This project is located on Broad Creek, at Tax Map # 41-19-2. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project.

Mr. Walter Bareford, applicant, was in attendance to represent the project.

Chairman Smither 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. Taylor, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #2006-0771 was approved as submitted. This approval is valid for a term of 18 months.

Old Business

A. Notice to Comply – James Lewis – Notice to Comply issued on March 27, 2006 for the construction of an unauthorized bulkhead.

Chairman Smither introduced Notice to Comply – James Lewis – for the construction of an unauthorized bulkhead. Chairman Smither stated that the Board had determined there was a violation, and VIMS conducted a site visit to assess tidal wetland impacts.

Staff presented photographs of the site before and after clean-up of the area. Staff recommended a Civil Charge of \$500 due to Mr. Lewis' willingness to comply immediately with county staff recommendations, his promptness at hiring a contractor to remove the bulkhead, debris, and install silt fencing to control runoff.

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Brooks, the Wetlands Board voted to assess a \$500 Civil Charge to Mr. James Lewis.

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