

Middlesex County Wetlands Board Minutes

September 12, 2006

Call to Order

The September 12, 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: Matthew Higgins, Planning Director
 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 August 8, 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. McKim Beale - #2006-1611.

Chairman Smither read the applicant's proposal requesting to install 134' of riprap revetment and a 6' timber return wall at the end of an existing bulkhead. This project is located on Urbanna Creek, at Tax Map # 20B-10-1. Staff stated that the applicant has requested a continuance of this application until the October 2006 Wetlands Board meeting to discuss the VIMS recommendations on site with staff.

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Miller, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #2006-1611 continued until the October 10, 2006 meeting.

B. Thomas H. Rees – Application #2006-1677.

Chairman Smither read the applicant's proposal requesting to construct 335' of riprap revetment at the toe of an eroding bank. The property for which the application is being made is located on the Piankatank River, Tax Map # 36-8A. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project. Staff recommended that the Board continue the application to the October 2006 meeting so that the applicant could revise the proposed plans to avoid any impact on wetland vegetation.

Mr. Joey Scott, agent, was in attendance to represent the project. Mr. Scott stated he had spoken with VIMS staff and agreed to comply with VIMS recommendations to eliminate a 50' section of the project to meet VMRC requirements for "No Net Loss". Mr. Scott stated he would submit revised drawings.

Chairman Smither opened the public hearing.

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

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Brooks, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #2006-1677 was approved conditioned on the submission of revised drawings depicting removal of a 50' section of the project to comply with VMRC "No Net Loss" policy. This approval is valid for a term of 18 months.

C. Deltaville Marina c/o Keith Ruse – Application #2006-1848

Chairman Smither read the applicant's proposal requesting to repair 75' of an existing failed jetty. The property for which the application is being made is located on Jackson Creek, Tax Map # 41-58. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project.

Mr. Brian Fletcher, agent, was in attendance to represent the project.

Chairman Smither opened the public hearing.

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

On a motion by Mr. Armstead, seconded by Mr. Miller, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #2006-1848 was approved as submitted. This approval is valid for a term of 18 months.

D. Elizabeth Harris - Application #2006- 1932.

Chairman Smither read the applicant's proposal requesting to install 60' of timber bulkhead with two 5' return walls 1' in front of an existing bulkhead. The property for which the application is being made is located on the Piankatank River, Tax Map # 36B-1B-5. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project.

Ms. Christine Breddy, agent, 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. Armstead, seconded by Mr. Brooks, and carried by unanimous vote, Application #2006-1932 was approved as submitted. This approval is valid for a term of 18 months.

E. Bette Binns – Application #2006-1947.

Chairman Smither read the applicant's proposal requesting to install 265' of vinyl bulkhead in front of an existing bulkhead. The property for which the application is being made is located on Piankatank River, Tax Map # 43A-6-6. Staff then read the VIMS report for the project. Staff noted that a revision to the proposed application dated September 8, 206 indicated that the proposed bulkhead would be installed 1' in front of the existing bulkhead. Therefore, the application has been revised to meet the recommendations of the VIMS report.

Mrs. Lucille Morelli-Redmon, agent, was in attendance to represent the project.

On a motion by Mr. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Taylor, carried by unanimous vote, Application #2006-1947 was approved with revisions dated September 8, 2006. This approval is valid for a term of 18 months.

Old Business

New Business

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