

Middlesex County Wetlands Board

Minutes

September 14, 2010

Call to Order

The September 14, 2010 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Chairman J. Miller Smither at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Historic Courthouse, Saluda, Virginia. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by J. Miller Smither.

Present: J. Miller Smither – Chairman
Dale Taylor
Woodson Armstead
Tom Hawksworth, Vice Chairman
Archie Brooks
Wesley Dolezal, Alternate

Staff present: Tripp Little, Wetlands Planner

Also present was Mr. Jay Woodward from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC).

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the August 10, 2010 meeting. On a motion by Mr. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Brooks, the minutes were approved.

Public Hearings

The following applications were considered by the Board:

A. Naomi D. Smith – Application # 2010-1186.

The Application is to construct an 87' vinyl bulkhead, landward of an existing bulkhead, and to construct 2 return walls. The proposed project is located on Locklies Creek at Tax Map Parcel # 30-32.

Mr. Little read the VIMS Summary and then read the Staff report recommending the application be approved as submitted.

Carissa Agnese of Coastal Marine was present as Agent.

Chairman Smither opened the hearing for comments from the public. There being no comments, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Chairman Smither began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the Agent.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Chairman Smither asked for disposition of the application.

The motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Mr. Hawksworth and seconded by Mr. Armstead, and carried unanimously. The permit will be good for 18 months.

B. Norton Hurd – Application # 2010-1211.

The Application is to reconstruct an existing 160' revetment in the same footprint, remove a stand of Phragmites, and install a new 15' revetment at the East end of the property. The proposed project is located near the mouth of Sturgeon Creek at Tax Map Parcel #40-14-13B.

Mr. Little read the VIMS Summary and then read the Staff report recommending the application be approved with revisions with the requirement that the revetment be channelward of any wetland vegetation and a restoration plan be submitted prior to final permit being issued.

Mr. Jay Foster of R&W Marine Construction was present as Agent.

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Chairman Smither began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the Agent.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Chairman Smither asked for disposition of the application.

The motion to approve the application with Staff recommendations requiring revised drawings and a restoration plan was made by Mr. Hawksworth and seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried unanimously. The permit will be good for 18 months.

Old Business

Harvey's Tree Service – Mr. Little attended the court hearing and found that Mr. Hall's contractor's license had expired and had been expired for one year. Mr. Hall was found guilty however the Judge withheld a finding of guilt pending the payment of the \$1,000.00 civil penalty by the 21st of September.

New Business

A. Chairman Smither informed the Board about an upcoming matter located in Waterview. There will potentially be a significant amount of violations and fines. Mr. Smither invited Jay Woodward and a representative from VIMS to attend the next month site visits of the Wetlands Board that will take place on October 5, 2010.

B. Extension Request for Permit # 2009-0095. Staff recommended extending the permit for 18 months. A motion to approve the application with Staff recommendations was made by Mr. Hawksworth and seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Armstead made a motion to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by Mr. Taylor, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Wetlands Board Chair

Date