

Middlesex County Wetlands Board

Minutes

November 8, 2011

Call to Order

The November 8, 2011 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by J. Miller Smither (Chairman) at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Historic Courthouse, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: J. Miller Smither – Chairman
Tom Hawksworth-Vice Chairman
Woodson Armstead
Archie Brooks
Dale Taylor

Not Present Wesley Dolezal (Alternate)

Staff present: Dave Kretz, Planner

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

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the October 11, 2011 meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Hawksworth and seconded by Mr. Brooks and carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

- A. **Wetlands Application # 2011-1314** submitted by R&W Marine Construction, Inc. on behalf of Douglas McPherson. This request is to construct a groin to allow sandy material to accumulate and increase protection of the existing revetment within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Piankatank River, at Tax Map Parcel # 46-2-21.

Representative from R&W Marine Construction, Inc. was present to represent the applicant and to explain the proposed construction.

Board members noted that the project was not staked at the time of field visit.

Chairman Smither indicated to the applicant that a project that is not staked at the time of the field visit will not be heard or voted on by the Board.

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

The motion to continue the application as submitted was made by Mr. Hawksworth and seconded by Mr. Brooks and carried unanimously.

B. Wetlands Application # 2011-1355 submitted by Mid-Atlantic on behalf of Howard T. Brown. This request is to minimize shoreline erosion with the construction of 377 linear feet of marsh sill with beach nourishment and vegetation. Site to be accessed from the upland with minimal clearing within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Robinson Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 19-213C.

Karla Havens was present to represent the applicant and to explain the proposed construction.

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. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried unanimously.

Old Business: Wetlands Board By-Laws: Board to vote on final By-Law revisions at December Meeting. Special recognition to Wesley Dolezal was noted for his assistance to staff on By-Law revisions.

New Business: Mr. Brown thanked the Board members for their professional conduct when visiting his property.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Wetlands Board Chair

Date