

Middlesex County Wetlands Board

Minutes

May 14, 2013

Call to Order

The May 14, 2013 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Monica Sanders (Vice Chairman) at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Historic Courthouse, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: **Monica Sanders - Vice Chairman** (acting Chairman for Tom Hawksworth)

Woodson Armstead

John Boyd

J. Miller Smither

Wesley Dolezal (Alternate for Tom Hawksworth)

Absent: Tom Hawksworth – Chairman

Staff present: Dave Kretz, Planner

Also present was Mr. Mike Johnson from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC).

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the April 9, 2013 meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Smither and seconded by Mr. Dolezal and carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

A. Wetlands Application # 2013-0395 submitted by Penny S. Tuthill on behalf of Penny S. Tuthill. This request is to Construct 70 linear feet of riprap revetment channelward of existing deteriorating bulkhead in the Rappahannock River within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Rappahannock River, at Tax Map Parcel # 19C-2A-12.

Penny S. Tuthill was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Vice Chairman Sanders opened the hearing for comments from the public.

There being no additional comments, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Vice Chairman Sanders began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the agent.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Vice Chairman Sanders asked for disposition of the application. The motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Mr. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Smither and carried unanimously with a 18 month time limit with the following conditions:

Submittal of revised plans depicting Benchmarks consistent with VMRC guidelines.

B. Wetlands Application # 2013-0438 submitted by Coastal Marine Consulting on behalf of Bush Park Mobile Home Park c/o Leona Brownley. This request is to Replace existing pier with a 5'x75' pier in the same exact footprint within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Bush Park Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 39-17A.

Leona Brownley was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Vice Chairman Sanders opened the hearing for comments from the public.

There being no additional comments, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Vice Chairman Sanders began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the agent.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Vice Chairman Sanders asked for disposition of the application. The motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Mr. Smither and seconded by Mr. Dolezal and carried unanimously with a 3-year time limit with the following conditions:

Submittal of revised plans depicting Benchmarks consistent with VMRC guidelines.

C. Wetlands Application # 2013-0492 submitted by SBH Construction co., Inc. on behalf of Christopher & Julie Rouzie. This request is to Construct a 65 linear foot armor stone revetment over filter cloth against an existing bulkhead. Structure will connect to an existing bulkhead at each end. Access will be by land through the yard. No grading will be required within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Rappahannock River, at Tax Map Parcel # 41-17B.

Betty Pugh was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Vice Chairman Sanders opened the hearing for comments from the public.

There being no additional comments, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Vice Chairman Sanders began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the agent.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Vice Chairman Sanders asked for disposition of the application. The motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Mr. Dolezal and seconded by Mr. Armstead and carried unanimously with a 18 month time limit.

Old Business:

Vice Chairman Sanders asked staff if they had met with the Board of Supervisors. Staff indicated they had not.

New Business:

The Board conducted a brief discussion regarding a response to the VIMS report on "Regulatory Fidelity to Guidance in Virginia's Tidal Wetlands Program". A motion to draft a letter and forward it to The Virginia Institute of Marine Science was made by Armstead and seconded by Smither and carried unanimously.

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Wetlands Board Chair

Date