

Middlesex County Wetlands Board

Minutes

September 10, 2013

Call to Order

The September 10, 2013 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Tom Hawksworth (Chairman) at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Historic Courthouse, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: Tom Hawksworth- Chairman
Monica Sanders-Vice Chairman
Woodson Armstead
John Boyd
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 August 13, 2013 meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Dolezal and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

A. Wetlands Application # 2013-1086 submitted by Jessie Davis on behalf of Paula Otto & Dan Timberlake. This request is to Place filter cloth on an existing bulkhead and pull back existing stone for core stone, then cover with Class II Armor Stone, footprint not to exceed the existing footprint within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Mill Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 30C-1-25.

Dan Timberlake and Jessie Davis were present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public.

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

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

Chairman Hawksworth asked for disposition of the application. The motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Mr. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

B. Wetlands Application # 2013-1185 submitted by McKans View LLC. This request is to Install 404' of quarry stone rip rap along the toe of an eroding bluff within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Rappahannock River, at Tax Map Parcel # 3-2.

Kristal Reiner and Tom Langford were present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public.

Mr. Bob Townsend spoke on behalf of an adjoining property.

Mr. Townsend expressed his concern with respect to the well located in front of the applicant's property and the line that supplies water to his property. He indicated that construction of the revetment may damage the service line. Chairman Hawksworth indicated that the well and associated uses and rights are a civil matter and should be worked out between the interested parties. Mr. Langford indicated that he would work with Mr. Townsend and the adjoining property owners so as to avoid damage to the well and service line.

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

Chairman Hawksworth 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 Hawksworth asked for disposition of the application. The motion to approve the application as submitted was made by Mr. Dolezal and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously with an 18 month time limit.

Old Business:

Amendment request for:

Wetlands Application # 2013-1001 submitted by Jim Jessie on behalf of Richard E. Dougherty. This request is to Install a 56' groin along the side of the existing pier on the down river side. Install a 12' spur at MLW with the new groin on the down river side. Install a 12' spur at MLW on the existing groin on the up river side within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Piankatank River, at Tax Map Parcel # 42A-3-1.

Jimmy Blake was present to represent the amendment request.

Having previously opened and closed the public comment portion during the August public hearing, Chairman Hawksworth began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the agent.

Mr. Blake indicated to the board that there was concern that the groins would not function properly if placed in the position that the board conditionally approved at the August public hearing. Mr. Blake also stated that he would like to place the proposed groin in the position that was originally applied for and would propose the proper mitigation and compensation to address the small amount of impact.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Chairman Hawksworth asked for disposition of the application. The motion to amend the previously approved application as originally submitted was

made by Mr. Dolezal and seconded by Mrs. Sanders and carried unanimously with an 18 month time limit with the following condition: In originally submitted location with mitigation plans acceptable to staff.

New Business:

Permit extension request by Robert Cacciotti for:

Wetlands Application # 2012-0004 submitted by R & W Marine Construction on behalf of Timothy Mills. This request is to rebuild the existing 43' revetment by removing and re-installing on filter cloth and adding Class II Armor on top and install a 87' revetment channelward of the existing timber wall within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Rappahannock, at Tax Map Parcel # 40-78-13.

Chairman Hawksworth began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and Mr. Cacciotti.

Mr. Cacciotti indicated that he needed the extension to properly finish the structure.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Chairman Hawksworth asked for disposition of the extension request. The motion to extend the previously approved application was made by Mrs. Sanders and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously with an 18 month time limit.

Chairman Hawksworth announced that he will resign from the board effective December 31, 2013

Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted,

Wetlands Board Chair

Date