

## **Middlesex County Wetlands Board**

### **Minutes**

**January 8, 2013**

#### **Call to Order**

The January 8, 2013 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: **Tom Hawksworth – Chairman**

Monica Sanders - Vice Chairman

J. Miller Smither

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).

#### **Organizational Meeting (Election of Officers)**

Mr. Kretz assumed the Chair and asked for nominations for Chairman.

Mrs. Sanders nominated Mr. Hawksworth as Chairman; the motion was seconded by Mr. Smither, and carried unanimously.

Chairman Hawksworth assumed the Chair and asked for nominations for Vice Chairman.

Mr. Smither nominated Mrs. Sanders as Vice Chairman; the motion was seconded by Mr. Boyd, and carried unanimously.

#### **Minutes**

The Board considered the minutes of the December 11, 2012 meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mrs. Sanders and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

#### **Public Hearings**

**A. Wetlands Application # 2012-1616** submitted by Michelle Meredith on behalf of Eston Cosby. This request is to install an additional 1' height to the existing 200' x6' riprap and add 2' of riprap over a 13' x 6' hole. Install a 64'x4' vinyl jetty wall w/8'x4' return. Dredge under pier and boathouse within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Mill Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 30C-1-21.

Michelle Meredith was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public. There being no 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. Smither and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

**B. Wetlands Application # 2012-1624** submitted by Jessie Davis on behalf of Jose Valencia. This request is to Install 155' of 8' high timber bulkhead and install a 68' timber groin within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on the Rappahannock River, at Tax Map Parcel # 40-2-E-13.

Jessie Davis was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public. There being no 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.

Board Members noted that the site had not been adequately staked. Jose Valencia spoke and indicated that the stakes were removed by trespassers that visited the beach area.

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Chairman Hawksworth asked for disposition of the application. The motion to Table the application as submitted, until the February public hearing, was made by Mr. Smither and seconded by Mr. Armstead and carried unanimously with the following condition: Applicant to schedule an onsite meeting with staff to assure proper staking and plans to be revised to reflect required information.

**C. Wetlands Application #2012-1765** submitted by Jim Jessie on behalf of Kinloch Nelson. This request is to Replace 65' of existing failed bulkhead, remove existing bulkhead and replace in same footprint within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Chesapeake Bay, at Tax Map Parcel #46-2-16.

Jimmy Blake (for Jim Jessie) was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public. There being no 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. Armstead and seconded by Mrs. Sanders and carried unanimously.

**D. Coastal Primary Sand Dune Application #2012-1803** submitted by Mid-Atlantic Consulting on behalf of Myrtle Faulkner c/o John D. Davis. This request is to construct 187' of Class II quarry stone revetment. Remove old drain pipe from the beach, wetlands and river. Extend

existing drain pipe and install catch basin. Site will be accessed from the upland within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Rappahannock River, at Tax Map Parcel #28-11-2.

Karla Havens was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public. There being no 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. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

**E. Wetlands Application #2012-1815** submitted by Jim Jessie on behalf of Byrd Davenport. This request is to Remove existing failing bulkhead and rebuild wooden bulkhead in the same footprint within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Chesapeake Bay, at Tax Map Parcel #46-2-17.

Jimmy Blake (for Jim Jessie) was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Hawksworth opened the hearing for comments from the public. There being no 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 Mrs. Sanders and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

#### **Old Business:**

Staff and the Board continued Discussion on Storm Damage Policy. It was decided that Staff will assist The Board of Supervisors during a storm event and Staff will provide the Wetlands Board with Storm Damage Policy once it is established.

Mr. Dolezal presented and explained the project checklist that he was currently working on.

#### **New Business:**

**New Business:** Permit Extension Request by Louis & Barbara Stone (2011-0617)

**Wetlands Application # 2011-0617** submitted by Mid-Atlantic Resource Consulting on behalf of Louis W. & Barbara H. Stone. This request is to dredge an area adjacent to an existing pier to -4.0'

for boating access to pier. To install 58' of timber retaining wall on a spit adjacent to the dredge site to minimize the area to be dredged and provide beach nourishment to the inter tidal area within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Wilton Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 43-17-5 & 6. (Approved June 14, 2011)

There being no further questions or comments from the Board, Chairman Hawksworth asked for disposition of the permit extension request. The motion to approve the permit extension was made by Mr. Smither and seconded by Mrs. Sanders and carried unanimously.

Staff commended and thanked Chairman Smither for his service to The Wetlands Board. The Board also commended and thanked Chairman Smither for his service.

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Wetlands Board Chair

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Date