

## **Middlesex County Wetlands Board**

### **Minutes**

**July 12, 2016**

#### **Call to Order**

The July 12, 2016 meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Wesley Dolezal (Chairman), at 9:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Historic Courthouse, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: Wesley Dolezal – Chairman  
Monica Sanders-Vice Chairman  
Woodson Armstead  
John Boyd  
David Laughton (Absent)

Staff present: Dave Kretz, Zoning and Environmental Officer,

Also present was Mr. Mark Eversole from the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC).

#### **Minutes**

The Board considered the minutes of the June 14, 2016 meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

#### **Public Hearings**

- A. Wetlands Application # 2016-0686** submitted by GSC Commercial Services on behalf of Mill Creek Harbor c/o Bobby Yates. This request is to Perform a maintenance dredge to the entrance of Mill Creek Harbor canal to a depth of six feet through the canal to the harbor within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Mill Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 41-64-A..

Gary Cosby was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Dolezal opened the hearing for comments from the public.

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

Chairman Dolezal 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 Dolezal 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 with a 3 year time limit.

**B. Wetlands Application # 2016-0705** submitted by Andrew Anderson. This request is to Install rip-rap to fill in existing concrete barrier previously installed by VDOT along with wetlands planting landward of proposed structure within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Urbanna Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 20A-1-83.

Andrew Anderson was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Dolezal opened the hearing for comments from the public.

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

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

Board members noted that the site was not staked.

Chairman Dolezal indicated that the board had a consistent policy that a site has to be properly staked prior to the board taking action on the application.

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

The motion to Table the application as submitted, until the August meeting, was made by Mr. Boyd and seconded by Mrs. Sanders and carried unanimously.

**C. Wetlands Application # 2016-0823** submitted by Bay Design Group on behalf of Harvey Hill et al. This request is to In conjunction with remodeling of an existing marina; 1) Reconstruct and enlarge an existing boat ramp and add (2) piers and vinyl walls, 2) Install approx. 210' of Vinyl Bulkhead, 3) Install connecting pier to slips, 4) Rebuild existing western pier within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Locklies Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 30-7-3.

During the Staff report, it was noted by staff that Virginia Department of Transportation representatives indicated that there was a possible public interest in the western pier portion of the application located at the end of State Route 661 and recommended that the board not take action until an investigation could be performed.

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

Chairman Dolezal opened the hearing for comments from the public.

James Wassum, an adjoining property owner, indicated that he was concerned about the mitigation area as proposed. He noted that the area had always been wetlands containing Cord Grasses and therefore would not sufficiently mitigate the loss of wetlands created by the project. He also indicated that he did not oppose the rebuild but felt that the proposal was an expansion and not a rebuild of an existing marina.

Kit Robinson, an adjoining property owner, indicated that he supported the rebuilding of the marina but also had concerns that the proposal was an expansion and not solely a rebuild of an existing marina. Additionally, he conveyed concerns about impacts to the health of the creek.

Robert Sheldon spoke in support of the project and noted that more than 60 boats had been moored at the marina at one time in the past.

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

Chairman Dolezal began a brief period of questions and comments between the Board and the agent. Mr. Brownley requested that the board and staff provide their comments so he could address them prior to the next meeting.

Harvey Hill waived his right to the 30 day provision for final action being taken by the board.

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

The motion to Table the application as submitted, until the August meeting, was made by Mrs. Sanders and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried unanimously.

- D. Wetlands Application # 2016-0902** submitted by Mid-Atlantic Resource Consulting on behalf of Ernest Cashwell. This request is to Construct approximately 100' of quarry stone sill with beach nourishment and sprigging along with associated bank grading and stablization within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Meachim Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 30A-5-1.

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

Chairman Dolezal opened the hearing for comments from the public.

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

Chairman Dolezal 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 Dolezal 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 with an 18 month time limit.

### **Old Business:**

**Wetlands Application # 2016-0571** submitted by GSC commercial Service, LLC on behalf of Lud Kimbrough III. This request is to Install a new bulkhead in place of existing bulkhead. New bulkhead will be the same height and in the same footprint within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Jackson Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 40-54-1 & 2.

Gary Cosby was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project along with the new revisions. Mr. Cosby indicated that the new bulkhead will be constructed in front of the old bulkhead with the return walls and the tiebacks removed.

Chairman Dolezal opened the hearing for comments from the public.

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

Chairman Dolezal 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 Dolezal asked for disposition of the application.

The motion to defer the application to the Virginia Marine Resources Commission as submitted with revisions was made by Mrs. Sanders and seconded by Mr. Armstead and carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Wetlands Board Chair

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Date