

YORK COUNTY WETLANDS BOARD

Minutes of June 11, 2020

6:00 PM

At a meeting of the York County Wetlands Board held on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Public Works Administration Building located at 105 Service Drive, Yorktown, Virginia, those present were:

Board Members: Jeff Frye, Vice Chair
 Jan Allen- Remotely at 404 Tabb Lakes Drive, Yorktown
 Rebecca Yasky- Remotely at 220 Mastin Avenue, Seaford
 Timothy Smith
 Eric Ancarrow, Chair

Staff: Anna Drake, Stormwater Engineer II
 Barrett Nicks, Engineering Specialist I
 Allison Norris-Lay, VMRC- Remotely at 1343 Cornwall Place, Norfolk

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Eric Ancarrow, Chair.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The May 14, 2020 Wetlands Board minutes were approved by consensus

WETLANDS APPLICATIONS

- **Application 20-24, VMRC 20-0714 for Rebecca Sorice, (Applicant):** Request to install oyster bag living shoreline along the shoreline of the Back Creek at 112 Buckingham Drive.

Anna Drake presented the application, property maps, photographs, and drawings. She suggested using a 6-bag marsh toe sill (stacking 3 bags, 2 bags, 1 bag pyramid) as an option instead of the 3-bag marsh toe sill that was requested so that the structure is higher with a 3-foot wide base and would afford the shoreline more protection. All impacts would be to non-vegetated wetlands.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Zach Wolicki, part owner of 112 Buckingham Drive, came forward to address the Board. He pointed out areas in the PowerPoint slides showing the level of erosion. He wants to slowly restore the marsh to the level it was and gradually go up from there as per the Board and staff's suggestions. The Board said it was in his interest to ask for the larger structure so he didn't have to come back to get more approved.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board deliberated and stated that it was a good idea to do a gradual approach so the bags could be incorporated into the environment.

Mr. Frye motioned to approve Application 20-24, VMRC 20-0714 with revised drawings submitted May 15, 2020 and May 18, 2020 and with the additional condition that the property owners could expand to the six bag structure if need be at a later date.

The motion was approved on the following roll call:

Jan Allen	Yes
Rebecca Yasky	Yes
Timothy Smith	Yes
Jeff Fry	Yes
Eric Ancarrow	Yes

The Chair stated the application will be emailed for applicant to sign and notarize after the required 10-day appeal period.

- **Application 20-26, VMRC 20-0725 for Matt McQuillen, Tidewater Properties, (Agent) and Jennifer Edgerton, (Applicant):** Request to re-construct riprap revetment along the shoreline of the Thorofare to the York River at 1010 Dandy Loop Road.

Anna Drake presented the application, property maps, photographs, and drawings. She stated to the Board that this was a reconstruction project and not a new revetment. The revised drawings show the revetment moved landward 3-feet so as not to disturb the wetlands vegetation.

The Board inquired about the new regulations regarding living shorelines. Staff informed the Board those guidelines don't go into effect until July 1. After that date, applications will need to submit the reason why a living shoreline wasn't being incorporated into the project. Allison Lay with the VMRC concurred with Ms. Drake's statement. The other option after July would be for the revetment to be moved landward out of the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Matt McQuillen, Tidewater Properties of 1803 Dandy Loop Road, came forward to address the Board. He agrees with moving back the project 3-feet landward to lessen the impact on the wetlands.

The Board inquired if this was adding to or totally reconstructing riprap. Mr. McQuillen responded that all the old material will be torn out to cleanup shoreline and the structure will be reconstructed 3-feet farther back from the wetlands.

The Chair closed the public hearing.

The Board deliberated and decided this project will better protect the wetlands.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve Application 20-26, VMRC 20-0725 with the revised drawings submitted May 25, 2020 on the following roll call:

Jeff Frye	Yes
Jan Allen	Yes
Rebecca Yasky	Yes
Timothy Smith	Yes
Eric Ancarrow	Yes

The Chair stated the application will be emailed for the applicant/agent to sign and notarize after the required 10-day appeal period.

EXTENSIONS AND FINALS

- **Permit 18-17, VMRC 18-0648 for Karla Havens (Agent) and Carole-Sue Fiest (Property Owner):** Permit to reconstruct 91-feet of riprap revetment along the shoreline of the York River at 108 Dandy View Lane

Anna Drake presented before and after photos of the completed project. The Board agreed by consensus to approve the final inspection and close the permit.

- **Permit 18-19, VMRC 18-0746 for Johnnie and Rebecca West:** Permit to construct 301-feet of replacement bulkhead along the shoreline of Chisman Creek at 220 Robanna Drive

Anna Drake presented before and current photos of the project. The property owners are working on the project themselves and they requested a one- year extension. The Board agreed by consensus to approve the extension.

- **Permit 18-20, VMRC 18-0756 for Rick Epstein:** Permit to construct two sections of marsh toe stabilization, one section of riprap revetment, and bulkhead along the shoreline of the York River at 118 Dandy View Lane

Anna Drake presented before and current photos of the completed project. The Board agreed by consensus to approve the one year extension in order to allow Mr. Epstein time to finish the last section of marsh toe sill.

- **Permit 17-44, VMRC 17-1830, for Paul Morris (Agent) and Mark and Suzan Fusco (Property Owners):** Permit to construct 21-feet of marsh toe sill along the shoreline of Hunters Creek off the Poquoson River at 104 Woodhaven Drive

Anna Drake presented before photos of the project and stated the property owners had just purchased the property when they applied for the permit and have not yet begun the project. They are requesting a one-year extension. The Board agreed by consensus to approve the extension.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

July meeting: Staff informed the Board there will not be a July meeting

New Member: The Chair introduced Jan Allen and thanked her for participating.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm



Eric Ancarrow, Chair

8-13-2020

Date