

Middlesex County Wetlands Board

Minutes

June 13, 2023

Call to Order

The June 13, 2023, meeting of the Middlesex County Wetlands Board was called to order by Chairman Dolezal, at 10:00 A.M. in the Boardroom of the Historic Courthouse, Saluda, Virginia.

Present: Wesley Dolezal

Monica Sanders

Scotty Schafer

Woodson Armstead

John Boyd

Jay Woodward, VMRC Representative

Staff present: Marc Longest, Environmental and Code Compliance Officer

Absent:

Minutes

The Board considered the minutes of the May 9, 2023, meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Armstead and seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried with a 5-0 vote.

Public Hearings

A. Wetlands Application # 2023-0899 submitted by Gordon Lawrence. This request is the installation of 90'X6' of Class 1 Rip Rap Revetment and sand nourishment for vegetation with *Spartina alterniflora* in front of Rip Rap within the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The proposed project is located on Wilton Creek, at Tax Map Parcel # 43C-1-76. 40 Wilton Cove Dr

Jordan Clifford was present to represent the application and to explain the proposed project.

Chairman Dolezal opened the hearing for comments from the public.

Mr. Lawrence addressed the steps that were installed. He had built them in the past three weeks but would handle any issues with correcting.

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. Armstead & Mr. Boyd had no comments. Mr. Schafer questioned the sand retention, agent expressed that it is a low energy location and should stay with proper vegetation. Mr. Schafer noted there was a weight limit on access at HOA ramp, agent noted they were discussing the use along with the owner to access from the HOA ramp. Mrs. Sanders had no comment. Chairman Dolezal noted the living shoreline aspect, tide fluctuations, and confirmed that the Board could not authorize the use of the HOA access. Chairman Dolezal confirmed that any damaged areas would be fixed – yes per agent. Mr. Woodward advised the agent to remove the small portion below MLW to avoid any impacts or permit requirements from VMRC.

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. Boyd and seconded by Mr. Armstead and carried with a 5-0 Vote with an 18 Month time limit with the following conditions:

1. Provide a monitoring and replacement schedule for two years for the vegetation.
2. Provide revision of the added steps

Old Business: By-Law changes were discussed and approved.

New Business:

Changes in the advertising of meetings. New designs and materials, alternative materials.

Adjournment:

Mr. Armstead made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Mr. Boyd and carried 5-0 Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Wetlands Board Chair

Date