

MINUTES
JAMES CITY COUNTY CHESAPEAKE BAY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
County Government Center, Building F
101 Mounts Bay Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185
October 10, 2018
5:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Chesapeake Bay Board meeting for October 10, 2018, was Called to Order.

The responsibility of this Board is to carry out locally the Commonwealth policy to protect against and minimize pollution and deposition of sediment in wetlands, streams and lakes in James City County, which are tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay.

B. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:

David Gussman, Chair
Larry Waltrip
John Hughes
Charles Roadley

Board Members Absent:

William Apperson, Vice Chair

County Staff Present:

Michael Woolson, Secretary to the Board, Senior Watershed Planner, Stormwater and Resource Protection
Liz Parman, Assistant County Attorney
Trevor Long, Watershed Planner, Stormwater and Resource Protection
Janice Petty, Assistant, Stormwater and Resource Protection

C. MINUTES

1. Minutes from the September 26, 2018, regular meeting

The minutes from the September 26, 2018, regular meeting were approved as written. Mr. Gussman made the motion to accept the minutes.

Minutes were approved by voice vote.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. CBPA 18-0123 : 102 Walton Heath

The applicant has requested a deferral until the next Chesapeake Bay Board meeting, December 12, 2018.

Mr. Gussman opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Hughes made a motion to defer until the December 12, 2018, Board meeting at 5 p.m., the application for Chesapeake Bay Board Case No. CBPA-18-0123 at 102 Walton Heath.

The motion was approved: 4-0

Ayes: Roadley, Waltrip, Gussman, Hughes

Nays: None

Absent: Apperson

2. CBPA 18-0148 : Busch Gardens, Festa Italia

Mr. Piotr Swietuchowski of Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB), on behalf of Seaworld Parks & Entertainment, LLC, has applied for a Chesapeake Bay Exception for encroachments into the Resource Protection Area buffer for the expansion of Festa Italia on property located at 7851 Pocahontas Trail within the James River watershed. The property is otherwise known as Busch Gardens Williamsburg and is further identified as James City County Tax Map Parcel No. 5140100009. Staff has reviewed the Sensitive Area Activity application and exception request and has determined impacts associated with the proposal to be major for the proposed development. Staff recommends approval of the application with conditions.

The Board deliberated on the pros and cons of this application.

Mr. Gussman asked about the drainage for the project and the Rhine River.

Mr. Hughes asked about the source of water for the Rhine River.

Mr. Gussman opened the Public Hearing.

A. Ms. Suzy Cheely, Director of Design and Engineering at Busch Gardens, Williamsburg, addressed the Board and responded to questions.

Mr. Gussman asked about the steps, measures and precautions that would be undertaken to protect the Colonial Pipeline during construction.

A. Ms. Cheely addressed Mr. Gussman's concerns.

Mr. Hughes inquired about the length of the project.

A. Ms. Cheely responded less than a year.

Mr. Roadley asked if staff had seen the site plan.

Mr. Woolson responded that staff had seen the plan. Mr. Woolson confirmed that the pipeline constrains the project on one side and the Rhine River constrains the project on the other side.

Mr. Gussman closed the Public Hearing, as no one else wished to speak.

Mr. Roadley made a motion to grant the application for Chesapeake Bay Board Case No. CBPA-18-0148 at 7851 Pocahontas Trail.

The motion was approved: 4-0

Ayes: Roadley, Waltrip, Gussman, Hughes
Nays: None
Absent: Apperson

E. BOARD CONSIDERATIONS

None.


F. MATTERS OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGE

Mr. Woolson announced that the Board of Supervisors reappointed both Mr. Charles Roadley and Mr. Louis Bott for another term.


Staff is working on Emergency Permit procedures, to be presented at a future meeting.

G. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.



David Gussman
Chair, Chesapeake Bay Board



Michael Woolson
Secretary to the Board