

WETLANDS BOARD

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 13, 1991

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mr. Lindsey  
Mr. Hughes  
Mr. Gussman  
Ms. McCleary  
Mr. Cobb

OTHERS PRESENT:

John B. Patton Code Compliance Officer acting for  
Bernard M. Farmer, Jr. Secretary to the Board  
Jay Lipscomb, VMRC

B. MINUTES

The minutes of the August 14, 1991, meeting were approved as presented.

C. OLD BUSINESS

None

D. NEW BUSINESS

W-13-91. Richard T. & Lillian J. Southall

Mr. Patton presented the staff report stating that Mr. and Mrs Southall have applied for a wetlands permit to construct one hundred fifteen (115') feet of tongue and groove bulkhead and a twenty four by ten (24X10) foot boat lift at 4106 South Riverside Drive in the Chickahominy Haven subdivision. Independent site visits were conducted by County Staff, Jay Libscomb of VMRC, and Tom Barnard of VIMS. The site is on a man made canal and the wetlands involved consists of a mud and sand flat mixed community. The shore line is scalloped and irregular with mature pine trees abutting the edge of the canal. There is evidence of moderate continuing erosion reaching to the root structure of some of the pine trees on the bank. There is an existing "T" dock on the property. There are existing bulkheads with approximately six (6) foot long return walls at each end of the property. VIMS estimates that approximately two hundred seventy five (275) square feet of nonvegetated wetlands would be lost with the proposed construction. It is VIMS conclusion that the project as proposed will not have

a significant adverse impact on the wetland resources.

The staff recommended that a wetlands permit be issued for 115 feet of tongue and groove bulkhead and the proposed open pile boat lift with the following conditions:

1. The bulkhead be constructed as shown on the application so as to minimize the loss of wetlands and tie in to the existing bulkheads at either end of the property.
2. That a building permit be obtained prior to beginning construction.
3. That the applicant contact the Code Compliance Office for an inspection of the filter cloth and tiebacks prior to backfilling.
4. This permit term shall expire on November 13, 1992.

Mr. Patton presented the Board with pictures of the site.

Mr. Hughes asked for clarification of the placement of the bulkhead and whether or not it was going to be a straight line from existing bulkhead to existing bulkhead.

Mr. Patton explained that it was designed with a bow landward, by having two almost straight segments joining at the existing dock.

Mr. Lindsey opened the public hearing.

Mr. Southall addressed the Board and explained what he wanted and his desire to stop any further erosion to save his mature pine trees.

Mr. Lindsey closed the public hearing.

Mr. Hughes moved to approve the permit with staff's recommendations.

The vote for approval was unanimous.

#### **E. MATTERS OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGE**

Mr. Patton provided copies of the news paper ad for next months meeting. He also informed the Board that Mrs Wanda Heath, owner of the Jamestown Marina on Neck-O-Land Road, was reapplying

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for wetland permit W-14-90 that had expired on August 8, 1991. She had been unable to get Health Department approval until September of this year and had failed to ask the Board for an extension of the permit before it expired. Bulkhead repair and maintenance will be permitted in the mean time to preclude total failure.

Mr. Hughes reminded the Board that it was time to elect a Chair and Vice Chairman for next year. He asked Mr. Lindsey if would be willing to Chair the Board for another year. Mr. Lindsey said he was willing but would be happy to give another member an opportunity. Mr. Hughes nominated Mr. Lindsey to be Chairman of the Wetlands Board for next year. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Cobb and unanimously accepted.

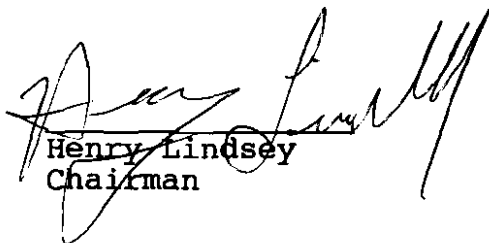
Mr. Lindsey asked if any member wanted to volunteer to be Vice Chairman. Mr Cobb nominated Mr. Hughes to be Vice Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Lindsey and unanimously accepted.

Mr. Cobb described an article from the Richmond Times Dispatch of March 14, 1991 and requested that a copy be sent to each member with the minutes of the meeting.

There being no further business Mr. Cobb moved to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.

F. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

  
Henry Lindsey  
Chairman

  
Bernard M. Farmer  
Secretary