

WETLANDS BOARD

MINUTES

MARCH 9, 1994

A. **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

ABSENT

Mr. Lindsey  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. Gussman  
Mr. Hughes  
Ms. McCleary

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Bernard M. Farmer, Jr. Secretary to the Board  
Jay Lipscomb, VMRC

B. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 15, 1993 meeting were approved as presented.

C. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

D. **NEW BUSINESS**

W-1-94; Jamestown 4-H Educational Center, Inc.

Mr. Farmer presented the staff report stating that the Jamestown 4-H Educational Center has applied for a wetlands permit to construct approximately 370 linear feet of rip rap revetment and wall reinforcement at 3751 4-H Club Road along the James River. The property is further identified as parcel (1-3) found of James City County Real Estate Tax Map (46-3). The property in question consists of moderately eroding shoreline along the James River. Representatives from SEAS, VIMS, VMRC and Code Compliance visited the site. The shore line consists of a bank that varies from almost a vertical embankment 15 feet high to an area with a slope of 3 to 1 that has about 3 foot scour. The shoreline is partially protected by an old concrete bulkhead. The bulkhead is low and is regularly subject to over-wash at high tides. It has failed in a few places and is showing distress in several others. Most of the

shore line along the steep bank is heavily treed with many of the trees being undercut. The work proposed is obviously justified and necessary, it would be desirable as funds become available to reinforce the entire shore line at this location. Therefore it is the staff's recommendation that a wetlands permit as per the application be issued for this project with the following conditions:

1. The SEAS report, SPS #92347, should be followed to the maximum extent possible with regard to tree removal and revegetation.
2. The scoured area between the northern steps and the bulkhead should be backfilled and revegetated with *Spartina patens*.
3. The wooden bulkhead beneath the Aquatic Center must be removed and replaced with rip rap as shown on the application.
4. All rip rap armor stone used should weight at least 100 lbs per stone. Core stone beyond the two layers of armor stone may be smaller.
5. This permit shall expire March 9, 1996.

Mr. Lindsey opened the public hearing.

Marcia Meador spoke on behalf of the 4-H Educational Center and stated their interest in trying to preserve the shoreline.

Mr. Gene Daniel, Extension Agent for Gloucester County and on the Board of Directors for the Center spoke of his work with similar projects and thoroughly supports this project.

Mr. Lindsey closed the public hearing.

There being no further discussion from the board, Ms. McCleary moved for approval of the application with the staff's conditions. It was approved unanimously.

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


Mr. Farmer gave the Board an update on the Walker Ware Case.

There was discussion among the Board members of Lake Powell Dam failure.

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**F. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

  
Henry Lindsey  
Chairman

  
Bernard M. Farmer, Jr.  
Secretary