

**MINUTES**  
**JAMES CITY COUNTY WETLANDS BOARD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**County Government Center, Building F**  
**101 Mounts Bay Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185**  
**June 14, 2017**  
**7:00 PM**

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The Wetlands Board meeting for June 14, 2017, was Called to Order.

The responsibility of this Board is to carry out locally the Commonwealth policy to preserve the wetlands and to accommodate economic activity so as to prevent their despoliation.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**Board Members Present:**

John Hughes - Chair  
David Gussman  
Charles Roadley  
Larry Waltrip

**Absent:**

William Apperson

**Others Present:**

County Staff (Staff):  
Michael Woolson, Senior Watershed Planner  
Ashley Tatge, Inspector, Engineering and Resource Protection  
Liz Parman, Assistant County Attorney  
Melanie Davis, Secretary to the Board  
Mark Eversole, Virginia Marine Resource Commission (VMRC)

**C. MINUTES**

1. May 10, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the May 10, 2017 regular meeting were approved as written.

**D. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. W-27-17 / VMRC 17-0769 : 7588 Uncles Neck

Ms. Ashley Tatge presented the wetlands permit request submitted by Karla Havens, Mid-Atlantic Resource Consulting, on behalf of property owners, Michael and Maureen O'Brien. The permit request was to install a 100-linear-foot quarry stone riprap revetment at 7588 Uncles Neck, within the Chickahominy River watershed. The property is further identified as James City County Real Estate Tax Map Parcel No. 2010200022. The presentation described the current site conditions as well as the location and construction of the proposed revetment. Ms. Tatge described a

previously approved wetlands permit on this property that included beach nourishment and plantings. When completed, these plantings will serve as mitigation for this revetment project. Staff determined this project met the required criteria and recommended approval with the conditions outlined in the Resolution.

Mr. Hughes asked if there was a time limit on installation of the plantings in the previous case since they were being used as mitigation for this case.

Mr. Woolson explained the previous case had just received a one-year extension. Also, the \$3,000 surety requirement for this case will guarantee the mitigation regardless of the previous case completion.

Mr. Roadley asked if the bank would be graded behind this proposed revetment to ease the erosion.

Mr. Waltrip asked if the area would be stabilized.

Mr. Woolson stated there would be minimal bank grading and the area would be stabilized once construction was completed.

Mr. Hughes opened and then closed the Public Hearing as no one wished to speak.

Mr. Roadley made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Grant the Permit for Wetlands Board Case No. W-27-17/VMRC 17-0769 at 7588 Uncles Neck.

The motion was approved: 4-0

Ayes: Roadley, Waltrip, Gussman, Hughes

2. W-26-17 / VMRC 17-0748 :164 The Maine

Mr. Michael Woolson presented the wetlands permit request submitted by Daniel Winall of Water's Edge Construction, on behalf of property owner, Mr. Jeffrey Moore. The permit request was to modify the recently constructed wetlands project by installing a 30-foot extension to the existing breakwater, installing an 82-foot timber retaining wall at the toe of the existing slope above mean high water and adding beach sand nourishment in the existing embayment, up to the proposed retaining wall. The project is located at 164 The Maine, within the James River Watershed and is further identified as James City County Real Estate Tax Map Parcel No. 4540200055. The presentation described the current site conditions and the proposed modifications. Staff determined this project met the required criteria and recommended approval with the conditions outlined in the Resolution.

Mr. Roadley asked for more information about the existing erosion.

Mr. Woolson re-displayed the photograph of the erosion at the toe of the slope and explained the purpose of the proposed retaining wall was to prevent this.

Mr. Hughes opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Roadley asked the applicant where the wave attack was coming from that was causing the erosion and asked if the proposed retaining wall might not cause more

problems in a severe storm event.

A. Mr. David Brown, on behalf of Daniel Winall, believed the erosion was also caused by runoff from the slope on the property and the intent was to slow it down and infiltrate it through the proposed retaining wall and existing revetment. He described the design of the retaining wall that would prevent the storm event erosion Mr. Roadley described.

Mr. Roadley asked if anyone had considered plantings to stabilize the erosion at the marsh toe to the west of his property.

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

The Board members agreed the existing condition needed to be corrected.

Mr. Roadley stated Mr. Winall was experienced in resolving these issues and he would therefore support the proposal.

Mr. Roadley made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Grant the Permit for Wetlands Board Case No. W-26-17/VMRC 17-0748 at 164 The Maine.

The motion was approved: 4-0

Ayes: Roadley, Waltrip, Gussman, Hughes

## **E. BOARD CONSIDERATIONS**

### **1. W-15-15 / VMRC 15-0684 : 132 and 134 Shellbank Drive**

Mr. Woolson presented the permit extension requested by Mr. Danny Winall, Water's Edge Construction, on behalf of property owners, Paul and Karen Reilly. The permit is for a living shoreline project at 132 and 134 Shellbank Drive, at the mouth of Shellbank Creek. The permit was issued in 2015, extended to 2016 and this request is for an additional one-year extension.

Mr. Gussman made a motion to adopt the Resolution to Grant the Permit Extension for Wetlands Board Case No. W-15-15/VMRC 15-0684 at 132 and 134 Shellbank Drive.

The motion was approved: 4-1

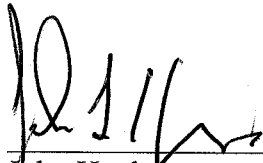
Ayes: Roadley, Waltrip, Gussman, Hughes

## **F. MATTERS OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGE**

None

## **G. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



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John Hughes  
Wetlands Board Chair



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Melanie Davis  
Secretary to the Board