

**Virginia: At a meeting of the Accomack County Wetlands Board, held in the chambers of the Board of Supervisors on the 26th day of January, 2012, A.D.**

**Members present:**

Mr. George T. Parker, Chairman  
Mr. Earl B. Frederick, Vice-Chairman  
Mr. C. Lee Davis  
Mr. George H. Ward, Jr.

Mr. David Fluhart, Secretary  
Mrs. Marie E. Fox, Recording Secretary

**Alternate Members Present:**

Mr. Gene Wayne Taylor

**Others present:**

Mr. Hank Badger, VMRC  
Mr. Rich Morrison, Director of Planning and Community Development

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**1). ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. George T. Parker, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:00 AM and turned it over to Mr. Fluhart for election of new officers.

Mr. Fluhart opened the meeting as Chairman Protemp and opened nominations for Chairman. Mr. Davis nominated Mr. Parker as Chairman, Mr. Ward seconded the motion.

There were no other nominations.

Mr. Fluhart called for a vote of Mr. Parker as Chairman. Ayes: Mr. Davis, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Ward, Mr. Taylor.

**At this time, Mr. Fluhart turned the meeting over to Mr. Parker, Chairman**

Mr. Parker called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Mr. Parker nominated Mr. Frederick for Vice-Chairman. Mr. Ward seconded the motion.

There were no other nominations.

Mr. Parker called for a vote on the motion. Ayes: Mr. Parker, Mr. Davis, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Ward.

**At this time, the meeting was called to order by Chairman George T. Parker, and opened to a public hearing at 10 AM. All applications are approved for a one year period from the date of this hearing, unless specifically noted. All applicants, speakers and representatives are sworn in before the Board on the following wetlands applications:**

**This Board is aware of and complies as closely as possible to the objectives of the Virginia Marine Resource Commission's Wetlands Policy of No Net Loss.**

**2). MINUTES**

After a correction, Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of the Thursday, December 15, 2011 meeting as corrected. Mr. Frederick seconded the motion. Ayes: Mr. George T. Parker, Mr. Earl B. Frederick, Mr. C. Lee Davis, Mr. George H. Ward, Jr., Mr. Gene Wayne Taylor.

**3). NEW BUSINESS**

**1). An after-the-fact application from Brian Collins, VMRC #11-1672, After-the-fact permit with revisions to 1) maintain approximately 112-foot of after-the-fact riprap, 2) install an additional 48-foot of rip rap, 3) re-furbish an existing berm to accommodate proposed riprap, and 4) rebuild existing 5-foot X 210-foot private pier with a 10-foot X 25-foot T-head in the same footprint, at 19565 Quinby Bridge Road, Quinby, Virginia, TM #121-A-68.**

Ms. Ellen Grimes of Coastal Resource Management appeared before the board to

represent this after-the-fact permit. Ms. Grimes advised the proposal was to leave the existing after-the-fact rip rap and modify the application to add 48 feet more, for a total length of 160'.

Ms. Grimes explained in detail the proposal in regards to the existing berm and fringe marsh and the construction details, which did not include removal of the existing riprap to install filter cloth.

Mr. Fluhart advised he had visited the site and noted the area was highly dynamic and needs some repair.

A discussion ensued regarding the fact that a portion of this project is an after-the-fact and will need to be resolved either by removing the existing concrete and replacing it properly or totally restoring the area as it was prior to the violation, which could mean removing the rubble and installing filter clothe and then replacing the riprap or as Ms. Grimes requested to install filter cloth over the existing rubble and then add more rubble.

At this time, Mr. Davis made a motion to continue this request until new drawings could be submitted showing the proper installation of filter clothe under the existing rip rap and the proposed rip rap. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Ayes: Mr. Parker, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Davis, Mr. Ward, Mr. Taylor.

**2). An application from Far Point, LLC, VMRC #11-1126, For the installation of riprap, with a 10' return wall, thereby impacting wetlands, along the shoreline of property located at 27080 Underhill Point Road, near Onancock, Virginia. TM #90A-2-8**

Mr. Grant Cooley, of Shore Engineering, appeared before the board to represent this application. Mr. Cooley explained the proposal was located on the eastern end of the

property and the riprap would be placed in line with the existing bulkhead located east of the Far Point property. He further advised there is a shoreline erosion problem in the dock area on the western side.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve this application as presented. Mr. Frederick seconded the motion. Ayes: Mr. Parker, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Davis, Mr. Ward, Mr. Taylor.

**3). An application from Charles Williams, VMRC #10-1972, a modification to install a low-profile bulkhead, thereby impacting wetlands at 37488 Bayside Drive, Captain's Cove, Greenbackville, Virginia. TM #5A1-1-987**

Mr. Charles Williams appeared before the Board to represent his application. Mr. Williams advised the board the original bulkhead was not installed properly by the contractor. Mr. Williams is requesting a modification to install a low profile bulkhead impacting none vegetated wetlands.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Davis made a motion to approve this application as presented. Mr. Frederick seconded the motion. Ayes: Mr. Parker, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Davis, Mr. Ward, Mr. Taylor.

**4). An application from Trisha Aveta, VMRC #11-1671 for the installation of a bulkhead with two return walls, thereby impacting wetlands at 7145 Silver Sails Landing, Chincoteague, Virginia. TM #30A3-22-9A**

Mr. Raymond Britton, Jr., of BIC, Inc., appeared before the board to represent this application. He advised this proposal was located in Silver Sails and has an irregular shoreline. He further stated that both adjacent property owners have previously bulkheaded their property and this proposal will connect into the existing bulkheads.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Davis made a motion to approve this application as presented. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Ayes: Mr. Parker, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Davis, Mr. Ward, Mr. Taylor.

4). **DISCUSSION-LIVING SHORELINE QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE**

Mr. Fluhart advised he forwarded a letter to VMRC regarding the Living Shoreline Questionnaire as directed by the Wetlands Board, but as of yet had not received a response.

Mr. Hank Badger, of VMRC advised the letter was received by VMRC, but not too sure the board would receive a response. He further advised there will be additional public hearings and information distributed regarding the procedure for an application for a living shoreline in the future.

**NASA – UNMANNED AERIAL SUPPORT AIRSTRIP**

Mr. Fluhart advised the board of an Environmental Assessment regarding the UAS Airstrip proposed by NASA and further stated this will not be located within the jurisdiction of the Accomack County Wetlands Board, and will no impact vegetated wetlands, according to the proposal.

Mr. Fluhart stated he will be forwarding a letter to NASA in response for comments regarding the Environmental Assessment and that the Joint Permit Application that has been submitted indicates the proposal will be outside of the Board's jurisdiction. Mr. Parker requested to include in the correspondence that if vegetated wetlands would be impacted in the Board's jurisdiction, that a wetlands permit from Accomack County would be required.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 AM. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Ayes: Mr. Parker, Mr. Frederick, Mr. Davis, Mr. Ward, Mr. Taylor.

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Mr. George T. Parker, Chairman