NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY WETLANDS BOARD NOVEMBER 10, 2024 MINUTES

At the regular monthly meeting of the Northumberland County Wetlands Board held on November 10, 2024 in the Sheriff's Office in Heathsville, Virginia at 7:00 PM:

Present

Spencer Headley – Acting Chairman Albert Fisher – Vice-Chairman George Rew Robert Vanlandingham

Spencer Headley - Acting-Chairman, called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Robert Vanlandingham, seconded by George Rew, the minutes of the October 8, 2024 meeting were unanimously approved.

Application No. 24-2237

Joseph E. Armsworthy – to install 176 linear feet of riprap revetment along the shoreline of Kingscote Creek and 528 Kingscote Drive.

Roger McKinley, agent for the owner, described the project. He said that a living shoreline was considered but, after talking to contractors, the owners decided to install a revetment. He also noted that the 12-foot base on a sill would put it up next to his boats, as his pier is very short. He stated that Part A and Part B will be landward of all wetland vegetation.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kramer, adjoining property owners, were present and expressed concerns regarding the project.

After review of the project, Albert Fisher made a motion to approve the application for 3 years with no impacts to wetland vegetation. George Rew seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Application No. 24-2268

Susan Brueser – to install 290 linear feet of riprap revetment channelward of a failing bulkhead and eroding bank along the shoreline of Cod Creek and 109 Hideaway Lane.

Joseph Scott, agent for the owner, described the project. He noted the only other option would be considerable grading.

Albert Fisher noted that this is a volatile area with a long fetch.

It was noted that the house is very close to the water.

After review of the project and there being no objections, Robert Vanlandingham made a motion to approve the application for three years. Albert Fisher seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Application No. 24-2312

Mark Hogan – for an after-the-fact permit to allow and add additional stone to 55 linear feet of riprap sill along the shoreline of Cranes Creek and 92 Hall Farm Drive.

Joseph Scott, agent, and Mark Hogan, owner, were present. Joseph Scott described the project and explained that Mr. Hogan was unaware that a permit would be required.

Spencer Headley asked Philip Marston what action the County had taken. Philip Marston said that after-the-fact fees were required and paid.

After a discussion as to what would be the best modifications to be made, Philip Marston noted that a VIMS report could be requested.

Spencer Headley said that it's a good idea.

After further discussion, Albert Fisher made a motion to table the project until the December meeting in order to obtain a VIMS report on the project. Robert Vanlandingham seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Application No. 24-2283

James W. Kaufman. – to install 64 linear feet of armor stone revetment along the shoreline of the Potomac River and Tax Map Parcel #18-A(2)-3-A on Candy Point Road.

Roger McKinley, agent for the owner, described the project.

Jeff Madden noted for the record that the reason the project is before the Board is that it involves a jurisdictional beach.

After review of the project and there being no objections, Albert Fisher made a motion to approve the application as submitted for three years. George Rew seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Application No. 24-2430

Geraldine Ludwig. – to install 101 linear feet of riprap revetment along the shoreline of Indian Creek and Tax Map Parcel #53-A(6)-4 on Ute Road.

Joseph Scott, agent for the owner, described the project. He noted that this is in a dredged canal and a living shoreline would not be possible.

Albert Fisher agreed, noting that the sides are mostly fill dirt.

After review of the project and there being no objections, Robert Vanlandingham made a motion to approve the application for three years and to be installed behind all wetland vegetation. George Rew seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Robert Vanlandingham seconded by George Rew, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn.