



**WETLANDS BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
2401 COURTHOUSE DRIVE
VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA 23456

DECEMBER 20, 2021
10:00 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN, JOASHUA SCHULMAN, PRESIDING
VICE CHAIR, JASON BARNEY
SUNTEMPLE HELGREN
BENJAMIN J. MCFARLANE
JAMES T. VAIL
CINDY HAWKS WHITE

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STEPHEN BALLARD
KATIE CRUM
EMILY STEINHILBER

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**WETLANDS BOARD
VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES**

The December 2021 Public Hearing Meeting for the Virginia Beach Wetlands Board was called to order by the Chair, Joashua Schulman, in the Council Chamber, 2401 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23456 at 9:58 AM, December 20, 2021.

Chair Schulman welcomed all, stated the responsible charge of the Wetlands Board, as delineated in the Virginia State Code and announced appeals are available through the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) within ten (10) days of this Board's decision.

Approval expires one (1) year from the date it is granted. A permit is normally extended, but not an approval. Applicants are advised to obtain their permit within no more than thirty (30) days of their Hearing. Extensions must be requested before the expiration date.

Chair Schulman acknowledged each applicant and/or agent for the applicant and administered the oath truth and honor.

The Chair stated that as required by law four (4) affirmative votes are required for an approval of a permit application. The Clerk announced that the Wetlands Minutes of November 15, 2021, was approved, as distributed, and acknowledged quorum was present.

The slide presentation for each application site was rendered by Ms. Whitney McNamara.

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2021

Upon Motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Mr. Barney, the November 15, 2021, Minutes was **APPROVED, AS DISTRIBUTED.**

VOTE: 4-0

MEMBERS VOTING AYE:

Jason Barney, Benjamin J. McFarlane, Joashua Schulman
and James T. Vail

MEMBERS VOTING NAY:

None

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Stephen Ballard
Katie Crum
Emily Steinhilber

MEMBERS ABSTAINING:

SunTemple Helgren
Cindy Hawks White

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Schulman asked if there was any nomination or discussion on the floor.

Upon nomination and motion by Mr. Vail, seconded by Ms. White, the Board verified the reelection of officers as **Joashua Schulman, Chairman** and **Jason Barney, Vice Chair** for 2022 to serve for a one (1) year term.

VOTE: 6-0

MEMBERS VOTING AYE:

Jason Barney, SunTemple Helgren, Benjamin McFarlane,
Joashua Schulman, James T. Vail and Cindy Hawks White

MEMBERS VOTING NAY:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Stephen Ballard
Katie Crum
Emily Steinhilber

MEMBERS ABSTAINING:

KRAMBIAS PROPERTIES, LLC
APPLICATION NO.: 2019-WTRA-00237

PROJECT: To construct a marsh sill and rip rap involving wetlands

PROJECT LOCATION: 921 Bobolink Drive, contiguous to Linkhorn Bay

REQUEST: One (1) Year Extension of Time

SPEAKER: **FOR** – David Kledzik, Marine Engineering, LLC

Upon motion by Mr. Barney, seconded by Mr. Vail, the requests of Krambias Properties, LLC, for an extension of time **was GRANTED.**

VOTE: **5-0**

MEMBERS VOTING AYE:

Jason Barney, SunTemple Helgren, Benjamin McFarlane,
Joashua Schulman, and James T. Vail

MEMBERS VOTING NAY:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Stephen Ballard
Katie Crum
Emily Steinhilber

MEMBERS ABSTAINING:

Cindy Hawks White

Ms. White abstained due to the applicant being a prior client of Keller Williams Realty.

December 20, 2021

Robert J. "Bobby" Tajan
Planning and Community Development Department
2875 Sabre Street
Suite 500
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

Re: Abstention Pursuant to the Conflicts of Interests Act, Va. Code Section 2.2-3115(F)

Dear Mr. Tajan:

Pursuant to the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act, I make the following declaration:

1. I am executing this written disclosure regarding the Wetlands Board's discussion and vote on December 20, 2021 – Agenda Item 2, located at 921 Bobolink Drive, GPIN 2418-22-7567.
2. The applicant, Krambias Properties, LLC, is a prior client of mine. My place of employment is Keller Williams Realty and is located at 968 First Colonial Road, #104, Virginia Beach VA 23454.
3. As the applicants are my prior clients, I will abstain from this vote.

Please record this declaration in the official records of the Wetlands Board. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy Hawks White". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cindy Hawks White
Wetlands Board Member

ALEX AND MARY BETH MITCHUM
APPLICATION No.: 2020-WTRA-00333

PROJECT: To construct riprap revetment and sill and plant vegetation involving wetlands

PROJECT LOCATION: 848 Linbay Drive, contiguous to Linkhorn Bay

SPEAKER: **FOR** – Billy Garrington, Government Permitting Consultants, Agent for Applicant

Upon motion by Mr. Barney, seconded by Mr. Vail, the application of **Alex and Mary Beth Mitchum** was **APPROVED, AS MODIFIED, WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

1. The two (2) proposed sills shall be connected and extended from points 4 to 7 on Sheet 2 of the plans for 848 Linbay Drive sealed on October 24, 2021.
2. The marsh planting area shall use *Spartina Alterniflora* below Mean High Water and *Spartina Patens* above Mean High Water.
3. Following installation of the wetlands vegetation, an annual vegetation monitoring report shall be submitted to the Department of Planning and Community Development in mid-August for three (3) years following approval. The annual report shall include photographs and a re-vegetation plan for any areas of where the vegetation has failed to establish.
4. The existing stone and concrete wall with associated rubble shall either be used as core material for the rip rap revetment or disposed of in a lawful manner off-site.
5. Concrete rubble and rocks with oyster growth on them shall be preserved during construction and placed along the rip rap revetment at or below mean low water after construction is complete.
6. Plans shall be revised to clearly delineate Mean High Water and Mean Low Water on all sheets.
7. Revised plans shall be submitted to the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) and ultimately approved by the Department of Planning and Community Development prior to the issuance of a building permit.

No Net Loss of wetlands on this project was achieved by the use of on-site compensation.

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VOTE: 6-0

MEMBERS VOTING AYE:

Jason Barney, SunTemple Helgren, Benjamin McFarlane,
Joashua Schulman, James T. Vail and Cindy Hawks White

MEMBERS VOTING NAY:


MEMBERS ABSENT:

Stephen Ballard
Katie Crum
Emily Steinhilber


MEMBERS ABSTAINING:

At 10:14 AM the December 20, 2021, Public Hearing of the Virginia Beach Wetlands Board was adjourned by the Chair, Joashua Schulman.

The comments of the Planning Department are on file with the City of Virginia Beach Planning Department.



Jennifer A. Grundler
Deputy City Clerk II



Joashua Schulman, Chair
Wetlands Board