

CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH WETLANDS BOARD MINUTES

January 17, 2024

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER BUILDING 1 2401 COURTHOUSE DRIVE VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA 23456

JANUARY 17, 2024 10:00 AM

JASON BARNEY, CHAIR, PRESIDING

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Jason Barney	Chair	Present
David Bradley	Board Member	Present
Paul Holley	Board Member (Alternate)	Excused
Jarrod Katzer	Board Member	Present
Ben McFarlane	Board Member	Present
Emily Steinhilber	Board Member	Present
James Vail	Board Member	Present
Cindy Hawks White	Vice Chair	Present

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WETLANDS BOARD VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES

The January 2024, Public Hearing Meeting for the Virginia Beach Wetlands Board was called to order by Chair Jason Barney in the Council Chamber, 2401 Courthouse Drive, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23456 at 10:04 AM, January 17, 2024.

Chair Barney 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 three (3) years from the date it is granted. Applicants are advised to obtain their permit within no more than thirty (30) days of their Hearing.

Chair Barney 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 quorum was present and that the Wetlands Minutes of December 18, 2023 was approved, as distributed.

The slide presentation for each application site was rendered by Ms. Heaven L. Manning.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Upon Motion by Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Katzer, the December 18, 2023, Minutes was **APPROVED**, **AS DISTRIBUTED**.

RESULT: 6-0 APPROVED, AS DISTRIBUTED

MOVER: Cindy Hawks White, Vice Chair, Board Member

SECONDER: Jarrod Katzer, Board Member

AYES: Barney, Bradley, Katzer, McFarlane, Vail and White

ABSTAINED: Steinhilber

G. RANDALL AND DONNA E. STICKLEY [APPLICANTS & OWNERS] 2023-WTRA-00253

PROJECT: To construct a bulkhead involving wetlands.

Location: 1698 South Woodside Lane contiguous to Eastern Branch Lynnhaven River

SPEAKER: FOR – None

Upon motion by Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Vail, the application of **G. Randall** and **Donna E. Stickley** was **APPROVED**, **AS SUBMITTED**.

No Net Loss of wetlands on this project was achieved by the payment of an In-lieu fee.

RESULT: 7-0 APPROVED, [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Cindy Hawks White, Vice Chair, Board Member

SECONDER: James Vail, Board Member

AYES: Barney, Bradley, Katzer, McFarlane, Steinhilber, Vail and White

Robert A. and Rita S. Bellitto [Applicants & Owners] 2023-WTRA-00255

PROJECT: To construct a bulkhead and return walls involving wetlands.

Location: 2909 Sand Bend Road contiguous to Bass Inlet

SPEAKER: FOR – David Harmeyer, Waterfront Consulting, Inc., Agent for Applicant

Upon motion by Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Vail, the application of **Robert A.** and **Rita S. Bellitto** was **Approved**, **As Modified**, **WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:**

- The proposed project requires an encroachment agreement with the City of Virginia Beach. Such an agreement shall be obtained prior to issuance of a building permit.
- 2. The L-head platform and appurtenant floating docking platform shall not exceed, in the aggregate, 400 square feet.
- 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 payment of an In-lieu fee.

RESULT: 7-0 APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Cindy Hawks White, Vice Chair, Board Member

SECONDER: James Vail, Board Member

AYES: Barney, Bradley, Katzer, McFarlane, Steinhilber, Vail and White

RICHARD T. JEFFRIES, III [APPLICANT] RICHARD T. JEFFRIES III TRUST & TANYA A. BROWN TRUST [OWNERS] 2023-WTRA-00256

PROJECT: To construct a rip rap revetment involving wetlands

Location: 1344 Starling Court contiguous to Linkhorn Bay

SPEAKER: FOR – None

Upon motion by Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Katzer, the application of **Richard T. Jeffries, III / Richard T. Jeffries III Trust** and **Tanya A. Brown Trust** was **APPROVED, AS SUBMITTED.**

No Net Loss of wetlands on this project was achieved by the use of on-site compensation and payment of an In-lieu fee.

RESULT: 7-0 APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Cindy Hawks White, Vice Chair, Board Member

SECONDER: Jarrod Katzer, Board Member

AYES: Barney, Bradley, Katzer, McFarlane, Steinhilber, Vail and White

Board	At 10:22 AM the was adjourned by t	•	•	Hearing of	of the	Virginia	Beach	Wetlands
Planni	The comments of ng Department.	the Planning	Department	are on file	with t	he City	of Virgir	nia Beach

Jennifer A. Grundler Deputy City Clerk II Jason Barney, Chair Wetlands Board