

1 **ACCOMACK COUNTY WETLANDS BOARD MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2024**

2 At a meeting of the Accomack County Wetlands Board held on the 22nd day of FEBRUARY 2024 in the
3 Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, in Accomac, Virginia.

4 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

5 **MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT**

6 Wetland Board Members Present
7 Mr. T. Lee Byrd, Chairman
8 Mr. George Ward, Vice Chairman
9 Mr. Gene Wayne Taylor
10 Mr. Timothy Getek
11 Mr. George H. Badger

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13 **Others Present:**

14 Ms. Chontese Ridley, Planner I
15 Ms. Beth Nunnally, Environmental Planner II
16 Ms. Claire Gorman, Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC)

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18 **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

19 There being a quorum, Chairman Byrd called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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21 **2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

22 **On a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Ward, the Wetlands Board**
23 **voted to approve the agenda.**

24 **3. MINUTES**

25 **A. January 25, 2024**

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27 **On a motion made by Mr. Getek and seconded by Mr. Badger, the Wetlands**
28 **Board voted to approve the January 25 2024 minutes.**

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30 **4. OLD BUSINESS**

31 **A. Jack Bradshaw - VMRC# 2023- 2361**

32 Proposed construction of a new bulkhead two feet in front of the existing bulkhead, located in
33 the Captain's Cove subdivision of Greenbackville, VA 23356, tax map#(s) 5A3-1-1342.

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35 Mr. Byrd said new drawings had been submitted and asked Ms. Nunnally to be sworn
36 in and to give the Board an update on the project.

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38 Ms. Nunnally, (Environmental Programs), appeared before the Wetlands Board and
39 was sworn in by Chairman Byrd.
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41 Ms. Nunnally said this JPA had been continued from the previous month due to having
42 questions about the alignment of the bulkhead.

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44 Ms. Nunnally gave a synopsis of the project adding that the new bulkhead to the north
45 had not been installed at the last meeting, but was now in place. That addition made the
46 previous drawings that were submitted correct.

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48 Ms. Nunnally stated that 38 square feet of non-vegetated wetlands would be impacted
49 at a total cost of \$684.00 in mitigation fees.

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51 Ms. Nunnally said Mr. Britton was present to answer questions that were left
52 unanswered from the January meeting.

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54 Mr. Raymond Britton, (BIC, Inc.), appeared before the Wetlands Board on behalf of
55 the applicant and was sworn in by Chairman Byrd.

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57 Mr. Britton said he would be tying into the bulkhead on the north and there would be a
58 return wall there. The bulkhead does not come out 2 feet where the connection needs
59 to be made for a straight alignment warranting a short return wall.

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61 Mr. Britton said he also be tying into the existing bulkhead on the south side.

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63 **CHAIRMAN BYRD OPENED THE FLOOR TO PUBLIC COMMENT**
64 Mr. Byrd asked if there was anyone who wished to comment on application 2023-
65 2361.

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67 No one wished to comment.

68 **CHAIRMAN BYRD CLOSED THE FLOOR TO PUBLIC COMMENT**

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70 Mr. Getek asked Mr. Britton if he thought a more fortified return wall was needed on
71 the south side into the land, and Mr. Britton said no. Mr. Britton would be tying into
72 the neighbor's sheathing.

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74 Mr. Taylor asked Mr. Britton why the homeowner wanted to go 2 feet out.

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76 Mr. Getek said the thought going out 2 feet was a standard set up by the US Army
77 Corps of Engineers because they did not want debris from old bulkheads getting into
78 the canal.

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80 Mr. Britton said he was going to keep it as close as he could.

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82 Mr. Badger said everything that was channel ward, (in the canal), from the existing
83 bulkhead was out of the Wetlands Board's jurisdiction. The only portion of the
84 project in the Board's jurisdiction was the 38 square feet of non-vegetated being
85 filled.

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87 Ms. Claire Gorman, (VMRC), appeared before the Wetlands Board and was sworn in
88 by Chairman Byrd.

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90 Mr. Getek asked Ms. Gorman if she was happy with the square footage indicated for
91 mitigation, and Ms. Gorman said she had no comments.

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93 Mr. Taylor pointed out that the wetlands were created by the failed bulkhead, and that
94 if it had been kept up the wetlands would not exist.

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96 **On a motion made by Mr. Getek and seconded by Mr. Badger, the Wetlands**
97 **Board voted to issue a permit, valid for (2) years, for Jack Bradshaw - VMRC#**
98 **2023- 2361 for the proposed construction of a new bulkhead two feet in front of**
99 **the existing bulkhead with the following conditions:**

100 *1. Pay \$684.00 into mitigation fund for 38 square feet of impacts to non-*
101 *vegetated wetlands.*

102 **The property is located in the Captain's Cove subdivision of Greenbackville, VA**
103 **23356, tax map#(s) 5A3-1-1342.**

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105 **B. Genivaldo Pereira- VMRC# 2023- 2415**

106 Proposed replacement of the existing bulkhead with a new vinyl bulkhead, located in the
107 Captain's Cove subdivision of Greenbackville, VA 23356, tax map#(s) 5A1-1-960.

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109 Ms. Nunnally stated that this application was continued from the January meeting.

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111 Ms. Nunnally gave a synopsis of the project adding that there was 54 square feet of
112 impacts to non-vegetated wetlands totaling \$972.00 of in-lieu fees.

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114 Mr. Getek pointed out a discrepancy with the square footage of impacts on the drawing,
115 and Ms. Nunnally said the correct number was on page 17 of the application.

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117 Ms. Nunnally said she would have the drawing revised before the permit was released.

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119 Mr. Raymond Britton, (BIC, Inc.), appeared before the Wetlands Board on behalf of
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122 Mr. Britton said he was going to tie the bulkhead in on both sides.

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124 **CHAIRMAN BYRD OPENED THE FLOOR TO PUBLIC COMMENT**

125 Mr. Byrd asked if there was anyone who wished to comment on application 2023-
126 2415.

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128 No one wished to comment.

129 **CHAIRMAN BYRD CLOSED THE FLOOR TO PUBLIC COMMENT**

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131 Mr. Getek said the bulkhead on the north side was already extending out 2 feet and
132 asked, to confirm, that it would be connected there.

133 Mr. Getek also stated that the bulkhead on the other side did not stick out and asked
134 Mr. Britton he was going to angle back to it.

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136 Mr. Britton said he was leaving sheathing for that property owner to tie in.

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138 Mr. Badger asked if there was a return wall on the north or if they would be tying in
139 directly.

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141 Mr. Britton said he would tie in directly, and there would be 2 feet return walls on
142 both sides.

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144 Mr. Badger asked if the drawings were correct.

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146 Ms. Nunnally said the drawings did not have the exact measurements on them.

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148 Mr. Byrd said the number needed to be revised before the permit could be issued.

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150 Mr. Byrd asked Ms. Gorman if she had any comments and Ms. Gorman said she had
151 no comments.

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153 Mr. Badger said the Board's jurisdiction was behind the existing bulkhead where it
154 was intertidal. The board was only addressing the fill.

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156 **On a motion made by Mr. Getek and seconded by Mr. Taylor, the Wetlands Board**
157 **voted to issue a permit, valid for (2) years for Genivaldo Pereira - VMRC# 2023-**
158 **2415 for the proposed replacement of the existing bulkhead with a new vinyl**
159 **bulkhead with the following conditions:**

- 160 *1. Revised Drawings showing the proper tie-ins and square footage*
161 *2. Pay \$972.00 into mitigation fund for 54 square feet of impacts to non-*
162 *vegetated wetlands.*

163 **The property is located in the Captain's Cove subdivision of Greenbackville, VA**
164 **23356, tax map#(s) 5A1-1-960.**

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166 **6. NEXT MEETING**

167 The next Wetlands Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the
168 Accomack County Board Chambers, Room 104, in Accomac, VA.

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170 **7. ADJOURNMENT**

171 **On a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Ward, the Wetlands Board**
172 **voted to adjourn the meeting.**

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174 The meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

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T. Lee Byrd, Chairman

Chontese Ridley, Environmental Permit Specialist