

1 **ACCOMACK COUNTY WETLANDS BOARD MINUTES OF February 27, 2025**

2 At a meeting of the Accomack County Wetlands Board held on the 27th day of February, 2025 in the
3 Accomack County Administration Building Board Chambers, Room #104, in Accomac, Virginia.

4 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

5 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

6 **Wetland Board Members Present**

7 Mr. T. Lee Byrd, Chairman

8 Mr. George Ward, Vice Chairman

9 Mr. Gene Wayne Taylor

10 Mr. George H. Badger

11 Mr. Timothy Getek

12 **Others Present:**

13 Ms. Julie Floyd, Environmental Permit Specialist

14 Ms. Ginger Harmon, Administrative Assistant

15 Mr. Paul Watson, Deputy Director of Code Enforcement

16 Mr. Lee Pambid, Deputy County Administrator

17 Ms. Claire Gorman, Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC)

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19 **2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

20 **On a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Getek,**
21 **the Wetlands Board voted to approve the agenda.**

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23 **3. MINUTES**

24 **On a motion made by Mr. Getek and seconded by Mr. Badger,**
25 **the Wetlands Board voted to approve the January, 2025 minutes.**

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27 **4. OLD BUSINESS**

28 **No Old Business**

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30 **5. NEW BUSINESS**

31 **A. JPA 2024-2834 Freedom Mortgage Corporation**

32 Paul Watson was sworn in and gave a synopsis of the project.

33 The contractor, Jonathan Mudd was sworn in and answered questions from the
34 Board.

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

37 Mr. Byrd asked if there was anyone who wished to comment on application 2024-
38 2834.

39 No one wished to comment.

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

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43 After some discussion the board was ready to make a motion.

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45 **On a motion made by Mr. Getek and seconded by Mr. Badger, the Wetlands**
46 **Board voted unanimously to issue a permit, valid for two (2) years, to Freedom**
47 **Mortgage Corporation - VMRC# 2024-2834 for the replacement of a failing**
48 **bulkhead in Schooner Bay with the following conditions:**

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50 **1. *A mitigation fee of \$1,800 for 10 square feet of vegetated and 90 square***
51 ***feet of non-vegetated wetlands impacts is to be paid.***

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53 **The property is located in the Schooner Bay Subdivision in Onancock,**
54 **Virginia.**

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56 *All parties are advised that the foregoing determination grants no authority to*
57 *encroach on the property rights of others.*

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59 **B. JPA 2024-2592 David Kieffer &**
60 **C. JPA 2024-2590 David Schlotter**

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62 Mr. Watson gave a synopsis of the 2 projects that are side-by-side in the
63 Captain’s Cove Subdivision.
64 Mr. Charles Ward, the agent, was sworn in and provided more information
65 on the projects for the Board.
66 Ms. Claire Gorman was sworn in and provided more information on the
67 projects.

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

70 Mr. Byrd asked if there was anyone who wished to comment on either JPA 2024-
71 2592 or JPA 2024-2590.
72 No one wished to comment.

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

75 After some discussion the board was ready to make a motion.

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77 **On a motion made by Mr. Getek and seconded by Mr. Ward, the Wetlands**
78 **Board voted to approve both of the applications for 2 years with the condition**
79 **that any biological life be relocated as much as possible.**

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81 **The properties are located in the Captain’s Cove Subdivision., Greenbackville,**
82 **VA 23356**

84 *All parties are advised that the foregoing determination grants no authority to*
85 *encroach on the property rights of others.*

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88 **6. OTHER BUSINESS**

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90 **A. Policies and Procedures**

91 Mr. Paul Watson gave the Board an update on the policies and procedures manual
92 that is being created and delivered a new draft.

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94 **B. Environmental Staff Report**

- 95 • Deadlines have changed and the application process and dates were given to the
96 Board.
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- 98 • Discussion about BIC violation.
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- 100 • Discussion about the USACOE taking part of an Accomack In-Lieu fee.

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102 **7. NEXT MEETING**

103 The next Wetlands Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 27, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the
104 Accomack County Board Chambers, Room 104, in Accomac, VA.

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107 **8. ADJOURNMENT**

108 **On a motion made by Mr. Taylor and seconded by Mr. Getek,**
109 **the Wetlands Board voted to adjourn the meeting.**

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111 The meeting was adjourned at 10:51 PM.

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115 T. Lee Byrd, Chairman

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Date

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119 Julie Crockett Floyd, Environmental Permit Specialist

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Date