

**STAFFORD COUNTY WETLANDS BOARD MINUTES**  
**February 26, 2018**

The monthly meeting of the Stafford County Wetlands Board of February 26, 2018, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Joseph Fiorello, Environmental Planner with the Department of Planning and Zoning, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers in the George L. Gordon, Jr., Government Center.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Don Adams, Andy Pineau, Ben Rudasill and Mary Rust

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sue Henderson, Jim Riutta and Frank Rubio

STAFF PRESENT: Joseph Fiorello and Denise Knighting

GUEST: None

A. Call to Order

Mr. Fiorello called the meeting of the Stafford Wetlands Board to order and ask Ms. Knighting to call roll.

B. Roll Call

C. Determination of a Quorum

Ms. Knighting called roll and stated there was a quorum with four members present.

D. Public Presentations

Mr. Fiorello stated there were no public presentations and moved on to election of officers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. Election of Chairman

Mr. Fiorello stated the next item on the agenda was the election of Chairman and asked if there were any nominations.

Mr. Rudasill nominated Mr. Pineau.

Mr. Adams seconded.

Mr. Fiorello asked Mr. Pineau if he would accept the nomination.

Mr. Pineau stated yes.

With no other nominations Mr. Fiorello passed the meeting over the Mr. Pineau.

2. Election of Vice-Chairman

Mr. Pineau opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman.

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Mr. Adams nominated Mrs. Rust.

Mr. Rudasill seconded.

Mr. Pineau asked Mrs. Rust if she would accept the nomination.

Mrs. Rust stated yes.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

Mr. Pineau moved on to approval of minutes.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

September 18, 2017

Mr. Rudasill made a motion to approve the September 18, 2017 minutes.

Mrs. Rust seconded.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

October 16, 2017

Mr. Rudasill made a motion to approve the October 16, 2017 minutes.

Mrs. Rust seconded.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

3. Wetlands Permit WB18-01 - A request for a two year a two year extension of the modified permit (WB16-01) for CSX Transportation, Inc., applicant, to construct a 50-foot long section of riprap revetment to protect Retaining Wall 5 and new riprap revetment 700-feet long to protect the third rail along the Potomac River with additional impacts to tidal wetlands, within and along the CSX right-of-way.

Mr. Fiorello stated the Board was to consider a two year extension of the modified permit WB16-01 for CSX Transportation, Inc., applicant, to construct a 50-foot long section of riprap revetment to protect Retaining Wall 5 and new riprap revetment 700-feet long to protect the third rail along the Potomac River

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with additional impacts to tidal wetlands, within and along the CSX right-of-way. He stated the Board had the following alternatives, 1) Adopt proposed Resolution WB18-01 which approves the request for a two year extension with previously approved conditions. 2) Adopt proposed Resolution WB18-02 which denies the request, or 3) Take no action at this time.

Mr. Pineau stated since there was no one present representing the applicant he would open it for the Board to discuss.

Mrs. Rust asked Mr. Fiorello when he last did a site visit.

Mr. Fiorello stated January 2017.

Mr. Pineau referenced the section of the applicant's letter which stated "Since impacts at Retaining Wall 5 and Area B were not included in the original project design, CSXT is currently performing an engineering and geotechnical study of these areas to fully understand the best repair alternative or option". He asked if the Board should wait until the studies were finished.

Mr. Fiorello stated the applicant assured him there were be no changes to the modification permit approved in 2016.

Mrs. Rust stated in her opinion, the project was a probably going to come back for another extension when this permit expired, based on the size of the project.

Mr. Pineau stated he did not have an objection to the extension he was just not sure if the studies would change the impacts to the wetlands.

Mr. Fiorello stated Jonathan Allen assured him there would be no additional impacts. He stated the VMRC permit would also expire in two years.

Mr. Pineau stated it would be better if the study was complete. He asked Mr. Fiorello when the next site visit would be.

Mr. Fiorello stated upon completion. He stated if there were changes, they would have to come in with another modification.

Mrs. Rust made a motion to approve the extension.

Mr. Rudasill seconded.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Pineau stated he had no report and moved on to staff report.

STAFF REPORT

2018 Meeting Dates

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Mr. Fiorello advised the Board there was a list of the 2018 meeting dates in their packages. He explained January and February dates were changed because the regular meeting days were holidays and the County offices were closed. He also stated there was no new business to discuss at the March meeting and asked if the Board would like to cancel the meeting.

Mr. Pineau made a motion to accept the 2018 meeting dates.

Mrs. Rust seconded.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

Mr. Pineau made a motion to cancel the March Wetlands Board meeting as there was no business to discuss.

Mrs. Rust seconded.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Rudasill made a motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Rust seconded.

The motion passed 4-0 (Mrs. Henderson, Mr. Rubio and Mr. Riutta were absent).

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.