

YORK COUNTY CHESAPEAKE BAY BOARD

Minutes of March 24, 2021

A meeting of the York County Chesapeake Bay Board was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room in the Public Works Administration Building, located at 105 Service Drive, Yorktown, Virginia. This meeting was done with staff, Michael Woolson, and five Board members present and the remaining members of the Board participating remotely through Zoom due to Covid-19. Those present were:

Board Members Present:

Michael Woolson, Chair
Jerry Patterson
Paul Brindza
Richard Wheat
Brad Berrane
Ricky Edgerton

Staff Present:

Kent Henkel, Environmental Specialist II
Barrett Nicks, Environmental Specialist I
Jennifer Wilson, Administrative Assistant III
Justin Atkins, Assistant County Attorney

Board Members Participating Remotely

Julius Johnson- 102 Jennings Dr.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Chair, Michael Woolson

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Chair opened the Chesapeake Bay Board's public comment period; no one came forward; the public comment period was closed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve the December 2, 2020 minutes was made by Mr. Brindza and they were approved by consensus.

Note: PowerPoint slides were shown throughout the public hearing.

CHESAPEAKE BAY EXCEPTIONS/APPEALS

- **Exception 2021-026 for Joseph and Dawn Antonelli at 816 B Railway Rd:**
Request to construct a house, deck and driveway in the RPA buffer along Chisman Creek

Kent Henkel, presented the application, the project history, photographs of the site and described what vegetative mitigation would be required should the Board approve the application.

Board inquired why the existing house and some trees were removed. Staff responded that as they have a survey with existing square footage they are allowed to do demolition prior to Board meeting. Some trees and shrubs around the old house were removed. The house has been flooded a couple of times and needed to be torn down.

Board also questioned how old comparison houses in area were. Staff responded that most were at least approximately 15-20 years old or older. Staff was asked if there had been discussion with applicants about moving house so it is mostly out of RPA. It had been stated in letter but no response was received pertaining to location of house.

The Chair opened the public hearing.

Joseph Antonelli of 816 B Railway Rd came forward. They looked at proposal to move house, but they don't like how close to the property line that makes it. The large size of the house is due to many factors including their need for home office, school room for home schooled children, and main living area all downstairs due to wife's health issues. They removed 2 extra structures and the gazebo to try to reduce the impacts to the RPA. They are also proposing to remove additional concrete and use pavers instead of concrete for sidewalks and driveways. They are requesting that the Board reduce some of the mitigation requirements due to costs.

Ken Earley of 11 Hensleys Way Poquoson, (Builder), came forward to discuss the amount of concrete being removed so that the area of impervious cover would be drastically reduced.

Jeffrey Coleman of 820 Railway came forward. He was concerned about the amount of trees and vegetation that had been removed. The width of the driveway at his end was 9-feet in width. His part of the driveway and the entrance to the road and culvert were being destroyed by construction vehicles. Mr. Coleman wished that the new property owners would have spoken to him and his wife before embarking on this project. He stated the maintenance agreement proposed by the applicants for the driveway that had been sent to him had no mention of a cost, therefore, they did not sign it.

The public hearing was closed.

The Board discussed the amounts of square footage with what was being removed and trying to keep garage. The best outcome Board foresees is house being moved partially out of the RPA for enough of a reduction in square feet in the RPA to meet the requirements for redevelopment. They suggest working with Staff to see if this can be accomplished versus a Board decision.

A motion was made by Mr. Wheat to table application 21-026 until the Board meeting on April 28, 2021 at 6 pm in the multi-purpose room of Public Works located at 105 Service Dr.

The motion was approved on the following roll call:

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| Jerry Patterson | Yes |
| Paul Brindza | Yes |
| Brad Berrane | Yes |
| Ricky Edgerton | Yes |
| Julius Johnson | Yes |
| Richard Wheat | Yes |
| Michael Woolson, Chair | Yes |

Mr. Woolson declared the Application has been tabled until April 28, 2021 at 6 pm in the multi-purpose room of Public Works located at 105 Service Dr.

NEW BUSINESS

There will be an April meeting

OLD BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.



Michael Woolson, Chair

4/28/21

Date