

**Town of West Point
Wetlands Board
June 19, 2018**

I. Call to Order

The West Point Wetlands Board held its regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday, June 19, 2018. Chairman Charles Redd called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Charles Redd, Chairman
Linda Smith, Vice-Chairman
Stuart Daniel
Chase Evans
Garland E. Jenkins

Also Present: Holly N. McGowan, Director of Community Development
Shari Carnell, Recording Aide
Randy Owen, VMRC Representative
Captain Harvey, West Point Volunteer Fire Department
Alicia Randall, Delta Marine Construction

II. Review of Agenda

Chairman Redd asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were no changes. Members voted "Aye" to proceed with agenda as presented.

III. Citizens Address the Board

Chairman Redd opened the floor for the Wetlands Board to receive comments on any town related business. There being none, the Citizens Address the Board portion of the meeting was closed.

IV. Public Hearing

A. West Point Volunteer Fire Department, case # VMRC#2018-0484

Chairman Redd opened the public hearing and asked if anyone would like to speak on behalf of the proposed project for the West Point Volunteer Fire Department.

Ms. McGowan was asked to give a brief description about the proposed project for the West Point Volunteer Fire Department. Ms. McGowan stated that the Wetlands Board had received an application requesting authorization to re-deck an existing commercial pier and construct an open-sided boathouse property on 410 Glass Island Rd situated along the Mattaponi River, which is owned by Milby Oil Company in the Town of West Point. Keith Goodwin, with the Army Core of Engineers, provided Ms. McGowan with some information for the West Point Volunteer Fire Department project, stating that the project qualifies for core regional permit, which is the nationwide standard permit. There was a question that was mentioned during the

site visit asking if the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries will have any issues with the proposed project and the access to the pier. Ms. McGowan stated that the Department of Inland Fisheries had no issues with the proposed project from an email that was sent to the Fire Department dated 02/13/18.

Captain Harvey stated, "There is a rising need for marine rescue and that the proposed project will aide in that need by cutting time off of the amount of time it takes to get the rescue boat to save lives. Currently, the Fire Department has to walk through the marsh, which during high tide is difficult with all the necessary gear needed for emergencies. The metal stairs also contribute to the difficulties during emergencies. The proposed project will save lives by allowing the Fire Department to get to emergency sites in a timely efficient manner." The Fire Department also mentioned that they are able to establish funding for this project.

The Wetlands Board members had some questions about the proposed ramp. From the information provided there was no information about the actual construction of the ramp and dock, or any specification drawings or plans. There were pictures of what currently exist, and a marking of where the ramp would be. Ms. Randall of Delta Marine explained that the ramp and dock will be constructed in the same manner, removing the metal steps and marking of where the proposed ramp will be. Mr. Chase asked how the West Point Volunteer Fire Department planned to limit access to the pier. Captain Harvey and Ms. Randall both stated that there will be a gate limiting access to the pier, and eventually an additional gate will be added to the boathouse. There was a question also asking about railings on the dock. Ms. McGowan stated that she would speak to the building official about what the building code says about railings for docks.

The Wetlands Board members continued to inquire about the specifications of the proposed construction and stated that they would prefer to be provided with a more detailed drawing of the proposed construction with a front view and side view stating elevation and actual measurements.

Chairman Redd closed the public hearing.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion to recommend approval of the proposed project for the West Point Volunteer Fire Department project contingent upon receiving more detailed drawings and the Town of West Point Building Officials approval for code compliance. Mr. Daniel seconded the motion. Upon roll call Mr. Daniel, Mr. Evans, Mr. Redd, Ms. Smith, and Mr. Jenkins all responded "Aye". Motion carried.

V. Adoption of Minutes

Mr. Jenkins made a motion to adopt the minutes from the May 15, 2018 Wetlands Board meeting. Mr. Evans seconded the motion. All in favor responded "Aye." No one opposed. Motion carried.

VI. Old Business

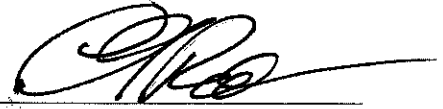
There was no old business to be discussed.

VII. Set Next Meeting Date

The next Wetland Board meeting is set for July 17, 2018.

VIII. **Motion to Adjourn**

Ms. Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All in favor responded "Aye". No one opposed. Chairman Redd adjourned the meeting.



Charles T. Redd, Chairman
West Point Wetlands Board

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