



Mathews County Board of Zoning Appeals

Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS OF MATHEWS COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD IN THE MATHEWS COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE ON AUGUST 16TH, 2023 AT 7:00 PM.

Board of Zoning Appeals

Members Present:

Sonny Fauver, Chair
Peter Clendenin, Vice Chair
Tim Doss, Member
Susan Thomas, Member
Tom Robinson, Member

Members Absent:

Also Present:

James Knighton, Director of Planning & Zoning
Heather Thomas, Wetlands, Marine Projects, and Zoning Technician

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

2. INVOCATION

Mr. Fauver gave an invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ROLL CALL / ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Heather Thomas called roll and established a quorum was present.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. JULY 12TH SUMMARY AND VERBATIM MINUTES

MOTION: On Motion of Mr. Doss, seconded by Mr. Robinson, the Mathews County Board of Zoning Appeals voted 5-0-0 as follows: five - aye; zero - nay; to table the minutes for the July 12th meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

David Fauver, Chair - Aye
Peter Clendenin, Vice Chair - Aye
Susan Thomas, Member - Aye
Tim Doss, Member - Aye
Tom Robinson, member- Aye

After discussion, the board decided to table the minutes to review due to them being verbatim.

6. REVIEW OF PUBLIC HEARING PROCEDURE

Mr. Fauver read the public hearing procedure.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **9-V-23: James & Julia Sochacki**, Applicant requests a variance from the Mathews County Zoning Ordinance as follows: Section 175-22.11, .16 to reduce the one hundred (100) foot resource protection area buffer to zero (0) feet for the allowance of a single family dwelling. The property is identified as Parcel 36 (A) 164, 412 Piney Point Rd and is zoned Residential-1 (R-1).

MOTION: On Motion of Mr. Clendenin, seconded by Mr. Robinson, the Mathews County Board of Zoning Appeals voted 4-0-1 as follows: four - aye; zero - nay; one - abstain: to approve 9-V-23.

Roll Call Vote:
David Fauver, Chair - Aye
Peter Clendenin, Vice Chair - Aye
Susan Thomas, Member -Abstain
Tim Doss, Member - Aye
Tom Robinson, member-Aye

Mr. Knighton read the staff report to the board members.

Mrs. Thomas asked about the POD and mitigation.

Mr. Fauver asked for speakers for, against and neither. There were no speakers.

Mr. Fauver asked if any board members had any final questions or comments for Mr. Knighton. Mrs. Thomas asked that the planning

The public hearing was closed.

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. OTHER MATTERS

Mrs. Thomas read the letter she composed to respond to the Board of Supervisors comments and recent decisions. Mr. Doss and Mr. Robinson echoed their agreement. This was discussed by the board members. Mr. Fauver asked what Mrs. Thomas what she would like the board to take action on. Mrs. Thomas stated she would like the board to decide if they should go forward with it or not. Further discussion was had by the board members as to what action should be taken. The decision was made to discuss this matter with the attorney and copies of the letter were handed out to the board members for review.

10. ADJOURNMENT

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ON A MOTION BY MR. CLENDENIN AND
SECONDED BY MR. DOSS, THIS MEETING WAS DECLARED ADJOURNED.**