



Mathews County Wetland Board

Wednesday, June 3, 2026 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WETLANDS BOARD OF MATHEWS COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD IN THE MATHEWS COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE ON June 3, 2026 AT 7:00 PM.

WetlandsBoard

Members Present: Katy Walden, Chair
Melody Goodwin, Member
Daniel Desmond, Member
Nick Koch, Member
David Rowland

Members Absent: Richard Marshall

Also Present: Teresa Sanger, Wetlands & Marine Projects Coordinator
Mike Johnson, VMRC

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR OF THE WETLANDS BOARD.

2. ROLL CALL

Teresa Sanger called roll and established that a quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 6, 2026, Wetlands Meeting Minutes

MOTION: On Motion of Dan Desmond to approve the May 6, 2026, minutes, seconded by Mr. Koch, the Mathews County Wetlands Board voted 5-0-0 as follows: Mr Desmond, Mr. Koch, David Rowland, Melody Goodwin, Katy Walden - aye; None - nay.

4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Walden reviewed the public hearing procedure.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.A.

Katrina Smith, 314 Bay Shore Point Road, VMRC 26-0653, TM# 38-A-42 - Request to remove an existing riprap revetment and replace with a 22'x150' revetment with Class II stone, using existing riprap as a core. Construct a 10'x150'x2' berm composed of compacted fill dirt, with a portion under the revetment, along a section of the Mobjack Bay shoreline.

MOTION: On Motion of Dan Desmond, seconded by David Rowland, the Mathews County Wetlands Board voted 5-0-0 as follows: Five - aye; None - nay; **NOT to approve VMRC 26-0653** with the rationale being **not to approve**, the project is not necessary, it seems to be effectively preventing erosion of the property today, and any uplands work needs to go to Planning & Zoning for upland's maintenance.

Roll Call:

Katy Walden, Chair - aye

David Rowland, Alternate - aye

Daniel Desmond, Member - aye

Melody Goodwin, Member - aye

Nicholas Koch, Member -aye

5.B.

Michael Dowd, 1743 Point Breeze Road, VMRC 26-0694, TM# 17-2-3 - Request to construct a 220' armor stone sill with Class II & III stone, 70 cu. yds. of sand nourishment and 1300 sq. ft. of wetland plantings, along a portion of Stutts Creek shoreline.

MOTION: On Motion of Nicholas Koch, seconded by David Rowland, the Mathews County Wetlands Board voted 4-0-0 as follows: Four (4) aye; One (1) nay; **Four aye to Approve VMRC 26-0694** with the rationale being, it's a difficult situation, however, the property owner is trying to do the right thing in protecting and preserving the property.

Roll Call:

Katy Walden, Chair - aye

David Rowland, Member - aye

Daniel Desmond, Member - **nay**

Melody Goodwin, Member - aye

Nicholas Koch, Member - aye

5.C.

James Martin, 649 Cobbs Creek Lane, VMRC 26-0745, 4-A-139A - Request to construct two offshore breakwaters, approximately 100' & 36' in length, using Class I & II Armor stone, and a 124' marsh toe sill with backfill and Spartina Alterniflora plantings, maintenance of existing revetment with Class I stone, along a section of the Piankatank River.

MOTION: On Motion of David Rowland, seconded by Nicholas Koch, the Mathews County Wetlands Board voted 5-0-0 as follows: Five - aye; None - nay; **to Approve VMRC 26-0745** with the rationale being Dan already iterated, there are three different parts to the project, the northernmost is to prevent erosion of the uplands which is occurring using rock, the middle portion is to preserve and protect wetlands, and the third is to enhance the existing rip-rap.

Roll Call:

Katy Walden, Chair - aye

David Rowland, Alternate - aye
Daniel Desmond, Member - aye
Melody Goodwin, Member - aye
Nicholas Koch, Member - aye

5.D.

Donald Korb, 81 Island Drive, VMRC 26-0807, TM# 11A413 -4A - After The Fact Application to request, a 5'x43' timber bulkhead in the same footprint with a 10' return, and 5'x8'timber steps to the water, and demo existing 4'x60' timber groin in the same footprint, along a portion of Chesapeake Bay shoreline.

MOTION: On Motion of Nicholas Koch, seconded by Dan Desmond, the Mathews County Wetlands Board voted 5-0-0 as follows: Five - aye; None - nay; **to Approve VMRC 26-0807** with the rationale being this is in need of repair due to its failure and required to protect the property.

Roll Call:

Katy Walden, Chair - aye
David Rowland, Alternate - aye
Daniel Desmond, Member - aye
Melody Goodwin, Member - aye
Nicholas Koch, Member - aye

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

7. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

8. VIOLATIONS

There was none.

9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

10. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were none.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Walden adjourned the meeting.



Teresa Sanger, Marine & Wetlands
Projects Coordinator



Katy J. Walden, Chairman
Mathews County Wetlands Board