

SEVERN RIVER COMMISSION
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 4, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.
Severn Room, 2664 Riva Road, 4th Floor

	Attendance Record
Members Present: Sara Phillips, Vice Chair	2/2
Lex Birney	2/2
Jim Burdick	2/2
Bill Kardash	2/2
Daniel Roche	2/2
Kurt Riegel	1/2
Dick Spencer	2/2
Guests and Staff: Bret Anderson, South Annapolis Yacht Centre	
Gail Kenson	
Erica Jackson, AACo, DPW/WPRP	
Meghan Spencer, AACo. DPW/WPRP	
Ilisa Tawney, AACo, DPW/WPRP	
Members Absent: Charlie Kreter, Chair	1/2
Scott Hymes, MD DNR (Ex officio)	0/2
Bob Whitcomb	1/2

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Phillips called the regular monthly meeting of the Severn River Commission (SRC) to order at 4:08 p.m. in the Severn Room, 4th Floor, 2664 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD. A quorum was present.

GUEST SPEAKER

Bret Anderson of the South Annapolis Yacht Centre presented to the commission on the South Annapolis Yacht Centre Site Design Plan.

Bret Anderson then answered questions from the SRC and meeting attendees in response to his presentation. The presentation will be available at the SRC office once the SAYC plans are finalized.

PUBLIC INPUT / AGENDA ITEMS – There was no public input.

MINUTES

The Minutes for the January 7, 2016, regular monthly meeting were presented for approval.

MOTION: A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 7, 2016 MINUTES, WAS MADE BY SPENCER AND SECONDED BY BURDICK. THE MOTION WAS PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE AND THE MINUTES WILL BE REVISED AS APPROVED.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Spencer has been re-appointed to the SRC for another 3 year term.

OLD BUSINESS

Annapolis Yacht Club Green Site

Kardash said that the Annapolis Yacht Club (AYC) is hoping for permits by the end of 2016. The AYC is currently working through preliminary meetings with Anne Arundel County Planning & Zoning. According to Kardash, the effect of the fire would not change the plans for the Eastport properties, and there is no foreseeable delay. The AYC is waiting on the final determination if the existing building is salvageable.

Naval Academy / Greenbury Point

Spencer is still writing the assessment. Spencer also requested an update on the Waste to Watts project.

Annapolis / Annapolis Marine Water Quality (NDZ)

Riegel said that the City of Annapolis Environmental Matters Committee received Kreter's letter. The current City of Annapolis budget does not have a No Discharge Zone (NDZ) designation. If the designation goes forward, it will be by amendment to the current budget by the City Council.

Crystal Spring

There was nothing new to report.

Future Presentations

April – David Braun, Anne Arundel County Planning & Zoning

May – Dr. Andrew Muller, Associate Professor at US Naval Academy

June – Kardash would like to invite Leo Wilson to discuss the Annapolis Yacht Club
July/Early Summer – Phillips would like to invite Dr. David Kriebel to discuss the rising sea level in Annapolis

Water Access

Spencer spoke with Rick Fisher (AACo, WPRP) about access to maps of county property, specifically in Severn Run above the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) area. Spencer said that Fisher created a file of all Anne Arundel County property, and requested that the map be split into separate maps. Spencer feels this will help identify street end areas owned by the county which may not be functionally operated by the county for public water access.

Permit Notifications

There was nothing new to report.

Website

Burdick is waiting on final approval from Kreter, and will then send the final pages for publication on the SRC web site.

NEW BUSINESS

Bay Management Strategies

Spencer wants to support Senator Simonaire’s tax credit for floating gardens, as well as County Executive Schuh’s oyster shell tax credit. Phillips wants the SRC to review new legislation before deciding what the SRC will support.

PUBLIC INPUT/NEW ITEMS – There was no public input.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m. The next SRC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the Severn Room (4th Floor), 2664 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD.

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Spencer
AACounty DPW, Bureau of Engineering
Watershed Protection & Restoration Program