

**SEVERN RIVER COMMISSION**  
**Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**September 8, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.**  
**Severn Room, 2664 Riva Road, 4th Floor**

|                          |                               | <b>Attendance<br/>Record</b> |
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| <b>Members Present:</b>  | Charlie Kreter, Chair         | 6/9                          |
|                          | Lex Birney                    | 7/9                          |
|                          | Jim Burdick                   | 6/9                          |
|                          | Bill Kardash                  | 8/9                          |
|                          | Kurt Riegel                   | 7/9                          |
|                          | Dick Spencer                  | 7/9                          |
| <b>Guests and Staff:</b> | Leo Wilson, Hammond Wilson    |                              |
|                          | Gail Kenson, USNA             |                              |
|                          | Meghan Spencer, ACo. DPW/WPRP |                              |
| <b>Members Absent:</b>   | Sara Phillips, Vice Chair     | 7/9                          |
|                          | Daniel Roche                  | 8/9                          |
|                          | Bob Whitcomb                  | 6/9                          |

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Kreter called the regular monthly meeting of the Severn River Commission (SRC) to order at 4:09 p.m. in the Severn Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, 2664 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD. A quorum was present.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Leo Wilson of Harman Wilson presented to the commission on the Annapolis Yacht Club (AYC) Green Site. Wilson discussed the properties owned by the AYC in Annapolis and Eastport, specifically discussing renovations after the AYC fire in 2015, replacing outdated structures, stormwater management and landscape improvement. There was discussion of the critical area lines, as well as setbacks for buildings and green space. Wilson plans to reduce the impervious surface area and build green space buffers on both AYC properties, potentially with pervious concrete and drainage beds.

Wilson noted that all required special exceptions are complete, and the project is currently moving through the City of Annapolis site design review process. According to Wilson, construction documents will be finished by February 2017, the permit process will be complete in spring of 2017, and they will break ground in May or June of 2017.

Wilson also addressed progress at 110 Compromise Street, stating that the permit process is complete, the rooftop dining area has been approved, interior demolition is complete and work will begin in November 2016. The owners are currently looking for vendors to fulfill the 40% maritime use requirement.

Wilson then answered questions from the SRC and meeting attendees in response to his presentation. The digital file of the presentation is available at the SRC Office.

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

## **MINUTES**

The Minutes for the August 11, 2016, regular monthly meeting were presented for approval.

**MOTION:** A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 11, 2016 MINUTES, WAS MADE BY RIEGEL AND SECONDED BY KARDASH. THE MOTION WAS PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE AND THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE**

- (1) Kreter requested the next SRC meeting be moved to October 4, 2016 or October 5, 2016.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Bay Management Strategies**

Kreter noted that the state has lifted the oyster restoration ban. Spencer sent an email with articles about oyster restoration to the commission members. Spencer said that the Severn River and South River are preferable to watermen because of existing oyster bars. As there is a State Water Quality Advisory Committee (SWQAC) meeting on Friday, September 9, 2016, Spencer wants to find a way for SWQAC to help further oyster restoration in the Severn River.

Kreter sent a letter to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in support of Whitcomb's position on oyster restoration in the Severn River.

### **Permit Notifications**

Six (6) permits were submitted in July 2016, nine (9) were submitted in August 2016, and 2 in September 2016.

**Water Access**

Kreter & Riegel can't attend the SWQAC meeting, but asked Spencer for an update via email. The Anne Arundel County Public Water Access Committee meets on September 21, 2016.

**Future Presentations**

Phillips will request a presentation from Dr. Petruncio from the United States Naval Academy (USNA) Oceanography Department.

**Crystal Spring**

Kreter requested to remove this item from the agenda.

**Annapolis / Annapolis Marine Water Quality (NDZ)**

Riegel appeared before the Anne Arundel County Marine Industry Advisory Board (MIAB) and they appear to understand the issues at hand and are on the same page as the SRC. Kreter wants the SRC to attend a meeting of the City of Annapolis Marine Advisory Board (MAB).

Spencer feels it will be more effective to work with the State of Maryland rather than with the City of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County marine advisory boards about water quality recommendations. Riegel said a local approach with the City of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County boards is a more effective route. Birney noted that Kreter's recommendations appeal to both the commissions and local businesses, in terms of flexibility in the No Discharge Zone (NDZ) process.

Spencer will bring up the SRC recommendations at the MIAB meeting on Friday, September 9, 2016.

**Naval Academy / Greenbury Point**

There was nothing new to report.

**Annapolis Yacht Club Green Site**

See presentation above.

**Live-Aboard Boat Enforcement**

Burdick says there have been four (4) complaints received since May 2016. Riegel said that enforcement is currently split between Anne Arundel County and the City of Annapolis. Burdick said that enforcement of existing laws/codes have been taken over by the City of Annapolis.

**Oyster Restoration Activities**

On hold until October 2016.

**Website**

There was nothing new to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**PUBLIC INPUT/NEW ITEMS**

There was no public input.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m. The next SRC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the Severn Room (4<sup>th</sup> Floor), 2664 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD.

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Spencer  
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Watershed Protection & Restoration Program