

KENT COUNTY
PUBLIC LANDINGS & FACILITIES
March 7, 2022
Meeting Minutes

I CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Kent County Board of Public Landings & Facilities was called to order by Chairman White on Monday, March 7, 2022, at 6:00PM. Those in attendance were Chuckie White, Marc Castelli, Rick Morlock, James Reihl

The minutes of December 6, 2021 were approved as submitted.

II OLD BUSINESS

Buck Neck/Worton Creek Marina - lot line adjustment

Mr. Holden stated that the County Attorney has completed the legal documents and on February 22, 2022 the County Commissioners signed and finalized the lot line adjustment.

Turner's Creek - Bulkhead/Boat Ramp Area

Mr. Holden advised that the County Roads Division will soon be cutting out the grass slope in the approach area of the boat ramp to improve the grade. The surface treatment of the bulkhead parking lot will be completed during County Roads' upcoming surface treatment season.

III NEW BUSINESS

Annual Report – FY 2021

Mr. Holden presented the Board a copy of the approved FY 2021 Public Landings & Facilities Annual report.

Bayside Landing Park – slips/piers/bulkhead project

Mr. Holden reviewed that the County received a DNR matching grant of \$626,000 and the Commissioner approved the matching funds in the FY 2022 budget. The original estimated project cost was 1.2 million. Mr. Holden advised that the DNR grant was scheduled to expire June 30, 2022 but DNR has agreed to extend the grant to December 2023 allowing time for the project to be completed. Mr. Holden stated that the County now has the Engineering firm of Davis, Bowen & Friedel, Inc. (DBF) working on the design phase of the project. There was some discussion about the layout of the project, Mr. Holden reminded the Board that DNR will only allow replacement of the current footprint of the facility. There was discussion of possibly replacing the pump-out during the construction, as well as, possibly providing recessed ladders at each slip.

A Board member asked for a ladder to be placed at their slip. Currently they access their boat via another boat's ladder and across that boat. Mr. Holden advised he would have staff contact him to discuss the construction of a ladder at the slip.

Mr. Holden stated that plans for the vessels that are still in the water during the construction are being considered. During past projects, the contractors have worked in phases allowing boats to utilize slips that have not been removed yet. If that is feasible, the County will reach out to local marinas for assistance.

Bogles - pilings

A Board member asked about the possibility of constructing something on the pilings that are near the pier. Mr. Holden advised that, if they are on County property, the necessary permits would be required to construct on those pilings.

V ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Fletcher