

February 3, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Oxford Board of Port Wardens was called to order by the chairman, Thomas Campbell, on Thursday, February 3, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Oxford Community Services Building.

Other board members in attendance were Larry Murray, Stan Bright, and Nancy Cook.

The minutes of November 4 and November 30, 2010 were approved and accepted as written.

The following permit was reviewed by the board:

#11-01 Nancy King, 104 East St., construct 487' of stone revetment. Mr. Campbell noted that the King property is actually located on Harrison Street which comes off of East Street. Mr. Rob Hartkopf, with Oxford Lawn and Landscape, representative for the King Family, was present to discuss the application. Mr. Hartkopf explained that the new stone revetment would be used to replace a partially old homemade bulkhead made out of railroad ties and telephone poles put in during the 1960's and 1970's. On one side of the property the existing bulkhead is very exposed and dangerous. On other side of the property, headed into town, approximately 3' to 4' of property has washed away resulting in a very low profile. The owners would like to remove the existing bulkhead of telephone poles and railway ties and rebuild it according to specifications.

Mr. Campbell stated for the record that the applicant had a permit from the MD Department of the Environment. Mr. Hartkopf added that the Corp of Engineers had also signed off on the application. He added that he had started the project because he had been under the impression that everything was already approved and that he was the third contractor coming into the project. Mr. Campbell noted that the Kings had applied for a permit to do their shoreline in April of 2002 for basically the same thing that was being applied for now. However, that permit had expired. Mr. Hartkopf again apologized stated that he was not aware of that and thought it was acceptable to begin the project. He added that though he had started no major construction had begun. Mr. Campbell stated that he had gone out to investigate the site and that what work Mr. Hartkopf had started looked good. He added that he remembered going to look at the property several years ago and thinking how bad the shoreline looked. Mr. Hartkopf noted that between eight and ten feet of shoreline has been washed away over the past few years as he remembered a time when he use to cut grass down in that area that is no longer there. One of Mrs. King's neighbors commented that what was being proposed would be a great improvement. Mr. Campbell reminded Mr. Hartkopf that any other jobs he plans on doing in town, even if it is only a maintenance project, to remember to

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check with the town office and inform them so as not to create a problem for himself. Mr. Campbell added that what was being proposed looked fine to him, that all the neighbors seemed to be supportive, and that the work that had been done prior to this meeting looked good so far.

Mr. Murray made a motion to approve the requested permit. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bright and unanimously carried without further discussion.

Prior to adjourning, the board briefly looked over the rendered drawing of the living shoreline proposed for the ferry dock area.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Willoughby
Assistant Clerk