



**Town of Greenwich
Flood and Erosion Control Board
January 10, 2017 Meeting Minutes
3:00 pm – Mazza Room, Town Hall, Greenwich, Connecticut**

Those attending: Peter Tesei, Edward Schmeltz, Aubrey Mead, Jr., John Stankunas, Peter Finkbeiner, and Robert Cenci

Town staff present: Amy Siebert, James Michel, Dana Arnold, and Cindy Baumann, CDM Smith was also present.

The following summarizes the items discussed at the recent Flood & Erosion Control Board (the Board) meeting held at the Town Hall on Thursday, January 10, 2017. The discussion has been grouped based on the topics identified in the meeting agenda.

Call to Order and Administrative Matters

The meeting was called to order in the Town Hall and the meeting minutes from the previous Board meeting on September 22, 2016 were approved.

Byram River Study Update

An update on the project status was provided. The Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) has expressed to the Town that staffing issues with their Real Estate Group has created a project delay.

The Western Connecticut Council of Governments plans to do a feasibility/reconnaissance study of Fairfield County watersheds.

Capital Projects Update

Project updates were provided for the Church Street Drainage System Improvements, Strickland Brook Alternative Analysis, Old Greenwich Drainage System Improvements, Binney Park Pond Maintenance Dredging and Bank Restoration, and FEMA mapping revisions.

It was mentioned that the fiscal budget for upcoming years will be stricter on Capital Improvement Projects and will have a greater focus on DPW maintenance projects. This will create a big shift in project schedules. A memo issued November 29, 2016 by the Budget Overview Committee stated that the CIP budget will not be greater than \$50 million each year. The Capital Improvements Projects Committee is scheduled to have a meeting on January 12th at 6:00PM to discuss the CIP budget.

Term Modifications

Discussion was held regarding the rules and regulations for appointment committees/boards. To help make the committees/boards more consistent it was recommended to extend the terms of members. Instead of appointing two new people every two years it was recommended to appoint one new person every year.

New Business

There was no new business to be discussed.

Old Business

The following was discussed regarding old business:

- The CIP Prioritization list was restructured into four lists: Emergency Access/First Priority (Group 1), 2nd Tier Priority Projects (Group 2), Projects to Consider Prior to Roadwork (Group 3), and Private Property/Private Roads (Group 4).
- Group 1 includes the Top 10 CIP Prioritization Projects.

The next FECB meeting will be held on February 9, 2017 at 3:00PM.

It was decided to have the 2017 FECB meetings at 3:00 pm on the following days:

February 9th

May 11th

September 14th

December 7th

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.