Town of Greenwich  
Flood and Erosion Control Board  
February 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes  
3:00 pm – Via ZOOM Virtual Meeting, Greenwich, Connecticut

Those attending: Aubrey Mead, Ed Schmeltz, Peter Finkbeiner, John Stankunas, Allison Walsh (alt), Donna Laviolette (Alt.)

Town staff present: James Michel, Amy Siebert, Dawn Zimmerman, Fred Camillo

Others: Cindy Baumann – CDM Smith, Inc.

The following summarizes the items discussed at the recent Flood & Erosion Control Board (the Board) meeting held virtually via Zoom. 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 virtually at 3:00 PM. The meeting minutes from the previous Board meeting on December 9th were approved.

Capital Projects Update

- East Putnam Ave/Hillside - This project is a CTDOT project that is currently under design and looking to go to construction in Fall 2022 with utility work and Spring 2023 with actual bridge construction. Emergency access will be significantly improved by this project when completed but will need to be closely monitored during construction.

- The First Selectman’s Proposed Capital Budget is at the BET Budget Committee review currently. The pages from the budget were shared with the board highlighting the projects that are in this year’s budget. It was recommended by There is a desire by the budget committee to better understand the priorities involved in the development of projects. Jim recommended that the board consider writing a letter of support to the BET for drainage related projects.

- ARPA funding is being reviewed by the committee handing these funds. The Pemberwick Park project is proposed to have $2M in funding provided for this project. It is anticipated that these funds may be made available to the Town in March or April so that we can continue the design and move the project into construction.
Byram River

- The project has received authorization for approximately $40M in funding from the Federal Government. We are still awaiting to hear the next steps in the process for moving the project forward. DPW will continue to work with NYSDOT on the various funding agreements as well.

New Business

- Jim requested that the board continue to think of ways to get the message out about what things will and will not be addressed by improving the capacity of the drainage system.

- DPW now has social media to get information out.

Old Business

- Planning and Zoning is creating pamphlets on impervious surfaces and what individuals can do themselves to assist with drainage issues.

- DPW will coordinate with planning and zoning to get information out about drainage and flooding.

The next FECB meeting will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 3:00 PM.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.