



**Town of Greenwich  
Flood and Erosion Control Board  
February 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes  
3:00 pm – Cone Room, Town Hall, Greenwich, Connecticut**

Those attending: Edward Schmeltz, Aubrey Mead

Town staff present: James Michel and Dawn Zimmerman

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The following summarizes the items discussed at the recent Flood & Erosion Control Board (the Board) meeting held at the Town Hall on Thursday, February 28, 2019. 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. The meeting minutes from the previous Board meeting on December 6, 2018 were approved.

### **Byram River Study Update**

- An Agency Decision Milestone (ADM) meeting was held on January 30, 2019 at Army Corps (USACE) headquarters in New York City. The result of the meeting was to move the project forward toward an April 2019 In Progress Review (IPR) meeting.
- The results of the meeting requested a few additional calculations to be completed by internal staff and additional coordination to be completed with the Town, New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) and the Village of Port Chester. All agencies expressed a desire for the project to continue and a desire to work together to get the project to completion.
- The ACOE has targeted the final report completion after numerous internal reviews and progress meetings in approximately 12-24 months.
- It was again emphasized the importance of congressional authorization for the project to move forward. It is recommended that the local sponsor reach out to the congressional delegation, in both CT & NY set the ground work for future requests.

### **Capital Projects Update**

Project updates were provided for:

- **Sound Beach Avenue Drainage System Improvements:** The drainage work for this project has been completed. The Town will complete final restoration work in the spring of 2019.

- **Strickland Brook Alternative Analysis:** DPW is starting to explore the constructability of the various alternatives that have been discussed as part of the project. The Town is working with the consultant on establishing a scope of services for preliminary and final design.

## **Budgets**

- Funding for Strickland design has been requested in 19/20 budget for \$500,000.
- Stormwater/Drainage Maintenance has been requested in 19/20 budget for \$750,000.

## **New Business**

The following new business was discussed:

- It was discussed that Wetlands/Conservation are starting Resiliency Planning within the Town. This will occur over the next several months.
- The Board would like to stay informed and is willing to provide input when necessary.

## **Old Business**

The following old business was discussed:

- Jim Michel asked the board if they had comments on the new website. They have not, they will take a look. (Dawn will send reminder a few days before next meeting).
- Town received a number of drainage concerns from recent storms. A discussion was held on the approach the board would like to take for ranking the projects.
- Jason Kaufman met with Aubrey Mead at Bible Street Park to discuss the west bank of brook in Bible Street park. Engineering is working with parks to determine if maintenance can be completed in the spring.
- The next FECB meeting will be held on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 3:00 PM.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.