



**Town of Greenwich**  
**Flood and Erosion Control Board**  
**May 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes**  
**3:00 pm – Via ZOOM Virtual Meeting, Greenwich, Connecticut**

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

Town staff present: James Michel, Amy Siebert, Dawn Zimmerman, Janet Stone McGuigan

Public: Michael Finkbeiner, Kevin Mahoney, Fred Stoleru

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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. There was a moment of silence for the passing of our chair, Ed Schmeltz. The meeting minutes from the previous Board meeting were amended to delete “It was recommended by” in the second paragraph under Capital Projects Update, and the amended meeting minutes from February 18<sup>th</sup> were approved.

Because of the opening on the Board, Allison Walsh was moved from alternate, to board member (leaving an alternate spot vacant).

A motion was made by John Stankunas and a second was made by Allison Walsh for Aubrey Mead to move from Vice Chair to Chair. All were in favor. Aubrey Mead is now the Chair.

A motion was made by Allison Walsh and a second was made by Aubrey Mead for John Stankunas to be Vice Chair. All were in favor. John Stankunas is now Vice Chair.

### **Capital Projects/Budget Update**

- RTM is voting on the final budget on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>
- DPW is asking for the following drainage projects to be funded:
  1. Storm Water Maintenance \$750,000 (capital budget)  
ARPA Funded Projects:
    2. Valley Drive @ Windsor \$400,00 (ARPA Funding)
    3. Pemberwick Park \$2,000,000 (ARPA Funding)
    4. Harding Road Drainage \$750,000 (ARPA Funding)

5. Byram River Levi \$500,000 (ARPA Funding)

- Route 1 at Hillside DOT project- construction to begin in 2023. DPW is coordinating with State to raise the road as part of their project. This will address 2 of the top 10 drainage issues on our list.

### **New Business**

- Allison was at Parks and Recreation Committee meeting where they discussed working on soil infiltration and soils at Town fields. Jim confirmed that Parks and Recreation is coordinating with DPW and we will make sure all regulations are followed.
- DPW is working on pamphlets and other ways of communicating resiliency and things residents can do to mitigate flooding issues during storms.

### **Old Business**

- Route 1 at Hillside DOT project- construction to begin in 2023. DPW is coordinating with State to raise the road as part of their project. This will address 2 of the top 10 drainage issues on our list.
- Our “Big List” based on certain criteria in need of review- let’s meet about the lists to discuss future of projects- Jim will update list and get it out the board
- Byram River- very slow process. Heim’s office got approval for \$40 million appropriation- Funding needs to get to the ACOE to repair both bridges located in NY State. The greatest positive impact will be for Greenwich.
- IDA studies- Consultant has completed majority of computations. Hope to have summary study late Summer or early Fall.

The next FECB meeting will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 3:00 PM.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.