Those attending: Edward Schmeltz, Aubrey Mead, John Stankunas, Peter Finkbeiner, Donna Laviolette (alt.)
Town staff present: James Michel, Dawn Zimmerman
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 in the Town Hall. The meeting minutes from the previous Board meeting on February 27, 2020 were approved.

**Byram River Study Update**

- The Chief’s report was signed on May 7, 2020. We have been recommended to contact our Congressional Delegation to request the project be put into the WRDA and possibly include it in the stimulus bill so that it can go to construction quickly.

- The Town will be continuing to coordinate with NYSDOT to discuss the funding and improvements to be proposed as part of the project. It was also suggested to coordinate with the congressman.

**Capital Projects Update**

Due to COVID-19 the capital improvement budget amount recommended to the RTM has been significantly reduced for several projects. In addition, many projects have been delayed which will impact future budget year appropriations.

Project updates were provided for:

- **Strickland Brook Alternative Analysis**: DPW & CDMSmith continue to look at additional alternatives to address this project. Additional survey in coming weeks.

- **Sound Beach Avenue Bridge**: Proceeding to rebuild the bridge. Construction funding requested in FY20/21. Raising the Bridge only- other flooding issue will not be addressed.

- **Glenville Road Bridge and Brookside Drive Culvert**: DPW has been working on a traffic design improvement concerning the intersections of Glenville Road with Valley Road and Brookside Drive. These two projects that are listed in the top 10 emergency
projects will be looked at during that time. Looking at addressing some drainage issues there as well; although dependent upon Budget.

- **EGCC Replacement (BC&M)/Harding Road Drainage Improvements** - Capital funding was requested for this project, but it was deferred to a future year. Design will continue utilizing in-house staff to ensure that it does not delay the construction of the civic center. The CTDOT/MNR have notified the Town that they will be cleaning the ditch and swale between the Civic Center and the RR tracks in the next few months to help remove sediment and debris that blocks the channel.

- **State DOT Bridge (Route 1 over Brothers Brook)** – This is a CTDOT project that is in design. Town has received 60% drawings recently. The information that has been provided to the Town staff indicates they are still looking at starting construction sometime in 2021-2022.

**New Business**

There was no new business to discuss

**Old Business**

There was no old business to discuss

- The next FECB meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 3:00 PM.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.