Those attending: Edward Schmeltz, Aubrey Mead, Jr., John Stankunas, Robert Cenci (alt.), Allison Walsh (alt.)

Town staff present: James Michel, Dawn Zimmerman and Cindy Baumann, CDM Smith

The following summarizes the items discussed at the recent Flood & Erosion Control Board (the Board) meeting held at the Town Hall on Thursday, May 17, 2018. 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 15, 2018 were approved with the exception of deleting “successful” in the first bullet on page 2 of the notes.

Byram River Study Update

- The TSP milestone meeting was held in Washington, D.C. on May 10, 2018.
- A draft report will be issued 60 days following the meeting (June 28th).
- A public meeting will be held at the end of July.
- Comments on the draft report are due to the ACOE by the end of August.
- Financing for the project is still under discussion, as there are many options for financing based on the type of project.

Capital Projects Update

Project updates were provided for:

- Church Street Drainage System Improvements – This project is complete.
- Sound Beach Avenue Drainage System Improvements – This project is in Phase 2 of construction. It is anticipated that construction will be completed by early Fall 2018.
- Sound Beach Avenue Bridge – Planning and zoning has yet to approve this project. Other alternatives and coastal impacts may need to be considered.
• Strickland Brook Alternative Analysis – Public meeting was held on March 1, 2018. A resident on Millpond expressed a concern about change in hydraulics and the potential for change in bird population.

The Nature Conservancy met with the DPW to discuss the CIP program. They would like to develop a database with the Town to identify projects and assist with funding.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

Old Business

The following old business was discussed:

• There is concern surrounding erosion along the west bank of Strickland brook just north of Bible Street. Wetlands will visit the site to evaluate.

• To address flooding in the Palmer Hill Road area the trash rack at Apple Tree Lane should be cleaned.

• There was a discussion about the minor improvements that have been made at the Ridgeview Avenue bridge to address flooding. DPW is wondering if there is a need to investigate what studies have been performed in the past for this area.

The next FECB meeting will be held on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 3:00 PM.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.