

## **MINUTES**

Flood & Erosion Control Board Meeting of November 7, 2018.

Present for the Board: William S. Mazo (Acting Chair)

Edward C. Picard Phillip Schemel

Present for Department of Public Works: Amrik S. Matharu, Engineer II

Preston H. Koster opened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

1. **25 Oak Ridge Park/ Application WPL #10695-18; APPROVED;** Application of Barr Associates, LLC, on behalf of the owner, Debra Kowalsky to excavate landward of existing timber bulkhead, install 180 linear feet of pre-cast concrete block bulkhead, lay geotextile fabric and backfill within the WPLO. The proposed activity is within the WPL area for the Saugatuck River.

This project was presented by Mel Barr of Barr Associates, LLC, on behalf of the owner, Debra Kowalsky.

There were questions from the Board regarding how the wall will be stabilized during construction, the condition of the existing bulkhead, whether work will be done from the land side, whether the ramp and dock will remain in place during construction, and whether the rip rap will be reconstructed.

Per the Chair's request, Amrik S. Matharu summarized the Engineering Department's review of the project, stating that the proposed activity substantially complies with Town of Westport requirements. Mr. Matharu recommended that the following be adopted as Special Conditions:

1. The applicant shall prepare a construction sequence that includes a description of temporary shoring in areas where the existing timber bulkhead is in poor condition.

The Chair asked if there were any comments or questions from the Public.

Ed Kowalsky of 25 Oak Ridge Park spoke. Mr. Kowalsky briefly described the process he would use to construct the wall and shore the existing bulkhead.

The hearing was closed, and the Board went into Work Session. It was agreed that the aforementioned special condition and following Standard Conditions of Approval were deemed necessary: 8, and 11.

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 3(Y)-o(N).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Mazo, Acting Chair Flood & Erosion Control Board

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Cc: First Selectman, Town Attorney, Public Works Director, Planning & Zoning Director, Conservation Director, Chair of RTM Environmental Committee, Chair of RTM Public Works Committee, Applicants, minutes@westportct.gov

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