



WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT

FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD

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MINUTES

Flood & Erosion Control Board Meeting of February 6, 2019.

Present for the Board: Preston H. Koster (Acting Chair)
William S. Mazo (Acting Chair)
John M. Toi
Aimee Monroy Smith
Phillip Schemel

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

Preston H. Koster opened the meeting at 7:32 pm.

1. **286 Compo Road South / Application WPL 10745-18;** Application of William Green/Linda Durakis to replace existing home with a new home with a first floor elevation of 13' above sea level and a swimming pool.

This project was presented by Meghan Gallagher, of B&B Engineering, and William Green, the owner.

There were questions from the Board regarding whether the size of the house is drastically different, what work has been performed on the site, whether the house will be built with gutters and leaders, elevations of the water table, the footprint of the stormwater detention system, whether decks are proposed on the property, the depth of the proposed pool relative to the observed groundwater table, has local construction impacted the area's stormwater behavior, whether there are any FEMA issues.

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. He would recommend approval.

The Chair asked if there were any comments or questions from the Public. There were none.

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: 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, and 11.

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 5(Y)-0(N).

2. **Hiawatha Lane Lot A05/4, A05/5, and #28, #36, #38, #39, #41, #42, #43, #44, #45, and #47/ P&Z Applications: 18-079, 18-080, 18-081;** As referred from the Town of Westport Planning & Zoning Department under the applications of Summit Saugatuck LLC, on behalf of the owners, Saugatuck Summit LLC, David H. Ogilvy, Frank P. Bottone, Hannerlore Walsh, Estate of Crystal Christensen, and Anne M. Mantia, for the construction of a new multifamily development and related site appurtenances.

This project was presented by Atty. Timothy S. Hollister of Shipman & Goodwin, LLP, Mark Shogren, P.E. of Divney, Tung, Schwalbe, David Ginter, P.E. of Redniss & Mead, Inc., Timothy F. Veit, of William L. Kenny Associates, LLC, on behalf of the owner, Summit Saugatuck, LLC.

There were questions from the Board regarding whether the Town of Westport is involved in the emergency access improvement in Norwalk, whether the municipal sanitary sewer system is sized to handle the flows from the proposed development, who will be responsible for the pump station, are residents required to connect to the sanitary sewer line once it is installed, does the pump station take into account the residents on Hiawatha Lane not yet connected to the sanitary sewer system, whether an inspector will be required on site, whether the applicant can be required to clean out offsite culverts, whether the culvert is on railroad property, whether the historic flooding is related to the development,

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

Leslie Ogilvy of 27 Hiawatha Lane spoke. Ms. Ogilvy expressed concern regarding the culverts, increased rainfall, and historic flooding.

Carol Ann Curry of 29 Hiawatha Lane Extension spoke. She expressed concern regarding the historic flooding, the use of the term “swamp.”

Chris Gazzelli of 37 Hiawatha Lane spoke. Mr. Gazzelli expressed concern regarding the proposed development’s impact to the existing flooding conditions, and the condition of the culverts.

Timothy F. Veit, responded to some of the public commentary.

Mark Shogren, PE, responded to some public comment and questions regarding the stormwater analysis from the board.

Julie Hood of 33 Soundview Drive spoke. Mrs. Hood expressed concern regarding the stormwater behavior in an unrelated part of town and as well as support of the residents that previously spoke.

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Preston H. Koster, 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
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