

## **MINUTES**

Flood & Erosion Control Board Meeting of October 15, 2019

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

John M. Toi Phillip Schemel Aimee Monroy Smith

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

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

1. **135 Harbor Road** / **Application WPL 10883-19**; Application of Joseph Dejesus, on behalf of the owner, RVR Realty LLC, for a new single family residence, driveway, and related site appurtenances. The site lies within the Water Protection Line (WPL) of Gray's Creek.

This project was presented by Dan Conlon, RA, and Wayne D'Avanzo, PE, on behalf of the owner, RVR Realty LLC.

There were questions from the Board regarding the area of the proposed house; the area of the existing house; and the type of event which would overtop the existing seawall.

Per the Chair's request, Amrik Matharu summarized the Engineering Department's review of the project, and asked for clarity regarding the driveway grading. However, Mr. Matharu stated that the proposed activity complies with Town of Westport requirements. In short, he would recommend approval.

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

It was agreed that the following Standard Conditions of Approval were deemed necessary: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12. (Refer to the appended sheet).

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 4(Y)-o(N).

2. **27 Bermuda Road** / **Application WPL 10890-19**; Application of Kousidis Engineering, LLC (Jim Kousidis), on behalf of the owner, Glen & Jaime Camche, for a new pool and patio area. The site lies within the Water Protection Line (WPL) of Bermuda Lagoon.

The project was presented by Jim Kousidis, PE, on behalf of the owners, Glen & Jaime Camche.

There were questions from the Board regarding the pool depth; the pool dimensions; and pool type.

Per the Chair's request, Amrik Matharu summarized the Engineering Department's review of the project, stating that the proposed activity complies with Town of Westport requirements. He would recommend approval along with the following Special Condition:

1. The site plan shall be revised to depict the 600 square feet of existing roof area routed to the detention system as part of obtaining a Planning & Zoning Permit.

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

It was agreed that the aforementioned Special Condition and following Standard Conditions of Approval were deemed necessary: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12. (Refer to the appended sheet).

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 4(Y)-o(N).

3. **20 Ketchum Street and 518 Riverside Avenue / Planning & Zoning Referral CAM Site Plan Appl. #19-049;** The subject application is a referral from Planning & Zoning for the demolition of two existing buildings, and construction of two new residential buildings A & B consisting of 17 new residential units in total.

The project was presented by Peter Romano, on behalf of the owners, Marsh Development LLC, Howard Gault Estate.

There were questions from the Board regarding whether the runoff is currently being treated; how the runoff will be treated; whether the development will increase the runoff volume; what creates the increase in impervious area; whether the "Innovation Hub" will remain; why 518 Riverside Avenue is incorporated in the project; sediment build up, whether the area floods; whether the parking spaces are below grade; and whether floor drains are proposed.

Per the Chair's request, Amrik Matharu summarized the Engineering Department's review of the project, stating that the proposed activity complies with Town of Westport requirements. In short, he would recommend approval.

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

It was agreed that the following Standard Conditions of Approval were deemed necessary: 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, and 11. (Refer to the appended sheet).

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 4(Y)-o(N).

## II. WORK SESSION

1. **259 Saugatuck Avenue & 1 Charmers Landing / Application WPL 10663-18; MODIFICATION;** The application for the construction of a single family residence, inground swimming pool, and associated site improvements was approved at the F&ECB meeting of 10/03/2018. The applicant is seeking to modify the grading by the pool with a retaining wall, modify the patio area around the pool, increase the size parking court, and alter the shape of the previously approved driveway.

Amrik Matharu summarized the Engineering Department's review of the modifications, stating that the project is substantially similar to the approved application. Similarly, the project maintains compliance with the Town of Westport requirements. In short, he would recommend approval.

There were questions from the Board regarding whether they are increasing the impervious area; the lot merge; whether the lots could be resubdivided; and whether there public comments during the initial application.

It was agreed that the original application be amended to include the depicted modifications.

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 4(Y)-o(N).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 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