



# WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT

## FLOOD & EROSION CONTROL BOARD

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### MINUTES

Flood & Erosion Control Board Meeting of November 2, 2022

Present for the Board: William S. Mazo (Chair)  
Phillip Schemel  
Robert Aldrich

Present for Department of Public Works: Edward Gill, Engineer II

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William S. Mazo, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

1. **105 Harbor Road / WPL-11630-22;** *Application of Moon Gardens LLC on behalf of the owners, William Henry & Katharine Diana Weber, to construct a new single-family dwelling, elevated patio, pervious driveway, stormwater drainage system, and associated site improvements. The proposed activity is within the WPL area of the Saugatuck River.*

The application was presented by William Chappa of Chappa Site Consulting, LLC, on behalf of the owners, William Henry & Katharine Diana Weber.

Per the Chair's request, Edward Gill summarized the Engineering Department's review. He said that the project complies with Town drainage, grading, and Flood Zone standards. He also noted that there is an existing stone wall around the perimeter of the property and with its current heights and openings it would not need additional calculations for flood openings, but if the openings were changed or the height was increased, the applicant would be required to show adequate flood openings in the wall. He said that he would be in favor of approval.

There were questions from the Board about the proposed garage and the utility connections.

The Board went into Work Session. It was agreed that the following Standard Conditions of Approval were deemed necessary: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 (see appended sheet).

DECISION: Proposed Project Approved, 3(Y)-0(N).

## **DISCUSSION**

At the request of the Chair, Mr. Gill summarized the discussions held since the last Flood Board meeting between himself, the Director of Public Works, the Chair, and the First Selectwoman. At a meeting the week after the October 12<sup>th</sup> Flood Board meeting, they agreed to hold a series of public meetings to invite residents to come discuss their flooding issues. The Department of Public Works would host the meeting with a panel of other Town Officials, there would be one meeting a week on Thursdays excluding holiday weeks and the first Thursday after the first Wednesday of each month, and there would be seven meetings. He noted that a press release had been sent out a few hours prior to the meeting, so meeting topics, dates, and locations (within Town Hall) were already posted on the Town website and on some news outlets.

Mr. Gill said that the meetings would each have one specific topic, but would be open for concerns from other watersheds just to make sure that people who have something to say do not accidentally miss their chance.

The Board discussed their attendance for the meetings and how much could be done to help disseminate the information regarding the dates and topics of these meetings. Mr. Schemel asked if the meetings would be available for people to join online. Mr. Gill said he did not know if they would have that capability, and the meetings are planned for in-person in Town Hall, but they would accept written comments from anyone who could not make it to the meetings.

Mr. Aldrich moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Schemel. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

WSM/eamg

Cc: First Selectwoman, 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](mailto:minutes@westportct.gov)

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