

**FLOOD & EROSION CONTROL BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 10, 2015**

The Flood and Erosion Control Board held a meeting on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 in Conference Room A of the Parsons Government Complex. Chairman Zabinski called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**I. Roll Call**

Board Members Present

Michael Zabinski, Chairman  
Thomas E. Bach  
Drew Berndlmaier  
John Casey  
J. Andrew Bevilacqua

Also Present

Greg Pidluski, City Engineer

**II. Public Participation**

None.

**III. Correspondence/Chairman's Report**

Chairman Zabinski introduced the new city engineer, Greg Pidluski. Chairman Zabinski stated he would like to add new business to the agenda regarding a guest speaker at the December meeting.

Mr. Casey and Mr. Bach made and seconded a motion to add new business to the agenda regarding a guest speaker for the December meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Casey and Mr. Berndlmaier made and seconded a motion to reorder the agenda and bring and bring forward item VI. New Business. Motion carried unanimously.

**VI. New Business**

Chairman Zabinski stated he would like to have Dr. Tait from Southern Connecticut State University at the December meeting, but that a larger venue would be necessary. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman Zabinski also stated he wished to start the December meeting at 6:30 p.m. to allow time for Dr. Tait's presentation.

#### **IV. Consideration of Minutes**

Mr. Bach and Mr. Berndlmaier made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2015 meeting, with several minor typographical errors. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **V. Unfinished Business**

##### **A) Update Re: Letter from Rick Grauer**

Chairman Zabinski spoke regarding the letter from Mr. Grauer. He commented because each town is so different it would be difficult to know what Milford could take away from another town. He stated sources of funding would be most important.

Mr. Becvilaqua spoke of some of the towns he has spoken with. A brief discussion ensued.

Mr. Pidluski interjected; he stated there needed to be a basis of understanding regarding specific issues. He stated Milford's issues are specific to Milford. He also stated grants can be specific and that it was important to know where you wanted to put those resources. Discussion resumed.

Mr. Casey spoke of some of the work that has been done and of an upcoming meeting next week. Discussion continued.

Mr. Bevilaqua stated this Board needed to be kept in the loop as to each of the projects, what studies have been done, etc.

Mr. Casey commented when Milone and MacBroom gives a presentation, this Board could participate with the public.

Chairman Zabinski stated this Board has been asking for a comprehensive spreadsheet showing all of the projects in Milford. He stated there are more than 10 projects currently ongoing.

Mr. Bach stated this Board is trying to understand where each of these projects currently stands.

Mr. Bevilaqua added it was this Board that hired the contractors, but they don't know where each project stands.

Chairman Zavinski stated he is looking for a comprehensive spreadsheet each month regarding each of the projects.

City Engineer Pidluski stated he did not see a problem with producing the type of spreadsheet the Board was asking for.

Chairman Zabinski stated without the necessary information, the Board just cannot be productive.

Mr. Bach added there are a lot of interested people concerning these projects, especially in the Wildemere Beach area. Discussion ensued.

#### B) Update Re: Drainage Projects

Mr. Pidluski reported the Morningside project is waiting for final preparations and work can then begin. He stated it is work that can get done during the winter months.

Milford Point Road - working on a concept preliminary design. Mr. Pidluski stated they are trying to set up an appointment with Ms. Jacobsen DEEP.

Mr. Pidluski reported the RFQ is out for Wildemere, Crescent Beach, Welches Point Road, and Gulf Street. He stated Beachland Avenue and Calf Pen Meadow are waiting on the progress of the RFQ.

Mr. Casey stated it was his understanding that the road was going to be raised up which would resolve the issue. He stated he further understood it was going to be done in-house. He asked for follow-up.

Chairman Zabinski asked if this Board would be involved with any of the RFQ's. He also asked who would be conducting the RFQ's.

Mr. Pidluski stated he did not have that information tonight.

Mr. Berndlmaier commented this Board is at a standstill and that it is frustrating considering the Board has already been through the process. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Pidluski also spoke regarding Point Beach Drive and some of the work being done, which he commented is bonded by the City.

Mr. Berndlmaier asked about road restoration and whether it would be done in-house or through a contractor. He also asked if a bid package had been put together.

Mr. Pidluski stated they still needed to meet with DEEP before they can go to design phase.

(Mr. Casey left at 7:40 p.m.)

#### C) Update Re: Coastal Resilience - no formal report.

#### D) Bylaws

Mr. Bach commented regarding public speaking at meetings.

It was the consensus of the Board that there were no further changes to the Bylaws and that the Board would be ready to vote next month.

Mr. Bach commented regarding the various beach associations in Milford and at one point this Board was attempting to find out who is in charge of each of those associations. Discussion ensued regarding the various beach associations as well as condominium associations located on the beach.

Being no further business to discuss, Mr. Bach and Mr. Berndlmaier made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 7:47p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy  
Recording Secretary