

**Joint Meeting of the
Waterbury Village Board of Trustees and Waterbury Select Board
Waterbury Municipal Center
Steele Community Room
May 16, 2016, 6:00 PM**

Attendees:

Trustees: P. Howard Flanders, Village President; Natalie Sherman; Lawrence Sayah

Select Board: Don Schneider, Chair; Chris Nordle; Chris Viens

Staff: Anne Imhoff, ORCA Media; Denise McCarty, Board Secretary; Steve Lotspeich, Community Planner

Public: Everett Coffey, Kathi Grace, Jason Gibbs, Stanley Blow III; Waterbury Record

The Waterbury Select Board Chair and Village President opened the Public Hearing on Draft #5 of the proposed Amendments to the Flood Hazard Area Regulations, dated April 25, 2016 for public comment at 6:00 pm.

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to address flood resiliency issues following the impacts of Tropical Storm Irene and to protect and provide for the health, safety, and general welfare of the Town and Village of Waterbury.

Steve Lotspeich gave a brief introduction and recap of the discussion of Draft #4 as discussed at the April 25th Public Hearing. Tonight's public hearing on Draft #5 reflects changes made in two areas: Section 604(a)(4)(D) (changes on page 10) is changed to elevating utilities to 2 feet above the base flood (100-yr.) elevation (BFE) instead of 3 feet to be consistent with the other bylaw amendments. The second change is on page 16 and page 17, Section 610 regarding Variances. This draft returned to the language from Draft #3 of the amendments referencing the minimum variance standards in the federal statute.

Discussion followed.

Public Comment was taken from Kathy Grace. She asked if the amended variance language requires that there be no change to BFE as a result of the issuance of the variance and is only specific to historic structures and not new development. Steve read directly from the Federal CFR Flood Plain Regulations, Section 60.6, that is referenced in our Flood Hazard Area Regulations. The answer is that these minimum federal standards require that any variance that is issued cannot result in an increase in the BFE for both historic and non-historic buildings or properties.

No other public comment was made.

P. Howard Flanders closed the public hearing on behalf of the Village of Trustees at 6:10 pm. Don Schneider closed the public hearing on behalf of the Waterbury Select Board at 6:11 pm.

P. Howard Flanders called to order the Waterbury Village Trustees meeting at 6:11 p.m. and Don Schneider called to order the Waterbury Select Board meeting at 6:11 p.m. for discussion and consideration of any action on Draft #5 of the proposed Amendments to the Flood Hazard Regulations, dated April 25, 2016.

Consider any amendments to Agenda:

There were no modifications to the agenda as presented.

Action regarding action on Draft #5 of the proposed Amendments to the Flood Hazard Regulations, dated April 25, 2016:

N. Sherman moved to adopt the amendments to the Flood Hazard Regulations presented as Draft #5 dated April 25, 2016. L. Sayah seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Chris Nordle moved to adopt the amendments to the Flood Hazard Regulations presented as Draft 5 dated April 25, 2016. Chris Viens seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

L. Sayah moved to the Village Trustees meeting. N. Sherman seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Chris Viens moved to adjourn the Select Board meeting. Chris Nordle seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm. The Select Board will reconvene at 7:00 pm for their regularly scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise McCarty
Board Secretary

Approved on: May 26, 2016

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