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TOWN HALL
238 Danbury Road
Wilton, CT 06897

BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday April 6, 2022
Held Electronically

PRESENT: First Selectwoman Lynne Vanderslice, Joshua Cole, Kimberley Healy, Ross Tartell
Basam Nabulsi

GUESTS: Rick Tomasetti-Chair Planning & Zoning, Michael Wrinn-Director, Planning & Land Use Management, Frank Smeriglio-Director/Town Engineer Department of Public Works, CFO Dawn Norton

A. Call to Order

Ms. Vanderslice called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

B. Public Comment

Olga Zargos-Traub of Wicks Ends Lane commented on the BOE budget.

Ms. Vanderslice responded to Ms. Zargos-Traub comment.

C. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Mr. Tartell seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 5-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- Minutes
 - Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting – March 22, 2022
- Refunds
 - As per Tax Collectors Memo dated April 4, 2022

D. Discussion and/or Action

1. Contract for New Aerial Truck – Jim Blanchfield
Item tabled, will be discussed at the April 19, 2022 BOS meeting.
2. Planning & Zoning Commission ARPA Funds Request – Chair, Rick Tomasetti
Mr. Tomasetti and Mr. Wrinn reviewed the Planning & Zoning Commission request for funding for an Amenities Master Plan and previously noted master planning.
3. DPW ARPA/Infrastructure Fund Requests – Frank Smeriglio
Mr. Smeriglio presented requests for the following projects.
 - WHS Complex Drainage: Two options for the projects, as per the attached presentation.

- Dredging of School Road Pond, as per the attached presentation.
- Drainage Repairs and Maintenance Between Lower School Road and Catalpa Road, as per the attached presentation.

Mr. Smeriglio addressed questions from the members.

4. Ambler Farm Grant Application, Permission to Install – Frank Smeriglio
Mr. Smeriglio reviewed proposed US Agricultural Dept grant applications to be submitted by Friends of Ambler Farm for funding for the purchase and installation of water and irrigation equipment. The property is town-owned. After review and discussion, Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to authorize the First Selectwoman to execute the grant for the Ambler Farm application moved by Ms. Healy, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 5-0. Mr. Nabulsi noted that there were two grants. Ms. Vanderslice revised the motion to authorize the First Selectwoman to execute the two Ambler Farm grant applications as presented by Mr. Smeriglio. Motion moved by Ms. Healy, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 5-0.
5. BOF Budget Deliberations
Ms. Vanderslice noted the BOF did not reduce the BOS requested budget.
6. FY2023 Bonding Referendum Requests and 5-Year Capital Plan
Ms. Vanderslice and Mr. Smeriglio reviewed the FY2023 Bonding Referendum Requests and 5-Year Capital Plan (see attached). After discussion and review Ms. Vanderslice asked for a motion to approve the fiscal year bonded items as presented under road, bridges, municipal buildings, vehicles and school buildings as referendums for the Annual Town Meeting. Motion moved by Mr. Nabulsi seconded by Mr. Tartell and carried 5-0. Motion redone as Ms. Healy noted FY2023 fiscal year was not noted in the motion. Motion to approve moving the FY2023 bonding items as presented within road, bridges, municipal buildings, vehicles and school buildings. Motion amended to include moved to the Annual Town Meeting. Motion moved by Mr. Nabulsi, seconded by Mr. Tartell and carried 5-0
7. Annual Town Meeting Procedures
Ms. Vanderslice reviewed the Annual Town Meeting Procedures with the board noting the meeting will take place on Tuesday May 3, 2022 (in person) with adjourned voting taking place on Saturday May 7, 2022. She noted the meeting will be broadcast on Zoom, but eligible residents must be in person to participate.
8. Appointments
 - Motion moved by Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Healy to appoint Dawn Norton as Treasurer for the remaining term of the vacancy. Motion carried 5-0.
 - Motion moved by Mr. Nabulsi seconded by Ms. Healy to appoint Rachel Albanese as Hearing Officer. Motion carried 5-0.

E. Public Comment

Scott Lawrence of Hemmelskamp Rd. commented on the proposed Amenities Master Plan for the town and the WHS Complex drainage project.

Steve Hudspeth of Glen Hill Rd. commented on the BoE budget.

F. Selectmen's Reports

1. First Selectwoman
 - Ms. Vanderslice provided an update on discussions for a proposed shared regional firing range.

- Ms. Vanderslice informed the board that the employee/employer section of the recently passed State Cannabis legislation takes effect on July 1. Discussions will be held at an upcoming meeting
- Ms. Vanderslice apologized to Good Morning Wilton and especially Kathy Bonnist regarding comments made during a previous board meeting during a discussion of proposed Friends of Advocacy Group guidelines. She noted she should have addressed the comments immediately. She then clarified the definition of a Friends of Advocacy Group.
- Ms. Vanderslice noted activists are encouraging negative commentary on WestCOG's regional affordable housing plan, which includes Wilton. Similar activities are occurring in other regions and communities which have individual plans.

2. Selectmen

Ms. Healy

Ms. Healy gave a reminder that on April 13, 2022 at 7:00pm, in person and online, League of Women Voters will be hosting event - How Wilton Works at the Library in the Brubeck Room.

Mr. Tartell

None.

Mr. Cole

None.

Mr. Nabulsi

None.

G. Executive Session to Discuss Contract Negotiations

Motion moved to go into Executive Session at to Discuss Contract Negotiations at 9:22pm by Ms. Healy, seconded by Mr. Tartell and carried 5-0.

Out of Executive Session and back in regular session at 10:01pm.

H. Adjournment

There being no further business, motion to adjourn meeting at 10:02pm. Motion moved by Mr. Tartell, seconded by Ms. Healy and carried 5-0.

Jacqueline Rochester

Recording Secretary

Taken from Video

Department of Public Works ARPA/Infrastructure Fund Requests

Funding requests are for the highest priority drainage and flood mitigation projects:

- *Wilton High School Sports Complex*
- *Dredging of School Road*
- *Drainage Repairs and Maintenance Between Lower School Road and Catalpa Road*

Wilton High School Sports Complex Field Hydraulic Analysis

Town of Wilton

Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

4/6/22



Study Purpose

- Evaluate existing flooding conditions at the field area for various storms by using a hydraulic model.
- Evaluate different options for improvements to reduce the flooding and future damage to the field.
- Compile estimated cost information for the different proposed flood mitigation alternatives.
 - Cost estimates provided by Stantec are very preliminary with contingencies of 20% for design/inspection, 20% of costs not considered, 20% contingency and 5% cost escalation.

Definitions & Costs

<u>Type Of Storm</u>	<u>Inches of Rain/1 hour</u>	<u>Inches of Rain/6 hours</u>	<u>Inches of Rain/12 hours</u>	<u>Inches of Rain/24 hours</u>	<u>Percent Chance of Occurring Each Year</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Type 1	1.79	3.59	4.49	5.45	10%	-----
Type 2	2.12	4.33	5.43	6.61	4%	\$174,000
Type 3	2.38	4.88	6.13	7.49	2%	\$1,078,000
Type 4	2.63	5.46	6.87	8.43	1%	\$1,160,000
Type 5	2.88	6.14	7.73	9.54	0.5%	\$1,160,000
Type 6	3.22	7.13	9.00	11.20	0.2%	-----

Data Source:

- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)- An agency in the Department of Commerce that maps the oceans and predicts changes to the earth's environment - increased storm intensities by approximately 10-15% over the last 7 – 8 years.
- This information is used as the basis of Storm Drainage design.

Historical Storms:

- September 1st, 2021, Tropical Storm Ida: Approximately 6 inches of rain in 6 -8 hours--Type 4+
- Historical Precipitation by Day for Bridgeport Area, CT:
 - 5.3 inches of rain April 23, 2006
 - 4.80 inches of rain Sept 28, 2012
 - 4.43 inches of rain Jun. 7, 2013
 - 4.15 inches of rain July 9, 2021
 - 4.01 inches of rain Aug 27, 2006
 - 3.99 inches of rain July 3, 2020
 - 3.29 inches of rain Oct 24, 2017

Watershed Areas



FIGURE 1:
DRAINAGE MAP
Wilton Hydraulic Study
Wilton, CT

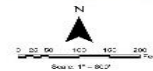


Existing Conditions-Type 1 (10%) Storm

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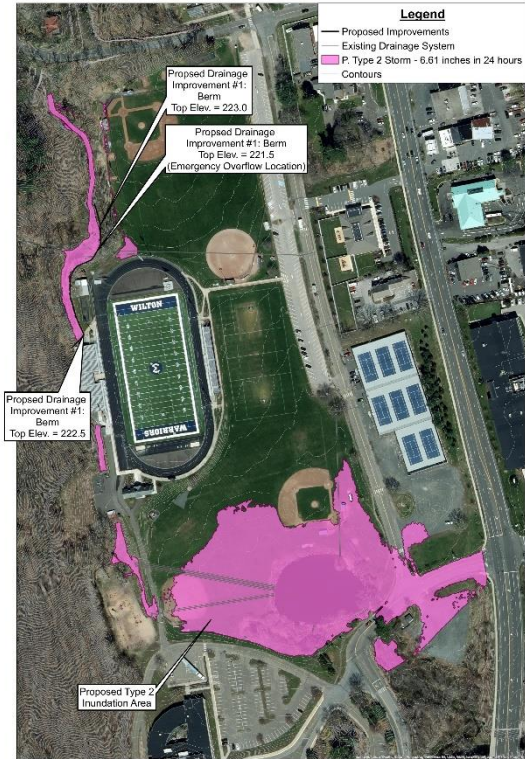
Figure 2:
Existing Type I Inundation Area
Design Storm: 5.45 inches in 24 hours
Wilton, CT



Stadium and sections of other fields are flooded with a Type 1 Storm

Option 1: Install Berm/Wall at Channel-Protects up to Type 2 Storm

Type 2 (4%) Storm



Proposed Drainage Improvements:
1. Berm

Figure 4:
Proposed Type 2 Inundation Area
Design Storm: 6.61 inches in 24 hours
Wilton, CT



Type 3 (2%) Storm



Proposed Drainage Improvements:
1. Berm

Figure 5:
Proposed Type 3 Inundation Area
Design Storm: 7.49 inches in 24 hours
Wilton, CT



Option 2: Berm/Wall, New 36" Culvert-Protect to Type 3

Type 3 (2%) Storm



Figure 6:
Proposed Type 3 Inundation Area
Design Storm: 7.49 inches in 24 hours
Wilton, CT

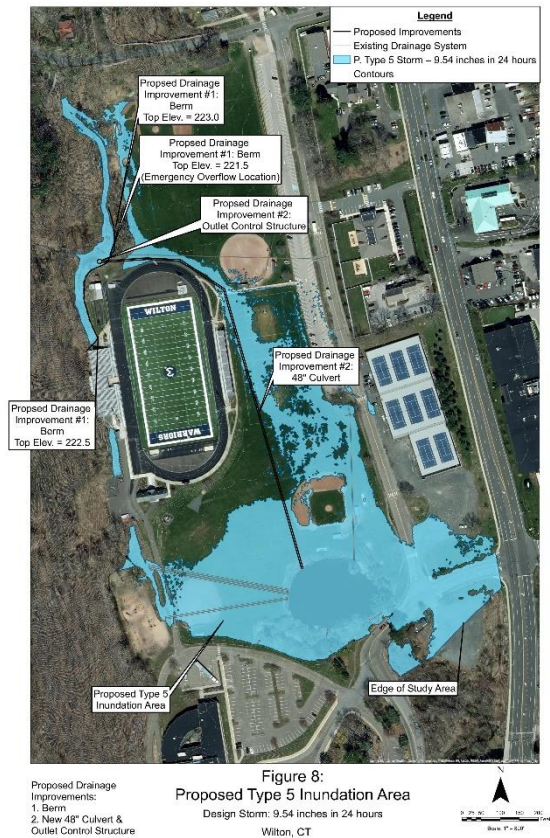
Type 4 (1%) Storm



Figure 7:
Proposed Type 4 Inundation Area
Design Storm: 8.43 inches in 24 hours
Wilton, CT

Option 3: Berm/Wall, New 48" Culvert

Type 5 (.5%) Storm



Summary

- **Tropical Storm Ida was between a Type 4 a Type 5 Storm, with a less than 1% change of occurrence. The result was**
 - *Over \$300,000 of repairs. 75% of which are expected to be reimbursed by FEMA.*
 - *Wilton employees diverted from normal work. Delays in the normal work.*
 - *Loss of the use of the field on the track for approximately 6 weeks.*
- **Option 1 at an estimated cost of \$173,662 will provide protection for a Type 2 storm, which has a 4% chance of occurrence each year.**
- **Option 2, at an estimated cost of \$1,078,028, will provide protection up to a Type 3 storm, with a 2% chance of occurrence each year.**
- **Option 3, at an estimated cost of \$1,159,538, will provide protection up to a Type 5 storm, with a .5% chance of occurrence each year.**

Estimated Cost

Option 1	Estimated Cost
Soil Berm	\$12,750
Rip Rap	\$17,500
Concrete Wall	\$75,000
Contingencies	<u>\$68,412</u>
Total	\$173,662

Option 2	Estimated Cost
Soil Berm	\$12,750
Rip Rap	\$17,500
Concrete Wall	\$75,000
OCS Structure	\$15,000
Manholes	\$50,000
36” HDPE Pipe	\$438,000
Field Restoration	\$45,000
Contingencies	<u>\$424,677</u>
Total	\$1,078,028

Option 3	Estimated Cost
Soil Berm	\$12,750
Rip Rap	\$17,500
Concrete Wall	\$75,000
OCS Structure	\$15,000
Manholes	\$50,000
48” HDPE Pipe	\$487,000
Field Restoration	\$45,000
Contingencies	<u>\$456,787</u>
Total	\$1,159,538

Pond Dredging: Estimated Cost - \$754,875

- Remove accumulated silt within the existing pond near the JV Baseball Field.
- Includes testing, excavating and remove material to a disposal facility.

Item	Estimated Costs
Remove Sediment Forebay	\$24,000
Sediment Material Disposal	\$42,000
Dredge Pond	\$108,000
Dredge Material Disposal	\$283,500
Contingencies	<u>\$297,375</u>
Total	\$754,875

Maintenance: Approximate Cost - \$292,875

- Video inspect existing storm pipes,
- Clean pipes as needed,
- Remove various trees along the existing stream,
- Install large stones along stream bed.

Item	Estimated Costs
TV Pipes	\$80,000
Clean Pipes	\$60,000
Remove Trees	\$20,000
Rip rap channel banks	\$17,500
Contingencies	<u>\$115,375</u>
Total	\$292,875

Guy Whitten Field – Potential Turf Installation Issues

- Stormwater overflow from stream would drain onto this potential field,
- Field would have to extend into the adjacent parking lot by approximately 25 feet. This is needed to accommodate field runoff area and to accommodate stormwater overflow area in between both fields,
- Field would have to be raised by approximately 2 feet near the softball field and approximately 6 feet near the JV Baseball field.
- The football field would extend into the JV Baseball field leaving the distance between home plate and football field approximately 265 feet.

**TOWN OF WILTON
5 YEAR BONDED CAPITAL REQUESTS**

Department	Project	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
Roads and Bridges	Road Restoration	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 2,678,000	\$ 2,758,340	\$ 2,841,090	\$ 2,926,323	\$ 12,303,753
	Bridge Replacement	\$ 760,137	\$ 1,989,150	\$ 767,215	\$ 755,216	\$ 272,373	\$ 4,544,091
		<u>\$ 1,860,137</u>	<u>\$ 4,667,150</u>	<u>\$ 3,525,555</u>	<u>\$ 3,596,306</u>	<u>\$ 3,198,696</u>	<u>\$ 16,847,844</u>
Municipal Buildings	Police Headquarters	\$ 16,400,000					\$ 16,400,000
	Town Hall-Electrical & HVAC		\$ 1,500,000				\$ 1,500,000
	Town Campus Parking Lots Paving				\$ 250,000		\$ 250,000
		<u>\$ 16,400,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,500,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 250,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 18,150,000</u>
Vehicles	DPW-Vacuum Truck	\$ 500,000					\$ 500,000
	Fire Dept-Replacement Engine		\$ 650,000				\$ 650,000
		<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ 650,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,150,000</u>
School Buildings	District Roof Replacements	\$ 600,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000			\$ 1,600,000
	Middlebrook and Cider Mill HVAC Replac/Add Service	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000			\$ 2,100,000
	Cider Mill and Middlebrook Elevator Replacements		\$ 275,000	\$ 275,000			\$ 550,000
	Middlebrook and WHS Renovations-Amounts TBD		*	*	*		\$ -
		<u>\$ 700,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,775,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,775,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,250,000</u>
Total Bonded		<u>\$ 19,460,137</u>	<u>\$ 8,592,150</u>	<u>\$ 5,300,555</u>	<u>\$ 3,846,306</u>	<u>\$ 3,198,696</u>	<u>\$ 40,397,844</u>