

**APPROVED MINUTES
WATER RESOURCES & ADVISORY BOARD**

A meeting of the Water Resources & Advisory Board held on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Geer Conference Room at City Hall, 27600 Jefferson Circle Drive, St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

PRESENT

Chairman: Joe Claycomb

Commissioners:
Warren Danford
Ronald Dest
Robert Krompatic
Alex Lince
Robert Michielutti, Jr.
Michael Monaghan

ABSENT

Glenn Sexton, Building Official

ALSO PRESENT

Jim Osterhout, Building Official
Mike Green, Assistant City Manager
Ayla Klein, Recording Secretary

Emerson Beaver, 23017 Ardmore Park Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Claycomb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Lince to excuse Glenn Sexton from the meeting.

**AYES: All
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 1, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Monaghan made corrections to the minutes. He said that at the last meeting he stated the following and it needs to be included.

Mr. Ihrie said the petitioner indicated that he was told that he could construct the boathouse after he deconstructed the boat house. Monaghan said that we never said that and we would never allow that. He said Mr. Ihrie agreed that he shouldn't be given the right to put it back up.

Monaghan said that he stated that ignorance is no excuse for the law.

Mr. Ihrie indicated if there was a cause of hardship that we have to worry about riparian rights, but Monaghan said riparian rights are straight off your property and not to the left or right.

Monaghan said that he stated that now he can only put up 4 sticks and a roof.

Monaghan said that it should comply with the city ordinances.

The board discussed about the understanding of what was discussed at the last meeting.

Michielutti made a motion, supported by Lince to approve the February 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes as corrected.

**AYES: All
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None**

Canal Case #01-2022 – Huron Pointe Excavating on behalf of Emerson Beaver and Karen Meldrum – 23017 Ardmore Park Drive – Install 57 linear feet of new steel sheet pile 1 foot or less waterward of the existing steel bulkhead. Remove existing boat hoist and install a new flushmount boat hoist. The roof structure must be removed to replace the hoist and will be replaced back upon the new hoist with minor modification to fit the width of the new hoist. Roof footprint remains unchanged.

Claycomb said the height should be 580.2'.

Danford questions the dimensions. One page shows 16 ft. from the wall out and another page shows 20 ft. out.

Dest clarified that 20 ft. is the dimension of the roof.

The board reviewed and discussed the plans.

Michielutti asked Mr. Beaver to clarify that the roof is overhanging the posts by 12" to 18" and Mr. Beaver said yes, that is correct.

Mr. Beaver said the roof will stay exactly the way it is now.

Danford said the old measurements don't show the roof measurements. They were approved last year for a hoist and no roof.

Mr. Beaver said his wife decided she wanted the roof, so they want to keep the four posts and the roof the same size that is existing. He said they are not doing anything different than what it is now. It won't occupy any space outside of the roof line in the canal. Instead of the davit they will put in a Rotomag hoist. It will be positioned so that they will make sure that it is 4 ft. from the property line. The lift of the hoist will be positioned so that when it swings into the yard on the deck, it will be 4 ft. from the property line.

Lince said there is no verbiage on the application that talks about the Rotomag hoist. This drawing doesn't match what is in the verbiage. He said the drawing needs to be updated and resubmitted.

Mr. Beaver said what they are doing in the canal with the davit is the same and the only difference is this will be a platform that lifts and swings around.

Danford, Michielutti, and Lince agreed that the homeowner needs to amend the drawing.

Krompatic said he would say that any recommendations that are put forth should be in the motion including upon the completion of the project the vessel should not be any closer than 4 ft. to the property line.

Dest mentioned that on the west side of the property, the seawall is set back 7 ft. from the neighbor's seawall. He said our requirement is to have a 45-degree angle there.

Mr. Beaver said they received approval for those drawings as they stand. He said he is here because he wants to be totally transparent and to request approval of the roof. He said if he has to do a 45-degree angle, it presents issues.

Dest referred to the minutes from the meeting in 2019 when this project was first approved and it says that the 45-degree angle would be installed.

Mr. Beaver reviewed those minutes and thanked Dest. He will install the 45-degree angle there. He doesn't want debris collecting there, so he is glad to install the 45-degree angle there. He will talk to his contractor.

Monaghan said he will need to bring the drawings to get approved.

Mr. Beaver said currently from the top of the wall to the peak off the roof is 7.5' with a 2.5' pitch. He will like it to be 13' with a 2.5' pitch.

Krompatic made a motion, supported by Monaghan to approve Canal Case #01-2022 – Huron Pointe Excavating on behalf of Emerson Beaver and Karen Meldrum – 23017 Ardmore Park Drive – Install 57 linear feet of new steel sheet pile 1 foot or less waterward of the existing steel bulkhead. Remove existing boat hoist and install a new flushmount boat hoist. The roof structure must be removed to replace the hoist and will be replaced back upon the new hoist with minor modification to fit the width of the new hoist. Roof footprint remains unchanged. With the following updates: a 45-degree angle at the west property line, that the application is updated to include the Rotomag hoist that includes the hoist capacity of 1,500 lbs., the boom radius will be deleted, no portion of the stored vessel is to be closer than 4 ft. of the property line, a signed Hold Harmless Agreement, and the height of the boathouse roof to comply with all applicable ordinances of the City of St. Clair Shores.

**AYES: All
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None**

Mr. Beaver asked a question about a temporary canvas material on the sides of a boathouse in his area and the board discussed that.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD - None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mike Green, Assistant City Manager, introduced himself and said he will be here to help out any way that he can.

Claycomb informed the board that we are still looking for an alternate member on this board. We are allowed to have seven members and one alternate member. He said as a suggestion, he feels it is not a good idea to get someone that lives on the same street that other board members live on.

Monaghan said the lady that was here at the last meeting is interested, but she lives on Bayview.

There was discussion on the what the maximum height of a boat well and about how it's from grade.

Osterhout said he will look into it and will have the answer at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Monaghan made a motion, supported by Krompatic to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: All
NAYS: None
ABSENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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