

CITY OF OSWEGO

PLANNING BOARD

April 22, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cory Moshier, Jeffrey Hinderliter, Matthew Bacon, Kim McPherson, Brit Hallenbeck, James Scanlon, Daniel Breitweg, and Chairman Freeman.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

Mr. Caraccioli said this meeting is being held in accordance with the Governor's executive order 202.1 which allows for meetings of public bodies provided the meeting is open to the public and recorded and available for transcription and playback.

Chairman Freeman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday April 22, 2020. Roll call was duly noted.

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 2020 meeting was made by Jeffrey Hinderliter and seconded by Brit Hallenbeck; minutes unanimously approved.

Jeffrey Hinderliter made a motion that all actions taken tonight are excluded, exempt or Type II actions for the purpose of the State Environmental Quality Review Law unless otherwise stated. Motion seconded by James Scanlon, unanimous approval.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Site Plan Review & Approval – 41 Lake Street, Case 20-64; to allow for repairs from 2017 Flood Damage under FEMA guidelines and also various long-term improvements as part of the NYS REDI Funding, Sections 280-48 thru 280-51.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Barlow was present for the discussion. Mayor Barlow said the first item is on Wright's Landing. He said the high water levels associated with Plan 2014 on Lake Ontario have produced approximately \$5.5 million of damage to public infrastructure since 2017. He said FEMA has stepped up to provide funding for areas that were damaged such as Wright's Landing Marina, Breitbeck Park, Shore Road, and the Riverwalk area. He said a bit later, as the damage compounded year after year since 2017, Governor Cuomo and the state legislature stepped up and created what they called the REDI program. He said the REDI program allocated \$300 million out of the state budget for municipalities and regions along Lake Ontario to essentially compete for the funding. He said the point of the project was to restore, repair, and build the shoreline back better and in a more resilient fashion assuming that these new higher water levels are the new normal which looks like for the foreseeable future is accurate. He said the other point of this project is to use the waterfront, the new projects, and this funding to generate economic activity along the waterfront like municipalities along Lake Ontario in New York State have never done before. He said that was the criteria given to the City of Oswego back in 2019 to compete for the funding and try to secure funding. He said that is what they set out to do early last year. He said they were made aware of the REDI program criteria to secure the funding around April after the state budget was passed. He said the plans were due by early July. He said they had already conducted waterfront feasibility studies in the past. He said they had some plans that they pulled off the shelf that people talked about wanting to do for a long time and never did. He said they also came up with some new ideas that they think would be helpful in bringing in some economic activity and drawing residents and visitors alike to Oswego's waterfront. He said he thinks that board members and the public would agree that Oswego, for being a waterfront community, has always failed to capitalize on that asset and that resource. He said they have failed to capitalize for decades on using that tool as an economic tool and drawing people to our community. He said in his opinion this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to build a resilient, stronger waterfront but also a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to actually capitalize and use the waterfront the way they should be and the way municipalities all across this country have successfully done and for whatever reason Oswego hasn't. He said they developed a plan for Wright's Landing. He said in the water front feasibility study that they did some years ago two of the biggest issues were amenities and fuel availability. He said they have already added fuel tanks and some other changes. He said their REDI plan is a multifaceted approach that will get residents down to the waterfront and our marina. He said it will be more attractive to boaters and get residents and visitors down to engage the waterfront. He said they secured \$6 million for the improvements to Wright's Landing. He said the improvements include elevating 2 to 3 different areas of the marina. He said he is talking about the pavilion area where the restroom facility is next to the boat launch, the parking lot where boaters park to walk out onto the slips, and where the kayak and row boat launch is on the western end of the marina. He said their plan proposes elevating that,

closing off the small launch where a lot of the water that enters the marina comes in, and replace that launch with picnic tables, seating area, fire pit, and landscaping to provide people an area to congregate and spend some time. He said they will be reinforcing the shoreline with sheet pilings so they aren't seeing the erosion that shorelines are currently seeing. He said they also have funding allocated for a vanilla box building that can be placed in the marina for the City to develop an RFP and possibly publicly solicit for a restaurant or bar owner to place a facility in there to generate some economic activity the state is looking for. Brit Hallenbeck said this is a long time coming and it looks great. Chairman Freeman asked if there were any questions from the public. Jeffrey Hinderliter said this is a new medium for us. He said right now there are 38 participants in this meeting. He said if you do speak and someone else starts speaking feel free to yield the right of way. He asked them to state their name for the record when they speak. He said if it gets too chaotic as moderator he will mute all the lines and try to bring it back in order that way. He said they have received emails and letters and those comments are part of the record. He said with this format it is much easier if they can try to make sure the comments are adding to the conversation and not just reiterating conversation. Captain Ed Monette asked if the plans are set in stone already. Mayor Barlow said the Waterfront Commission is chaired by Mayor Sullivan and their job is to come up with new ideas beyond the projects that are already set in motion. He said for tonight's agenda items, what the Board will be approving tonight and what the City has already mapped out is the general concept and the direction in which they are moving. He said the general concept is they want to close the small boat launch because that is what is causing a lot of the flooding in the marina. He said they will replace it with a fire pit and a seating area and picnic area. He said they will elevate the marina three feet to prevent it from flooding so he doesn't have to close it in the future. He said they are going to improve the pavilion and reinforce the shoreline with sheet piling. He said it is a working document. He said the Board tonight will hopefully approve the concept and the site plans for both. He said the project will never totally be done and designed until the last nail is in the ground and they cut the ribbon. He said there are different phases. He said there is the conceptual phase which is where they are. He said there is the design phase which is after approval where they are going to go where a work scope and bid documents are generated. He said then there is the construction work where they still have the ability to make changes. He said what they are discussing tonight is the general concept and that is what the Board will be voting on. Captain Monette asked how they know if three feet is high enough. Mayor Barlow said the water levels that their engineers have been using have been provided to them by the state and federal government on what to expect moving forward. He said they think three feet is well above what the "new normal" will be. He said they saw last year what he hopes will be the worst of the worst as far as water levels go and they are going to build way above that. Jeffrey Hinderliter said they are approving a site plan. He said the plans are in development. He said a couple weeks ago they only had 10% plans and now 60% plans have come out. He said right now they are focusing on Phase 1 of the project which is demolition and preparation. He said things are still developing so the site plans are conceptual. He said as a Board they are voting on that concept and not the particular details because they are still being worked out. Mr. Caraccioli said this is a Type II action. He said he knows it was announced in the beginning that all actions tonight or Type II unless otherwise stated but because these are particular projects, REDI projects, millions and millions of dollars were granted through the

efforts of Mary Barlow to upgrade Wright's Landing and the international marina, and because the REDI Commission wants a record of proof of the municipalities environmental review process, he recommends a motion be made declaring both projects a Type II actions. He said if it is declared a Type II action no further environmental review is necessary. He said the staff reviewed this together with the project engineers and they are confident in recommending that this is a Type II action under the SEQR regulations. He said primarily because these are existing facilities within the City of Oswego and these constitute renovations or modifications of existing facilities. He said for that purpose under the SEQR regulations a municipality is entitled to declare a particular project of this nature a Type II action. He said before a final determination is made, he recommends they have a separate motion declaring both of these projects Type II actions. Kim McPherson said the Wright's Landing area looks amazing. She said on page 8 there is something said about a park. She said it says they are going to demo the park and raise the park. She asked if the park is the seating area they referenced. Mayor Barlow said when you drive down the one-way road past the parking lot what they are calling a park is that area where the small boat ramp is and on either side is picnic tables and trees. He said that area will be totally excavated and will be raised three feet higher. He said that ramp will be no more because that is where the water is coming in. He said it'll be replaced with a fire pit seating area and some other seating options. Kim McPherson said it states on page 7, when discussing the vanilla box that may be going up, that it may be infeasible in that location. She said she was having a difficult time determining where they planned for that to be. Mayor Barlow said if you were driving down the one-way street along the parking lot, the preliminary plan is if the budget allows to put a simple building there that perhaps a local restaurant or bar owner could do. He said they could have either some sort of outdoor marine or coastal themed bar there or a restaurant like a hotdog or burger joint or ice cream shop. He said the City would own the building and they would publicly put out a process where any interested business owners could apply to lease that building from the City. He said it would be across the street from the pavilion and a little further west. He said the exact location isn't necessarily going to be exactly there. A member of the public said under the pavilion you have the hot dog grillers. He asked if they are going away. Mayor Barlow said the pavilion that he is talking about isn't part of the Wright's Landing plan and not part of the REDI Funding. He said that is being redeveloped with funding from the grant they received in 2018 from the CFA. He said the grills will be replaced with brand new grills. He said that pavilion will be a bit larger with a more modern design. He said it will be a space where people can fit under with a few more amenities for people to use. He said by people he means tenants who rent slips in the marina and also the public if they make reservations. The member of the public asked if they are getting new kayaks or old kayaks. Mayor Barlow said Wright's Landing rents kayaks and they will continue to do that once these plans are done. The next to come forward was John McMullan. He said he has been coming to Oswego for about 26 years now. He said he utilizes Wright's Landing and he is a member of the Oswego Yacht Club. He asked if any of the REDI Funding is related to moving the power so they don't incur power loss for their boats during potential flooding again. Mayor Barlow said the new plan that they are designing will prevent them from having to cut off power every time the water goes up. He said they are elevating the marina to approximately a 252 level. He said they will make sure amenities and power are accessible at the level. John McMillan asked about damage that occurred from the storm two years ago that damaged the

attenuator dock at the international marina. Mr. Caraccioli said the international marina is a separate project that is on this evening so in order to keep the dialogue accurate between the two projects he would ask that he reserves those comments for the next project. Captain Monette asked if this project would include putting Wi-Fi in. He asked if they would have a deal with Spectrum so that if they wanted to run security cameras on their vessel they would have a spot that they would be able to connect to throughout the marina. Mayor Barlow said it is not part of the REDI program. He said they have very limited Wi-Fi now but just as they incorporated Wi-Fi throughout downtown Oswego they are going to do the same thing at the marina. He said part of the 2018 grant is constructing the boater access center which will have a new ticket booth where people can actually stop in. He said there will be kiosks in there so people can look up all things Oswego. He said there will be Wi-Fi there and they plan to extend it throughout all corners of the marina and Breitbeck Park. He said they are also going to put up City security cameras to better protect the marina. He said it is outside this project but it'll all come together at about the same time. The next to come forward was Ann Gates. She said since they are taking away the kayak and paddleboard launch what availability are they providing for the paddle boards and kayaks for easy access to the marina. Mayor Barlow said when people rent kayaks and paddle boats from Wright's Landing they encourage them to take off from the most eastern ramp where the motor boats go. He said that seems to be a safe place. He said the second location will be the area on Harbor Trail where they put a dock finger out into the lake quite a few feet. He said the third area will be the ramp they are creating at East 10 ½ Street. Jeffrey Hinderliter made a motion to declare the Wright's Landing project Type II under SEQR. BH seconded the motion, unanimous approval.

DECISION: Cory Moshier made a motion for site plan approval to allow for repairs from 2017 Flood Damage under FEMA guidelines and also various long-term improvements as part of the NYS REDI Funding. Motion seconded by Brit Hallenbeck, unanimous approval.

2. Site Plan Review & Approval – 19 Lake Street, Case 20-66; to allow for repairs from 2017 Flood Damage under FEMA guidelines and also various long-term improvements as part of the NYS REDI Funding, Sections 280-48 thru 280-51.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Barlow was present for the discussion. Mayor Barlow said this is the second project in the REDI money that the City secured from New York State. He said for the International Pier they have received \$6.5 million. He said the International Pier project is a project that he feels will be transformative for the waterfront and for the city as a whole. He said if you travel around the country and you see a pier that reaches out into a harbor or a body of water, it is often the most coveted piece of property in that community. He said he is disappointed when he looks at the pier that we have and it is a gravel driveway, not in very good shape and has one building on it. He said he thinks they can and should do better. He said they need to start treating this area like the most coveted and valuable piece of property as it should be. He said the idea is to replace the gravel driveway and make it a pedestrian friendly boardwalk that the public would want to go out and enjoy. He said after they made the improvements to Breitbeck Park and Harbor Trail, you see people out there every day using it. He said they want to do the same to the pier. He said he thinks they can do that by focusing on pedestrians and making it a boardwalk and a pier similar to what other communities across the country do. He said while designing this concept they are also sensitive to the building that is out there that the City of Oswego leases to the yacht club for about \$600 a month. He said they are planning to have the club in that building for the foreseeable future so they tried to strike the balance between accomplishing their goals of getting people to use the pier as it should be while also allowing it to still be somewhat convenient for the Yacht Club. He said the pier will have a gateway arch at the entrance and a boardwalk type feel with railings all the way around where people can go look into the water, check out the boats, and walk the perimeter of the pier. He said they will have a winding pedestrian path that will take people out slightly past the Yacht Club building. He said the path will have bollards on it that can be removed temporarily in case a distributing truck needs to get out there and unload something. He said the end of the pier is an area that is still open to new ideas and suggestions. He said he wants to leave that area generally open but he thinks they could have some sort of attraction out on the end. He said he wants it to be a space that can be used for different reasons. He said they could take the bandstand out there to have a concert, someone could set up a temporary tent to get married, and a class reunion could have a class picnic. He said when there isn't anything scheduled he would like it to be an open, relaxing area that the public could use. He said he thinks this extends the two trails they have worked hard to restore – the Harbor Trail and the West Linear Riverwalk. He said a bulk of this funding will be to address the structural issues with the pier. He said all three sides of the pier are in bad shape and in imminent danger of being condemned. He said the integrity of the pier is weakening at a fast rate. He said they want to restore the entire perimeter of the pier with new sheet pilings so that it not only repairs the damage but also prevents it. Daniel Breitweg said it was his assumption that the pier was private. Mayor Barlow said this should be the most valuable piece of property and he thinks that most of the general public think that it is private. He said the City leases the building and only the building to the Oswego Yacht Club. He said the pier is owned by the City and is open to the public. He said many don't go there because they think it is private. He said with

this plan they will make it more public and make sure people realize it is public and get down there and use it. Mr. Caraccioli said the building is publicly owned by the City of Oswego and the entire pier is public property. He said all aspects of the pier are public. He said there is a lease agreement that is entered into between the City of Oswego and the Oswego Yacht Club for the use of a portion of the building and some amenities surrounding it. He said anyone from the public is invited out there to utilize it. He said it is public property. He said the intention is to make this even more publicly accessible for the foreseeable future. Chairman Freeman said they have gotten a couple of emails from the Yacht Club. He asked if the plan includes keeping the buildings that the Yacht Club built there. Mayor Barlow said they are all details they are working on as the plan develops. He said they will want to hear from the club on how often they are using these buildings and what they are using them for. He said it is city property. He said they have been willing to allow them to place these buildings, equipment and storage to accommodate them. He said he will emphasize that the plan is to make this boardwalk and pier a pedestrian friendly, public pier and that is going to be the first priority. He said accommodating buildings, storage and parking will be a second priority. He said as this plan develops and as they get into these fine details, they will work with the Yacht Club. He said they are not going to have sheds and storage buildings sit on the most valuable piece of property in the city. He said it doesn't make any sense. He said he is happy to work with them on logistical issues moving forward as long as they realize this is the direction they are heading. He said they want people out there, they want green space, and they want to focus on pedestrians. He said as long as they understand that they can work out all the issues as they develop. Jeffrey Hinderliter said right now this is a conceptual plan. He said he is not sure the plan is beyond what they see. He said this is the second project. He said the primary focus is Wright's Landing and that is the first project being awarded. Aaron Falkenmeyer said the most recent submittal to REDI was the 10% submittal. He said progress is being made on the 30% but they are early on in the programming and layout of what will be here. He said the final product could vary from what it looks like now in the renderings. Jeffrey Hinderliter said as the Board they are looking at a concept and approving that concept. He said in his opinion it is a great concept. He said it is capitalizing on one of their great assets. James Scanlon asked about parking on the pier. He asked if they need to be there. Mayor Barlow said they are trying to strike a balance with the first priority being to turn this into a place people want to go to and enjoy. He said if they were to leave it up to him there would be no parking out there and make the entire pier from beginning to end a boardwalk focused solely on people. He said the rendering shows approximately 19 parking spaces. He said that is something they are designating to provide some parking to people who travel to the Yacht Club and get them a bit closer to the building. He said they also have some charter captains that are based out of the International Marina. He said they would encourage people taking those fishing trips to park out in the parking lot and not take those spots close up. He said they realize people with disabilities that are not only going on trips but also walking on the pier need closer access. He said charter captains also have to pull up close to the boat to unload equipment so they would be looking to work with them to establish a parking plan utilizing those spots. Jeff McGann said whenever two projects of this magnitude, especially involving such a prime piece of property, is undertaken there is always some uncertainty and inconvenience to everyone involved. He said he thinks they are very fortunate that the Mayor has taken such an aggressive approach to get

the funding and to build it back better so they don't have to deal with this in the future. He said they have to look at the alternative to not doing this. He said three to five years down the road what they have now that is substandard will be gone. He said ultimately they will end up with something that they can all be proud of and use for a long time. Jeffrey Hinderliter made a motion to declare this a Type II under SEQR. Chairman Freeman seconded the motion, unanimous approval. Chairman Freeman asked if there were any questions from the public. The first to come forward was Phil McBrearty, on behalf of the Oswego Yacht Club. Phil McBrearty said they submitted written comments and asked that they be made part of the record. He said they look forward to partnering with the City to accomplish a great, world-class waterfront. He said he thinks they are on the right track to get that done and they are delighted with the work being put into it. He said they would like them to take into consideration that the Oswego Yacht Club has public, community sailing and the Oswego School District sailing programs that they run from the marina. He said they want to know if that will be part of the plan and they would like to advocate strongly that it be made part of the plan. He said they would like certain considerations like how many slips there would be at the marina and whether their club dock could be attached which is useful for the City and they have regattas that they hold there. He said they are plans that they can work on later. He said they do believe the club dock is an important issue that should be addressed. Captain Monette said they are talking about making it a boardwalk and as a charter captain he understands that because he likes to see things that are looking nice when his clients are there. He said they are going to lose a lot of parking there. He asked if it is possible to get a circle driveway all the way around the pier so people can load the stuff in and unload handicapped passengers. He said when you have to go up to the floating dock it can be a problem when you have handicapped people because it is not as stable. He said the way the docks are currently on the eastside of the pier seem to be a lot better situation than when he was at Wright's Landing because they never have a weed problem over there with the current that comes through that river. He said that is what he loves about the International Marina. Mayor Barlow said he wants the pier beyond the parking spaces they see. He said the exact number and the way the parking is situated can still be changed and tweaked. He said he is not comfortable in extending a road beyond where you see it end because where vehicles are, people usually aren't. He said he doesn't see it being an insurmountable distance for people to go to get on the boats. He said when it comes to ADA accessibility; Wright's Landing and the International Marina have no ADA accessibility. He said they have instructed the engineers to make sure all facilities are ADA accessible. Captain Monette said he has heard reports where they wanted to push the docks off of the west end where all that erosion is. He said obviously they see that erosion there so they know that the boats that would be there would be taking a beating. He said on the other side they have never had to worry about weeds. He said because the water is a lot more stagnant at Wright's Landing, they have weeds there where you have to come in and chop them. Mayor Barlow said that is good feedback that he hasn't heard before. He said it is definitely worth taking into consideration. He said they had renderings drawn up with docks on the eastside and the westside to see how it looks. He said the reason the docks aren't showing on the rendering is because they haven't made that decision yet. He said they have heard pros and cons to both placements. He said with the eastside they realize it is deeper so it gives the sailboats, the Yacht Club and charters more depth to work in. He said the issue is it is a little

more exposed to the elements with the exterior attenuator damaged. He said that attenuator hasn't been funded in the REDI grant or the FEMA grant so that would drive up the costs. He said with the docks placed on the westside of the pier they have heard the concern of sailboats not being as accessible because of depth and the traffic coming in and out of the boat launches. He said that is new information that he has given him. Tom Duran said he races sailboats out of International. He said the latest rendering doesn't show access to the hoist that is currently there and owned by the Yacht Club. He said that hoist is the only way he can put his boat in the water. He asked if the final plan will include access to that hoist. Mayor Barlow said that is another detail they are still wrestling with. He said the location of the hoist now could suit the rendering they are seeing if they built around it. He said the location of the hoist is one of those details that they are happy to discuss with the club as they move forward and the plans come together. He said he is happy to work with the club to try to accommodate a lot if not all of their requests as long as they are willing to work with him to accomplish all he wants to accomplish. He said then he thinks they can work out all the issues with that hoist. Tom Duran said the hoist is something they need to hook their boats up on the back of their vehicle and be able to drive very close to it to be able to use it. He said you can't do it by pushing it by hand. He said the current rendering shows green space there and if that is the case the hoist can't be used. Mayor Barlow said that is good to know. Mike Anderson said he is on the Waterfront Commission as well as a member of the Oswego Yacht Club. He said the pier has always been public and the Oswego Yacht Club leases about 600 square feet of that building. He said the bottom of the building is showers, laundry facilities and an office for the marina. He said there is a misconception that the entire building is the Yacht Club. He said on the drawing he doesn't see a marina. He said his question is where would the marina start and where would it end. He said from what he heard there is no money for the attenuator or the docks, he guesses. He asked where that stands. Mayor Barlow said a lot of the public think the pier is private because they have been made to feel like it is private when they were out there. He said they will save that debate for another day. He said if the docks remain on the eastside it will be similar to where they exist now. He said if they were on the westside they would have to be as close to the end of the pier as possible to allow traffic to flow smoothly coming in and out of the launch. He said they are hoping to keep approximately the same number of slips. He said if they stick to the eastside they can obviously accomplish that. He said if they were to move to the westside they would have to relocate some of the slips and add to the Wright side. He said they would like to keep the number of boaters that fit in International and Wright's Landing, if not increase that number. Mike Anderson said it sounds like the marina layout is still up in the air. Mayor Barlow said yes. Mr. Caraccioli said this is a transformative project. He said everyone needs to get used to the notion that the way that this property has been used over the last several years is going to change. He said it will reshape the way it looks and is utilized and the way the community will enjoy it for generations to come. He said he hopes the changes are wholeheartedly embraced by the Oswego Yacht Club and they work with the City to make this a world-class facility. He said he has been involved in activities with the Yacht Club for many years in particular the Hospice Regatta which is a world-class regatta. He said the City of Oswego has hosted the National Regatta for Hospice. He said this is a once in a lifetime opportunity that is such a transformative event in our history that we all ought to be extremely excited about the changes ahead and welcome them and not fear them. Deb Duran said she is

a member of the Oswego Yacht Club. She said the Oswego Yacht Club has hosted a multitude of regattas including two Hospice National Regattas. She said they volunteer to man these events. She said people come to their Yacht Club and always feel welcome. She said they always leave happier than when they came. She said people have never been led to believe that they didn't want more people out there. She said on their doors it says new members welcome. She said they have always wanted new members. She said they have always taken people from the public. She said they have always welcomed people to the pier especially people have felt welcome to use their restrooms when they are out there. She said they have never been rude to people or led them to believe that they didn't want them out there. Dan Mather said he has been a slip owner at Wright's Landing and International Marina for over 30 years. He said he wants to stay in Oswego. He said all of the slips at the International Marina are rented by members of the general public. He said they don't have to join the Oswego Yacht Club to rent a slip at the International Marina. He said it isn't a private marina but a city run marina with city bathhouses under our facility that they rent. He said anyone can come and anyone can be there. He said they welcome the general public. He said the way the plans are drawn there is no marina. He said he would have a hard time as a Planning Board member approving this concept when Wright's Landing looks like a marina but the International Marina does not look like a marina. He said he was told that FEMA money was granted to fix the attenuators. Mayor Barlow said there has never been any FEMA money granted to fix an attenuator. He said the FEMA money is for sheet piling around the perimeter of the International Pier which is actually split just about half and half between FEMA money and REDI money and they are coordinating both of those projects and funding dispersements to happen simultaneously. Dan Mather said he believes he has an email from Chief Griffin saying the wave attenuators were included in FEMA grant money. Mayor Barlow said it may be included in the request but that doesn't mean it was awarded. Dan Mather said that probably ought to be checked into. He said this is a worthwhile project and he thinks the Mayor has done a great job with a lot of it but he is just worried about the details of how it is going to be and how the future of Oswego boating is going to go. Jeffrey Hinderliter said as the rest of this project unfolds the City is going to be partnering with the Oswego Yacht Club in putting information out as it develops. He said they have seen multiple schematic designs showing docks on either side. He said because of comments they have taken the docks off of the drawing that is out there now. He said they have taken a step back from committing to where the docks are going at the moment as they make those decisions. Phil McBrearty said they are all on the right track to making this a wonderful waterfront. He said he believes they can work together and partner with the City and make this transformative. Amanda Baker said this is about the community working together. She said she was a board member of Friends of Oswego County Hospice for over ten years. She said due to Covid-19 they are not going to be able to have the regatta this year. She said these cancellations are affecting many non-profits. She said they need to work together so everyone wins. She said it isn't just the Yacht Club members that are concerned with this. She said it is the charter captains that are making their living off of this. She said to shut that whole place down for two years is going to affect them a lot so that is why a lot of them are concerned with the future and the drawings. She said she hopes the Planning Board takes that into consideration.

DECISION: Cory Moshier made a motion for site plan approval to allow for repairs from 2017 Flood Damage under FEMA guidelines and also various long-term improvements as part of the NYS REDI Funding. Motion seconded by Matthew Bacon, unanimous approval.

Brit Hallenbeck made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion seconded by James Scanlon, unanimous approval.

Approved: _____

Richard Freeman

Planning Board Chairperson

Jeff McGann

Planning Board Secretary