

Mr. Jim Bradley
Town of Fairfield
Penfield Building Committee
September 18, 2015

Mr. Bradley,

On September 3, 2014, Shawmut presented a list of cost saving measures to your Committee. One of them was to eliminate the stone armoring of the existing Timber Bulkhead. This line item was listed at \$50,000 and was the largest single item cost on the list. Mr. Graceffa and Mr. Bellitto spoke against eliminating this item.

At the September 16, 2014 meeting of the Flood and Erosion Control Board (F&ECB) a motion was passed to strongly recommend that your Committee not remove *any* of the Flood Mitigation Measures from the project scope. We would remind you that the wording of the \$225,000 CDBG-DR grant awarded to the Town of Fairfield states that, "The proposal represents a sound means of retrofitting a vial (sic.) section of shoreline infrastructure, namely, the timber bulkhead at Penfield Beach area, that will provide this section of Fairfield Beach Road Neighborhood with the coastal resiliency needed in order to mitigate the damaging effects of severe coastal storm events that are becoming all too frequent."

The opinion of the F&ECB is that the grant must be exclusively used to armor and improve the existing bulkhead and extend each end to the nearby high ground of the Rickard's Beach Dune and the stone wall at the playground to the west.

Please share this with your committee members.

Yours truly,



Richard Dmochowski
Vice Chairman, Flood & Erosion Control Board

Cc: Joe Michelangelo, Laura Pulie, Mike Tetreau, F&ECB members, Kyle Fournier