

Hazard Mitigation Commission
Town Hall
April 17, 2018
7:30 pm
Selectmen's Meeting Room,
Second Floor

Present Chair Hank Graver, Stephen Kops,
Town Environmental Planner Kevin Magee,
Town Health Director Dennis Johnson
Absent Arnold Skretta
Guests None

Call to Order/Determination of Quorum

At 7:32 pm, Chair Hank Graver called to order the regular meeting. All present were eligible to vote.

Minutes of March 20, 2018

Upon review,

Motion: Dennis Johnson moved to approve the March 20, 2018 minutes with amendment, page 1, change "contractor requirements..." to "...Building Code...", seconded by Stephen Kops.

Vote: Carried - Hank Graver, Dennis Johnson, Stephen Kops, Kevin Magee

New Business

- **Annual HazMC Elections**

Discussion reviewed vacancies noting a need to recruit a member to represent the North Guilford area.

Motion: Stephen Kops moved to nominate and elect Dennis Johnson as Secretary, seconded by Kevin Magee.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Motion: Kevin Magee moved to nominate and elect Stephen Kops for Chair, seconded by Dennis Johnson.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Approval of Bills and Vouchers

Recording Secretary Invoice

Motion: Dennis Johnson moved to approve the Recording Secretary March invoice for for \$85.00, seconded by Stephen Kops.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Other There were no additional bills.

At this point, Kevin Magee reported on the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) draft "Prevention Mitigation Actions Plan" for the region : Kevin had submitted Guilford's HazMC 20 strategies requested by SCRCOG from each town which have been reviewed in detail by HazMC. SCRCOG has used the Guilford Hazard Mitigation Plan as a template for the regional plan.

On April 23, 2018 a SCRCOG draft plan, approximately 100 pages, will be submitted to municipalities. Kevin will email the plan to HazMC members to review sections of the Guilford projects. These draft sections will be reviewed at the next HazMC meeting.

Primary Concerns : Strategies for 2017-2018

Kevin Magee requested that HazMC develop a sustainable Public Education Program soon and work with Assistant Town Engineer Mark Damiani on this project.

Kevin reported that Mark Damiani has no objections to the recommended proposed Town Ordinance, by the Planning Subcommittee of the Planning and Zoning Commission "Proposed Update to the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance 174-18". PZC wants to add coastal "A" zones to introduce new language. R322.2 addresses flood hazards. (Reader see HazMC, March 20, 2018 minutes). Mark is creating revisions to expand time limits for contractors and homeowners. Kevin will provide HazMC with copies of this ordinance and Mark will meet with HazMC to review the documents.

The State of CT requires contractors to build one foot above the FEMA requirement. PZC added one foot freeboard to Guilford's "A" Zones and will add to maps to be consistent with the State of CT regulations. The State will require the one foot freeboard as of July 2018. This addresses the Town Plan of Conservation and Development in regards to sea level rise and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requirements to elevate homes and structures.

Adjournment

Motion: At 7:51 pm Kevin Magee moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dennis Johnson.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

*Judith Anderson Castellano
Recording Secretary*