

Hazard Mitigation Commission  
Town Hall  
April 18, 2017  
4:00 pm  
Selectmen's Meeting Room,  
Second Floor

**Present** Chair Hank Graver, Allyn Brown, Stephen Kops,  
Town Health Director Dennis Johnson

**Absent** Town Environmental Planner Kevin Magee

**Guests** None

**Call to Order/Determination of Quorum**

At 7:40 pm, Chair Hank Graver called to order the regular meeting. All present were eligible to vote.

**Public Forum**

There were no citizens present.

**Approval of March Minutes**

*Motion: Upon review, Stephen Kops moved to approve the March 21, 2017 minutes as presented, seconded by Dennis Johnson.*

*Vote: Carried - Hank Graver, Stephen Kops, Kevin Magee  
Abstention: Dennis Johnson (Absent in February)*

**Approval of Bills and Vouchers**

**Recording Secretary Invoice**

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

*Vote: Carried - Unanimously*

**Other** There was no further business.

**Old Business**

**New HazMC Members needed, including North Guilford**

Members are encouraged to submit names as potential new members. Currently, HazMC does not have members to represent North Guilford.

## **Regional Projects for Guilford ?**

### **Regional Grant Program for 2017-2018**

Discussion reviewed an email from Kevin Magee which included documents from the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) on the process of hiring a consultant to put together a Regional Hazardous Mitigation Plan. Senior Regional Planner, Eugene Livshits' letter to Regional Hazard Mitigation Representatives advised that SCRCOG has completed the RFP and seeks consultant services to update the Multi-Jurisdiction Plan. The responses to the RFP are due by April 12, 2017, and interviews will be scheduled on April 19, 2017. SCRCOG would like to have municipal staff involved during the interviews.

It was decided that Chair Graver will contact Kevin Magee regarding whether Kevin will be participating in the consultant interviews.

## **New Business**

- **Handouts /Explain - Chair Hank Graver**

Chair Graver submitted several additional background documents on HazMC concerns for commissioners to review.

Completed HazMC projects include, yet not limited to, culvert work, road reconstruction and elevating sections of Little Harbor, Indian Cove, Tuttle's Point, Chaffinch Island Road and currently on Long Hill Road near Route One and Martin Bishop Field. These projects were some included on a list originally recommended to the Board of Selectman several years ago by the former Hazard Pre-Mitigation Committee.

Chair Graver reviewed details of these projects to protect wetlands to absorb the increased regular flooding in these areas.

- **Primary Concerns - Strategies for 2017**

Discussion reviewed the 2017 primary strategies and concerns, including :

- Community Rating System (CRS) application approval. Asst. Town Engineer Mark Damiani is responsible to coordinate and monitor when approved.
- Dennis Johnson and Allyn Brown review the current locations of Evacuation signs and add new locations.
- Stephen Kops will visit the community center and high school to observe the preparedness as storm shelters and contact officials.
- Kevin Magee and Hank Graver will work with Mark Damiani on the CRS status.

- **Review All Strategies List**

Discussion was held regarding the concept designs for the CT Dept. of Transportation, Route 146 Bridge Project, and the adjacent Amtrak railroad track reconstruction.

**Adjournment**

*Motion: At 8:21 Allyn Brown moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Stephen Kops.  
Vote: Carried - Unanimously*

**The May meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 20, 2017.**

*Respectfully submitted,*

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*Judith Anderson Castellano  
Recording Secretary*