

**Hazard Mitigation Commission
Guilford Town Hall
July 16, 2019
3:00 pm
Selectmen's Meeting Room,
Second Floor**

Present Chair Steve Kops, Town Health Director Dennis Johnson, Kit Wilcox
Absent Hersh Hernandez, Hank Graver, Kevin Magee / Town Environmental Planner
Guests None

1. Confirmation of a Quorum

At 3:00 pm, Chair Steve Kops called to order the regular meeting for discussion only. A quorum was not present. There were no motions or votes.

2. Public Forum (limited to 5 minutes) There were no comments.

3. Minutes of June 18, 2019 Minutes were not reviewed.

4. Environmental Planner's Report (Kevin Magee)

Environ. Planner Kevin Magee was unable to attend.

5. Health Director's Report (Dennis Johnson)

Health Dir. Dennis Johnson advised that there was no significant information to report.

6. Chair's Report (Steve Kops) There was no report.

7. Planning for the 9-17-19 Public Outreach Meeting

As in the June meeting, discussion reviewed planning for the September 17, 2019 HazMC Community Outreach Meeting at 7:30 pm at the Community Center. Highlights included :

- Reviewed a draft Meeting Outline and Agenda submitted by Chair Steve Kops detailing topics.
- Alert residents/businesses to HazMC responsibilities and role, ongoing and completed projects, flood insurance information, the Community Rating System its' points and rating process.
- Ask for public input on hazard mitigation priorities in their neighborhoods.
- Publicize the Outreach Meeting on GCTV, newspapers, HazMC and Town websites. Use a Logo and phrase such as "Are You Ready" and "Flood insurance discounts ?".
- Provide a panel of department experts and FEMA representatives including the Town Engineer, Natural Resource Dept. (Environmental Planner/Tree Warden), Public Works, Police Dept., Fire and Emergency Services, Health Dept., Community Shelters, and others.
- Insurance agents can be advised on how FEMA brokers flood insurance and the discount process.
- Review the Emergency Preparedness Brochure which is annually mailed to all residents.
- History and purpose of preparedness for residents and businesses to help each other and Emergency Services to save lives.

- Alert people to flood zone locations and how the preparedness plans are implemented by the Town Emergency Operations Center.
- Advise on Police and Emergency Services for immobilized citizens and special needs individuals.
- Review installing solar panels and generators for power outages and private or public water purification systems.
- Evacuation routes, what to expect and bring to a Shelter, securing property and homes.
- Information on the Medical Reserve Corp. volunteers who are active nurses, doctors, nurse practitioners, regular drills done by the Town emergency services.

Chair Kops will work on posters/flyers.

8. New Business There was no further business.

9. Old Business There was no further business.

10. Approval of Bills

Chair Kops signed the Recording Secretary's June invoice.

11. Adjourn

The meeting closed at 3:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Judith Anderson Castellano
Recording Secretary*