



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Floodplain Advisory Committee

Thursday, August 5, 2021

4:30 PM

Virtual Meeting via Lifesize

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Andrea Richmond at 4:30 pm.

Roll Call

Guests: Sarah Rafajko, Dave Reinhart, Craig Snyder, Bernie Lenz, Brad Woznak

Present: 6 - Richard Becker, Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, Bill Bosshard, Mac Kiel

Excused: 1 - Richie Schultz

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Kiel, seconded by Janssen, that this be ADOPT ACTIONS BY SINGLE VOTE . The motion carried by voice vote.

Agenda Items:

[20-0327](#)

Ebner Coulee Floodplain Study Update on Submittal Preparation - Brad Woznak, SEH

Brad gave an update on the Ebner Coulee project. There is a hangup with La Crosse County to issue the Public Notice of the map change. SEH found that the draft map had an error with Ebner Coulee Pond 7. SEH, disputed it and FEMA corrected it in a new draft map. We are approximately 7 months out from the new maps becoming effective.

[21-1131](#)

Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan - SEH, JEO - Progress Update

The meeting for public input in our Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan is scheduled for September 8th from 4pm-6pm at Black River Beach. We will be looking into having a public and virtual option for the meeting due to concerns over the Delta Variant.

[21-1132](#)

FEMA Response Letter Update

Sarah gave a rundown of all 52 properties on FEMA's violation list breaking them down by remediation: Documentation, Deed Restrictions, Vents/Flood Resistant Materials, Elevate/Abandon Basement. We discussed Orders to Correct and citations as a means of pushing remediation forward. All of the owners had received letters before on these properties, but many ignored them and were unreachable.

We discussed the letters to ensure they include clear instructions for the homeowner on remediation and funding if they are grant eligible. We discussed two points of contact prior to issuance of citations. Section 1316 was explained. While touching on Section 1316, flood insurance in general came up and we segued into an explanation of Risk Rating 2.0 and the potential savings to our residents that will coincide with the loss of discounts due to CRS retrograde.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Becker, seconded by Janssen, to adjourn at 5:08 PM .
The motion carried by voice vote.

PARTICIPATION LINK for Council Members and Department Heads and others needing to participate:

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