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Meeting	Township of Brick Floodplain Management Plan (FMP) Planning Committee Review Possible Activities Meeting		
Date	August 5, 2021	Time	4:05 – 5:00 p.m.
Location	Teleconference		
	Elissa Commins, PE, PP, CME, Township Engineer/Floodplain Manager/ CRS Co-Coordinator		
	Steve Kakovsky, Public Works		
	Ron Gaskill, Brick Township OEM		
	Paul Mummolo, Councilman		
	Vanessa Tropiano, JCNERR		
	Ron Jampel, Public member of Committee		
	Emil Ranaudo, Public member of Committee		
	Brian Jones, Public member of Committee		
	Brian Scott, Public member of Committee		
	Christina Weaver, Public member of Committee		
	Vincent Palmieri, Planning Assistant		
	Chris Huch, Tetra Tech		
	Kyle Livingstone, McGovern Legal Services representing Greenbriar Association		

Discussion Points

This section summarizes each discussion point addressed during the Planning Committee Meeting.

Mr. Livingstone, representing the Greenbriar Association which has been impacted by flooding in the past, attended the meeting as a non-committee member of the public.

Public Input to Date

The Township of Brick Floodplain Management Plan Citizen Survey has 50 respondents. Mr. Huch reviewed some of the preliminary response findings.

- 26% of respondents did not feel their household is prepared to function without electricity or natural gas. 58% felt somewhat prepared.
- Respondents noted that they receive information concerning a flood event primarily from social media (60%), TV News (56%), and Nixle (48%).
- Only 11% of respondents have made an emergency plan. 20% had made a disaster supply kit.
- 36% of respondents had experienced flooding in their home in the past.



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- 17% of respondents noted having trouble getting renters/homeowners insurance due to risk from flooding
- 59% of respondents noted that the presence of a flood zone or other natural hazards was not disclosed to them by a real estate agent, seller, or landlord before they purchased/moved into their home. 59% noted that the disclosure of that sort of information would have influenced their decision to purchase/move into their home.
- Respondents noted the following projects that should be done to reduce damage and disruption from disasters in the Township:
 - 89%: Retrofit infrastructure, such as elevating roadways and improving drainage systems
 - 54%: Install or improve protective structures, such as floodwalls, levees and bulkheads
 - 49%: Inform property owners of ways they can mitigate damage to their properties
 - 49%: Assist vulnerable property owners with securing funding to mitigate their properties
 - 43%: Buy out flood prone properties and maintain as open space
- 66% of respondents did not feel the Township is doing enough towards flood prevention and mitigation.
- Suggested actions that are not in the current FMP list of actions include:
 - Tighten impermeable surface coverage
 - Increase outreach to barrier island community about what options and programs exist for mitigation
 - Raise bulkhead elevations
 - Dredging
 - Pet friendly evacuation shelters

Project Updates

Mr. Huch stated that the purpose of this meeting is to review the planning process thus far and discuss the types of activities that can be included in the FMP.

Mr. Huch briefly reviewed the problems and problem areas identified throughout the planning process.

Problem areas identified by the Committee include:

- Areas in the SFHA
- The barrier island community
- Inland locations impacted by extreme precipitation events

Problem areas identified by the public through the citizen survey include:

- The barrier island



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- Barrier Island local streets if flash floods over power sewer drainage (Example: half way up Squan Beach Drive storm sewer could not keep up with recent flash flood storm. Some street flooding occurred despite relatively short downpour duration.)
- Low lying areas near the bay, rivers, inlets and beaches
- Lagoon properties
- Parts of Lake Riviera
- Mantaloking Shores area
- Normandy Beach
- Shore Acres
- Mantoloking Road
- 6th Avenue
- 7th Avenue
- Carol Fox Road
- Harbor Road
- Jordon Road
- Mandalay Road
- Bay Harbor Boulevard
- Route 35 and Mantaloking Bridge area
- Broad Avenue
- Arrow Court
- Normandy Drive
- Broad Avenue
- Vanard Drive
- Mathis Drive
- Shore Drive
- Bayview Drive
- Sally Ike, between Herbertsville Road & Lexington Drive
- Alaska Avenue off Sally Ike. Street and property floods with rain
- Drum Point Road
- Old Hooper Avenue
- Princeton Avenue
- Midstreams and Jordan Road.

Draft Goals and Objectives

Mr. Huch asked for final feedback on the draft goals and objectives developed during the the set based on discussions at the July 22, 2021 Planning Committee Meeting.



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Possible Activities

Current actions in the Floodplain Management Plan are being reviewed for status updates by various Township departments.

Mr. Huch presented a mitigation catalog to use to review the possible activities for consideration to address each objective in the FMP. The mitigation catalog was broken down according to the scale (personal, corporate, and government).

Committee members reviewed the mitigation catalog and will use the catalog to develop the action plan.

The Committee discussed that the ability of the Township to fund and implement the activities and noted that funding support will help determine the final actions in the action plan. Each action in the action plan will identify funding sources and note if the Township has the capability to fund the action without external funding support.

Next Steps

- Committee members will consider the draft goals and objectives for approval at the next meeting of the Planning Committee.
- Tetra Tech will develop actions for inclusion in the FMP based on review of current actions and the input of the Planning Committee
- The next Planning Committee Meeting to discuss the draft action plan will be conducted on August 19, 2021.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.