

VoM FMAC – Agenda – 11/28/2023

1. **Welcome to the Nov, 2023 FMAC Meeting**
2. **Meetings Info**
 - a. 4th Tuesday of the month, generally, 7 PM, Courthouse with Zoom for the Public
 - i. Members who cannot attend in person may Zoom in but cannot vote unless they follow location protocol
3. **Minutes for Approval - Oct 2023**
4. **Guest - Mayor Elect Sharon Torres**
 - a. Introductions
 - b. FMAC Questions for Mayor Elect – approx. 10 questions
 - c. Q&A from the Audience – **overall time limit 45 minutes**
 - i. Guidelines for the Q&A
 1. Form a queue leading to the Podium
 2. At the podium
 3. Name and address
 4. Please be Civil, no cursing, no shouting
 5. Time limit - 5 minutes by stopwatch; Chair to control
5. **Updates**
 - a. County Funding
 - b. Studies
 - c. USACE Project & Meeting
6. **Other**

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- 1. Present – Gelber, Spatz, Finch, Glener, Rubin, Camarda, Triffiletti, Trustee Yizar-Reid - excused; Trustee Rawlings attended**
 - a. Guests - Residents – Washingtonville Neighborhood Assoc, Beaver Brook Area and others & Legislator Parker**
- 2. FMAC Minutes for June 2023 and August 2023 Approved**
- 3. Guests very upset about a lack of progress or enough progress on flood mitigation – summary**
 - a. #1 problem in Mamaroneck is flooding and needs to be focused on
 - b. FMAC has been working diligently 'in our lane' asking for studies and actions via our Resolutions
 - c. When will these 'Asks' be started, completed
 - d. Why are all these 'Asks' not being discussed at BoT work sessions or meetings
- 4. Trustee Rawlings recommends FMAC send an email summary to him – sent**
- 5. Guests:**
 - a. consensus on:
 - i. Need face to face monthly meeting with Mayor & BoT focused on flood Mitigation only
 - ii. A single person should be hired as a 'Flood Coordinator', on staff to focus on flood mitigation
 1. Legislator Parker –'there are County funds that can be applied for, cannot fund a VoM salary, but can fund other studies'
 - b. Discussion on a Moratorium to temporarily stop construction – pros and cons discussed
 - c. Beaver Swam Watershed need to be studied for Flood Mitigation – Gelber will look into whether SLR will study – yes, SLR has been retained by DEC to study Beaver Brook Watershed
 - d. Discussion on
 - i. SW Codes – updates and strengthening needed in the entire Watershed
 - ii. Green infrastructure and blue roofs should be included
- 6. Other**
 - a. Legislator Parker believes the LISWIC, Long Island Sound Watershed Intermunicipal Council should be used to get Municipalities to work together and apply for County funding.

1. **Present – Gelber, Spatz, Finch, Glener, Rubin, Camarda, Triffiletti, Trustee Yizar-Reid**
 - a. **Guests - Residents and County Legislator Parker**
2. **Kate Dehais of the VoM CFTE discussed Highway Runoff from I 95**
 - a. Large volumes of water due to the thousands of SF of impervious surfaces
 - b. Construction of I 95 blocks the natural flows from the upper spaces to the floodplains and then into the Rivers
 - c. Gedney Pond is a detention/retention storage pond and had operable valves at one point
 - d. FMAC
 - e. supports the ongoing effort to get the NY Thruway Authority to:
 - i. Control the Highway runoff as NYTA has done in other areas including Port Chester
 - ii. Removing the dirt pile in Mamaroneck
 - iii. Installing silt fences around the dirt pile asap
 - f. FMAC supports the VoM
 - i. in conducting meetings with NYTA, sending letters as follow ups
 - ii. in obtaining funding for an SLR 2 to study the amounts of SW runoff from I95 and the Hutch and outline options for mitigation of the stormwaters
3. **Funding Updates**
 - a. **Legislator Parker** informed All that the VoM had submitted a \$150,000 request for funding for the studies requested by FMAC. New County budget should be out in Nov 2023
 - i. Funding cannot be used for VoM salaried employees
4. **Beaver Brook Area Residents**
 - a. Concerned about
 - i. development in Harrison and White Plains, upstream, which most likely will increase flooding in Mamaroneck
 - ii. VoM has asked to be an informed community, is there any progress on this?
 - iii. Watershed study of the Beaver Brook
 1. Gelber informed All that SLR Engineers are slated to study Beaver Brook Watershed for Flood Mitigation
 2. Legislator Parker informed All that Supervisor Gary Zuckerman had reached out and is concerned with add'l stormwater flows due to development
 - iv. Is there a 'River Maintenance Program? Large trees and vegetation are on the Beaver Brook edge, and river walls are falling down. Residents yards get flooded and erosion occurs
5. **Guests again expressed desire for:**
 - a. Face to face monthly meetings with Mayor & BoT focused on flood mitigation only
 - b. Hiring a fulltime 'Flood Coordinator''
6. **USACE Updates**
 - a. Meeting held on Oct 20, 2023 between VoM, ACE, County, Yizar-Reid & Gelber among others
 - b. Gelber attended via phone, and had to leave early. Gelber heard good news & bad news:
 - i. ACE do not think shovel in the ground until 2025
 - ii. ACE will allow VoM to start parts of the project and reimburse funding as long as:
 1. Signed Agreement is reached between VoM, ACE, NYS, County
 2. VoM follows ACE design recommendations
 - iii. Areas that might start:
 1. Walk Bridges
 2. Open channel vs. Tunnel at Columbus Park – VoM to hire engineer to perform a Hydrology & Hydraulic study – if open channel flow = Tunnel flow – ok to go with open channel
 - iv. ACE will be updating the Project Cost estimate asap as construction prices have increased.
7. **Meeting adjourned.**