

- 1. Present** – Gelber, Spatz, , Glener, Camarda, Triffiletti, Trustee Yizar-Reid; excused Elsa Rubin
 - a. Guests – Residents, Mayor-Elect Torres and County Legislator Parker
 - b. **Thank you** - Dave Finch for your service on the FMAC and to the VoM and flood victims.
- 2. Minutes for Approval - Oct 2023 - Approved**
- 3. Discussion with Mayor Elect Sharon Torres**
 - a. Mayor-Elect Torres**
 - i. Hello FMAC and Residents
 - ii. Speaking as Mayor-Elect not on behalf of the VoM BoT and ‘I am not a Miracle Worker’ but I am:
 1. Committed to working with the Community to find a ‘Path Forward’ via:
 - a. Focusing on flooding
 - b. Good communication
 - c. Transparency in what we do
 - d. Pulling together
 - e. Getting items needed on the BoT Agenda
 - f. Reviewing Village staffing for flood mitigation
 - g. Developing and implementing a Priority List and Plan
 - h. Getting projects started and completed
 - b. FMAC comments:**
 - i. Looking forward to new leadership
 - ii. FMAC needs FMAC Resolutions and ideas placed on the BoT Agenda and acted upon by the BoT
 - iii. Need updated info on the status of all the mitigation initiatives for the monthly FMAC meeting & VoM staff at the FMAC meetings
 - iv. Would like info on ideas about VoM flood mitigation staffing for the future
 - v. Will update the current FMAC Projects list to be more informative and helpful as a tool for getting projects prioritized with next steps
- 4. Discussion with Legislator Catherine Parker**
 - a. Legislator Catherine Parker**
 - i. Has been and is committed to helping VoM with flood mitigation, (County Exec George Latimer also)
 - ii. Has asked the County to:
 1. Set aside add’l funding for the USACE project, (costs have risen)
 2. Allow existing County funding for the ACE Project to be used for ‘VoM’ implemented USACE projects as long as:
 - a. An Agreement is reached between ACE, NYS, County & VOM which states that the work:
 - i. Will not jeopardize the ACE project in any way
 - ii. Funding spent by the County & or VoM will be reimbursed with Federal funds in the future
 3. Based on ‘VoM and FMAC asks’ has requested County funding:
 - a. \$150,000 for Flood Mitigation Studies
 - b. \$150,000 for Ward Ave & Center Ave Bridges & Jefferson Park Lot Schematic Design for Open Channel flow
 4. Work with VoM & State DEC & SHPO to move forward on the Anita Lane Bridge Center abutment
 - a. Anita Lane Br is historic and special permits req’d
- 5. Residents discussed:**
 - a. Comprehensive data survey from residents for good flood data needed
 - b. Solutions to flooding and parking – needed in VoM and particularly by Washingtonville residents
 - c. Stream data that is accurate and not the ‘camera solution’ currently in place
 - d. Purchasing land for flood mitigation as outlined in the SLR report
 - e. Status of FMAC studies requested – Mam Dam & Reservoir, County Wide detention/retention, Study of the Aquifer, pollution in the aquifer and the effect of groundwater and aquifer & pollution, I 95 runoff study, etc.
 - f. Beaver Swamp Brook Area
 - i. No representation on FMAC; SLR study needed asap
 - ii. River water testing by Save the Sound shows poor River water quality
 - g. Permitting Process ACE and DEC – follow the guidelines published
 - h. Valves in local Dams - why are the valves in the Mam Dam not working and, work more effectively with the ToM on using the valves in a timely manner
 - i. Ownership of and work on the Mam Dam.