Sea Level Rise & Storm Surge in Watch Hill Planning for a Resilient Future



December 7, 2019 Watch Hill Fire House 222 Watch Hill Road 9:00 – 11:00 AM Agenda

Welcome

Deborah Lamm, WHC & Randy Abood, Watch Hill Fire District

Round of Introductions Among Participants

Recap of 2019 SLR/Surge Program

- Workshops, resolution, networking with community Deborah
- Lanphear LIVE, 2019, Walk-in Clinics Jocelyn Lahey & Janice Sassi
- Understanding flood conditions at Yacht Club, Napatree entrance and Beach Club Pete August, Bryan Oakley, Grant Simmons
- Yacht Club entrance engineering Grant Simmons

Goals for 2020 SLR/Surge Program

Deborah

- Establish a planning goal and geographic area of concern
- Review what other low coastal communities are doing
- Review what are options are
- Prioritize options
- Develop implementation plan

Lap around the table

Deborah

- What do different groups hope to achieve?
- Where would you like to end up?

Review program for the year

Pete

- Meeting times and places?
- Case Study presentations: Jon Reiner (Groton), Melissa Cote (Rhode Island)
- Public presentation in Westerly (Library)
- StormTools training (Ed Center)
- Walk-in clinic (Ed Center)
- Student projects in Watch Hill: ECSU, URI

Planning goal(s)

Pete

- Review SLR inundation scenarios and timeline
 - o SLR 2 feet, 3 feet, 5 feet, 9 Feet
 - Storms 10 year, 25 year, 50 year, and 100 year return frequency
 - Identify a planning goal, e.g., 3 feet SLR and 10-year storm and plan for that.

INTERNAL QUESTIONS/ISSUES

- Should we take meeting minutes? If you think this is a good idea, Jocelyn, can you be the official scribe? Absentee members of the group might appreciate getting them. I do not think we want to make them public on a web site, at least for now. We can put them in a password protected DropBox folder, such as https://www.dropbox.com/sh/72uwahhzq640mpk/AAC22dzZCSjD8YPL_w41d9ha?dl=0 And let participants know the PW
 JL: Yes, I think we should take some sort of notes/minutes because there have been invitees who cannot attend that have contacted me saying that they would like to be kept updated and that they plan on attending future meetings.
- Who says what is totally open. I think Deborah has to clearly be seen as the leader. I can be Emcee to keep a flow going and allow the rest of our team to focus on participating. Please chime on if you have ideas on who says what. Page 1 here is a public agenda. This page is internal

TO DO

JOCELYN

- Contact Alicia about room specifics- DONE. Will forward response.
- Order coffee w/ fixings and 6 pastries cut in half. DONE.
- Pick up clementines
- Water and Seltzer
- Plates and Napkins
- Pens and Pencils
- Notepads
- Print and post sign for Livery front and back door
- Print any materials needed

PETE

- Test hardwire internet
- Projector/Laptop
- HDMI cord
- Power strip
- Polycom w/ instructions for hardwire connection