

MINUTES
HAZARD MITIGATION COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 12TH 2014 AT 6:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL - 2 CASTLE VALLEY DR.

Members Present: Jazmine Duncan, Bob Russell, Leta Vaughn, Ron & Pat Drake, Bill Rau, Greg Halliday.

Recorder: Alison Fuller

CALL TO ORDER

Jazmine Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1. Public Comment

2. Approval of the Minutes – October 8th, 2014.

Bill Rau moved to approve the minutes as presented, Greg Halliday seconded, the Motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of meeting schedule 2015.

Leta Vaughn moved to adopt the presented meeting schedule, Rau seconded, the Motion passed unanimously.

4. Continue Step 3, develop mitigation plan.

A. Identify mitigation actions for earthquake, drought, & water contamination & rate on worksheets.

There was discussion around other hazards that have been addressed that have the same effects and mitigations.

The group discussed public awareness and responsibilities of lot owners to prepare their own properties.

Halliday discussed the shallow salt anticlines that pose less of a threat locally in Castle Valley.

Pat Drake discussed residents who are home bound and checking in on them in emergencies.

Halliday brought up sink holes as possible problems an earthquake could cause.

The group discussed & rated earthquake public awareness and community accountability as mitigation efforts.

There was discussion around springs and wells that have or could run dry.

Duncan stated that the town monitoring wells in the valley had not shown any significant change in the 8 years they have been monitored.

There was discussion around how long it takes water to make it down to the aquifer and where the water originates.

The group discussed residents who water for fire breaks and how the Town would be able to limit water use when wells start running dry.

The group discussed and rated with their worksheets: limiting water use, public awareness, and a secondary water source, i.e. Colorado River, mountain springs.

The group discussed and rated with their worksheets working with the Forest service and BLM to protect the watershed as a mitigation effort for drought and water contamination.

The group discussed water contaminates storage and if residents are doing a good job of protecting the aquifer by storing hazardous materials properly.

The group discussed and rated with their worksheets the Conditional Use Policy regarding hazardous material storage. The group discussed and rated with their worksheets public education and regulations for water contamination mitigation. Ron Drake stated that septic systems, spills, and dead animals are possible water contaminants. There was discussion around dead animals being more efficiently broken down by wildlife rather than burying them. Rau stated that mining is a very serious concern for water contamination. Halliday brought up pesticides as a long term problem for water contamination. There was discussion around animal pens being too close to well sites, and the set-backs for wells & septic tanks. There was discussion about severity of water contamination and the different levels of contamination.

B. Prepare mitigation strategy time frames?

Bring hazard summary and histories.

Duncan shared her hazard summary and history and the format she used to present them. The group reviewed an example of a hazard mitigation plan and what their plan's table of contents should include. Duncan reviewed the Profile for Castle Valley within the plan and suggested that the group use the Town's General Plan as a template for the Profile.

C. Document the planning process – discussion on putting our plan on paper.

The group discussed how they would arrange their hazards in the mitigation plan and what needs to be included in each. They discussed photos that are available for the plan and getting their hazard sections to Duncan to start to form a rough draft. Rau suggested working with the PLUC & other town committees to put some of the mitigation regulations in place. Duncan stated that once the group has a rough draft they will hold a public hearing to receive input on the plan at which point they will clean up the draft and get the formatting finalized.

Vaughn moved to adjourn, Halliday seconded, the Motion passed unanimously.

Duncan adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

ADJOURN

APPROVED:

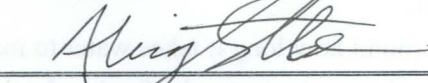


Jazmine Duncan, Chair

12/10/14

Date:

ATTESTED:



Alison Fuller, Town Clerk

12.10.14

Date: