



MINUTES

HAZARD MITIGATION COMMITTEE

JANUARY 14th 2015 AT 6:00 P.M.

TOWN HALL - 2 CASTLE VALLEY DR.

Members Present: Jazmine Duncan, Leta Vaughn, Ron & Pat Drake, Bill Rau, Greg Halliday, David Smith

Recorder: Alison Fuller

CALL TO ORDER

1. Public Comment

The group discussed several rock falls that had happened in the last few weeks in the valley and on Hwy 128, where the road had actually closed for clearing debris.

Some residents reported they heard cracking above the valley and more rock fall is expected.

2. Approval of the Minutes – December 10th, 2014.

Halliday made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Pat Drake seconded, the Motion passed unanimously.

3. Continue Step 3; Develop mitigation plan.

A. Prepare mitigation strategy time frames.

Bring hazard summary and histories.

Duncan reviewed how the fire history was coming along.

Drake reported that he had compiled his notes and was working on that section of the plan.

The group discussed the formatting issues and how to compile the plan in a clean document.

Fuller volunteered to work on the formatting.

Rau stated that he would be willing to work on it as well if Fuller ran into issues.

Duncan stated she would talk to Water Agent John Groo about working on the Water Contamination section of the plan & she was working on the Earthquake section.

B. Document the planning process - putting our plan on paper.

C. Review plan requirements

Duncan reviewed the State approved planning process and stated that the group had successfully accomplished many of the steps. Public hearings will be held to get community input on The Plan and she wanted to give the community plenty of time to review the plan before the hearings are held.

The group discussed the best way to inform the community of the input the group wanted to get on The Plan.

Duncan stated that the group still needed to go through each mitigation effort and prioritize them as a whole.

Halliday stated that each project needs to break down the cost and benefit for each project but maintaining the projects also needs to be considered. He stated that the FEMA document has cost break downs for backhoe work, dump truck work, grader work etc.

Ron Drake stated that the State has costs for fighting fires they could use to calculate numbers for the fire portion of the plan.

Duncan inquired about finding cost break downs for public awareness mitigation efforts.

Halliday stated that for flooding there are several different projects and they could be broken down separately.

Pat Drake inquired about putting some type of screen in front of culverts to help keep the culverts clean.

Halliday stated that culverts keep themselves clean by not slowing down the velocity of the water in anyway, and the screen themselves could get blocked and cause the water to go over the road.

Duncan stated that for the plan it may be good to look at cleaning the culverts as a whole, and looking at areas that haven't had work and could use it, would be priority. Step 4; Plan Development. This step had a lot of work done, but the group may still need to identify specific resources and intelligence that would support mitigation efforts.

Things such as the Fire District, CV Road Department, The Town's Drainage Review Maps, Water Studies, CIB, Rural Development, Universities, NRCS, etc. were all listed as possible resources and intelligence they could list for The Plan.

Pat Drake stated that having the information and knowledge before an emergency so people know what to do is also important.

Duncan stated that she would like to see an Emergency Operational Plan be put in place so there are solid steps to take when there are emergencies and people know their job and how things should go. She reviewed the rest of the steps required, Plan Preparation and Plan Implementation.

Rau stated that it's necessary for the Communication portion to talk to Rocky Mtn. Power about what the cost analysis is that they put out to prevent hazards in CV.

David Smith asked if there was a way to ask the power company or other public services to mitigate possible hazards now to save them more money later.

Halliday asked if the Town would be required to outline their plan similarly to the County.

Duncan stated that it would be a way to break it down but CV would not be required to do it the same way.

Drake inquired about the issue of the phone lines being down and if the Town had found out the proper way to complain to the FCC.

Duncan stated that the proper route is not to complain to the FCC but to the Utah Public Utilities Commission.

The group discussed how they would deal with outages and who to complain to for improved service.

Ron Drake stated that last time the phones went down the service man had to fight a blizzard to get to CV and didn't arrive until 5:30a.m.

Duncan stated that it would be good for Frontier to have back-up systems in place to prevent issues in the first place.

The group discussed Frontiers lack of interest in helping CV with these issues and discussed other ideas for faster response time.

Duncan stated that CV had made up for Frontiers' poor service by creating the emergency post at the Town Lot when phones & power are out.

The group discussed how to let the surrounding area outside of the Town know about the emergency post that is set up when the power or phones are down, such as doing a mailing or collaborating with utility mailings to bring awareness to the area.

The group discussed how to make the community aware of the transition the Town is going through to bring services up to speed and 30 years ago people didn't even have phones in CV and public awareness of how CV really operates would be very beneficial.

The group discussed an emergency employee that resides in CV that could remedy the utility problems and avoid long phone & power outages.

Duncan stated that the plan will need to also keep in mind people that come to CV that are in illegal rentals or are just here for the weekend at a friends', and have no idea how CV operates. Awareness needs to be made to everyone that the services in CV are not the same as the rest of the world. She stated that it would be good to set some goals for the next meeting. She wanted; a list of resources and intelligence, to pick a map to use for the plan, to get a priority list for projects for each hazard.

Vaughn made a motion to adjourn, Smith seconded, the Motion passed unanimously.

Duncan adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED:

Jazmine Duncan 2/11/2015
Jazmine Duncan, Chair Date:

ATTESTED:

Alison Fuller 2.11.15
Alison Fuller, Town Clerk Date: