## Branford Coastal Vulnerability ad hoc Working Group

Town of Branford, Connecticut

Paul Muniz, Tracy Everson, Jonathan Waters, Peter Hentschel (chairperson) invited: Curt Johnson, Sharon Huttner

Zoom Meeting Agenda: Tuesday, November 28, 2023, 5:00 PM

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- · Call to Order and Roll Call
- Approval of Meeting Notes for 10/24/23
- Discuss status and next steps on the following initiatives:
  - Research on Regs and Ordinance tools PZC / CVWG joint working group.
    Goal: to determine actions to build resilience through ordinances and/or zoning regulations.
    - (UCONN Law / CIRCA) Louanne Cooley's legal "tool kit" for municipalities on CIRCA website – update on topics published.
    - CCM request to research recent ordinances and zoning regulations.
  - b. SCRCOG Updated Hazard Mitigation Plan

Goal: to determine which Branford projects SCRCOG has recently prioritized

- Review of Special Meeting held on Thursday 10/26 with John Hoefferle
- · Schedule a mention of this Update at a future RTM meeting
- c. DEEP's role in resilience action

Goal: to determine roles DEEP plays in control over resilience activities - protecting low roadways, nuisance flooding retention walls, etc.

- Call to DEEP regarding flood walls and zoning issues
- · Pre-call discussion with John Lust
- · Pre-call discussion with Robert Mendelsohn
- Review PPT materials prepped for the DEEP discussion.
- d. FEMA to add a FEMA info section to the website.

Goal: to add an informational section to the CVWG web page explaining flood insurance and mapping.

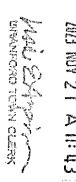
- Update on scheduled call with Michael Amatrudo
- Info sent to the group with info on the FEMA Community Rating system that Sharon found including a list and manual.
- e. Approaches to resilience by other towns and states

Goal: to determine if other towns have taken innovative steps to resilience.

- · Update on any contacts made.
- f. Next Presentation Branford River Neighborhoods

Goal to build public awareness, feedback, and public involvement.

· Report on progress



g. WWTP vulnerability study.

Goal: to promote the "hardening" of the town's sanitary system and treatment plan.

- Status of the final engineering report to Town on Phase 1 survey work
- h. CVWG page of Town Website

Goal: to make our webpage more interactive and responsive to public needs regarding coastal resilience.

- Q&A portal on the website webpage information sent to Town IT director.
- i. Cattle Crossing flood gate study.

Goal: to track this project and to determine how AMTRAK has responded to issues regarding flooding against their elevated track beds

- Update on CIRCA/Fuss and O'Neil study from 10/26 Special Meeting with John H
- j. Stony Creek CV sub-group.

Goal: work with the SCA subgroup to initiate actual resilience projects in Stony Creek.

- Update on Title Search Proposal of Criscuolo regarding Phase 1 secondary access study. Materials under review by the Stony Creek Association
- Roadway tidal floodwalls Prepped for DEEP meeting on this topic.

Peter Hentschel, Chairperson