

Hazard Mitigation Planning Board
Wednesday, May 18, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM

2. ROLL CALL

Members present

Stephen Walker, Director of Emergency Services
Eric Benson, IT Department
Bill Hunt, LUGM
Gerald Gardiner, Emergency Management
Ed Hogan, METCOM
George Biliias for Phillip Burch, SHA District 5

Members not present

Mike Wyant, Public Schools
Tony Wheatley, Town of Leonardtown
Vince Whittles, Community Member, Out of the State

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. Review & Approve Minutes

I move to accept the minutes from the November 17, 2021, meeting as presented.

Motion by Stephen Walker, second by Ed Hogan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Stephen Walker, Bill Hunt, Ed Hogan, Gerald Gardiner, Eric Benson, George Biliias

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee Reports

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

Gerald Gardiner shared that the Hazard Mitigations Plan is still in the process of being updated and should be completed by the end of the year. He also provided options on providing feedback on the Plan. The Hazard Risk Identifications Assessment has been completed.

Eric Benson added that the IT Department has provided all the requested GIS data to the contractor.

B. Silver Jackets

Gerald Gardiner gave an update on the Silver Jackets and the letter that was sent out to Watershed Residents and business to do the necessary surveys in the area of McIntosh Run.

C. St Mary's Dam Plan

Gerald Gardiner informed the board of a Code Red message that was sent out on May 26, 2022, to all residence in a dam breach area. He also shared the participation Emergency Services had in a tabletop exercise sponsored by Maryland Department of the Environment on March 24, 2022. MDE has also updated there St. Mary's Dam Plan.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Annual Report

I move to approve the 2021 Hazard Mitigation Planning Board Annual report as presented and forward to CSMC.

Motion by Stephen Walker, second by Ed Hogan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Stephen Walker, Bill Hunt, Ed Hogan, Gerald Gardiner, Eric Benson, George Biliias

B. Election Vice-Chairperson

Motion 1 - I move to enter elections of office for the position of Vice-Chairperson for the Hazard Mitigation Planning Board for the remainder of the year of 2022.

Motion by Gerald Gardiner, second by Stephen Walker.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Stephen Walker, Bill Hunt, Ed Hogan, Gerald Gardiner, Eric Benson, George Biliias

Motion 2 - I move to elect Ed Hogan for the position of Vice-Chairperson of Hazard Mitigation Planning Board for the remainder of this year.

Motion by Stephen Walker, second by Eric Benson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Stephen Walker, Bill Hunt, Ed Hogan, Gerald Gardiner, Eric Benson, George Biliias

C. Pilot MDE HAZUS Analysis

Gerald Gardiner gave an update on the involvement of Emergency Services with the Maryland Department of Environment on a Pilot HAZUS Analysis Project.

7. BOARD MEMBER TIME

Ed Hogan advised that METCOM has completed a risk and resilience plan for the water system within the county and are currently undergoing a study for the Marly Taylor facility which should be completed this year.

Steve Walker updated the Board on the where was in the budget process for the for the department. The only impact on Emergency Management on the Hazard Mitigation Board is the moving of the grant funded Emergency Planner to a full-time county position.

8. ADJOURN

A. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by Stephen Walker, second by George Biliias

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Stephen Walker, Bill Hunt, Ed Hogan, Gerald Gardiner, Eric Benson, George Biliias

Darlene Mund Recorder

Minutes approved by Hazard Mitigation Planning Board on September 28, 2022.