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A Special Meeting of the Flood and Erosion Control Board was held on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 5:03 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 111 North Main Street.

Present: Mayor Caggiano; Council Members Howe, Olsen, Thibeault, and Tyler.

The call of the meeting was presented:

*“Flood and Erosion Control Members
Bristol, Connecticut*

SPECIAL FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD MEETING

There will be a Special Meeting of the Flood and Erosion Control Board to be held on Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 111 North Main Street, Bristol, Connecticut.

AGENDA

1. *Flood and Erosion Control Board meeting minutes of the previous meeting, March 27, 2018.*
2. *City Areas of Flooding.*
3. *FEMA Flood Assistance Program.*
4. *FEMA Insurance Map update & Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance summary.*
5. *MSA Program summary.*
6. *Addendum*
7. *Adjournment*

Per Raymond Rogozinski, P.E., Director of Public Works”

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 27, 2018.**

On motion of Council Member Howe and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To approve the minutes of the special Flood and Erosion Control Board meeting on March 27, 2018.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Steve Donaghy, 94 Frederick St., stated the Flood & Erosion Control Board needs to meet more frequently than every two years. He expressed concern over the increased amount of pavement and building in Bristol since 1987, as well as, the frequent flooding of his home on Fredrick St.

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Paul D'Aprile, 126 Frederick St., questioned why a protective berm could not be installed on Frederick St. in response to frequent flooding, similar to one that had been installed on Broad St.

Mary Rydingsward, President, PRWA, spoke on behalf of the Pequabuck River Watershed Association urging the Board to prioritize collaboration with the PRWA and other stake holder organizations. Also to utilize the PRWA's recently updated Watershed Base Plan in identifying key properties for conservation and for implementing/establishing a best practices management program for cleaning and maintenance of the City's stormwater/sewer infrastructure.

3. PRESENTATION OF CITY AREAS OF FLOODING.

Public Works Director Rogozinski stated the City was impacted by heavy rains from multiple tropical storm in 2021 leading to the identification of 30 locations with flooding and/or drainage issues. By site, he listed corrective actions taken and proposed.

Mayor Caggiano asked that two or three locations be identified as the highest priority.

Public Works Director Rogozinski stated the Brace Avenue and Beth Avenue/Hiltbrand Road intersections were the highest priorities.

4. FEMA FLOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Public Works Director Rogozinski provided an overview of the FEMA Flood Assistance Program in relation to 2021 Bristol flood events. Including, that damage to properties rarely meets the FEMA Flood Assistance eligibility requirement that the cost of damage must exceed 50% of the value of a structure.

David Murphy, P.E.; CFM, Resilient Land & Water, presented his report commissioned by the City to assess how to better assist the City and residents in mitigating damage/loss due to flooding in the future.

5. FEMA INSURANCE MAP UPDATE & FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE SUMMARY

Public Works Director Rogozinski summarized the City's Flood Damage Prevention ordinance required for residents to participate in National Flood Insurance Program and the forthcoming update to the Flood Insurance Rate Maps that are expected to be published, summer 2022.

6. MS4 PROGRAM SUMMARY

Public Works Director Rogozinski defined and answered questions regarding the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) and management plan.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

At 5:59 p.m., on motion of Council Member Howe and seconded, it was unanimously voted: To adjourn.

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