

Orford Hazard Mitigation Meeting 11/19/03

Present:

Paul Dalton, Chair, Planning Board
Bill McKee, Orford Village Water District/Conservation Commission
Kellen Haak, Orford Historical Society
Bruce Schwaegler, Resident
Arthur Dennis, Fire Chief
Steve Calderwood, Police Chief
Quentin Mack, Selectboard
Mark Simmons, Emergency Management Director
Vicky Boundy, UVLSRPC

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned at 8 p.m.

Vicky distributed “Hazard History in New England” and CRREL “Ice Jam Database” to give Committee members additional information about hazard history and frequency of occurrence.

The Committee reviewed and made changes to draft narrative on “past hazard events,” “hazard analysis,” “critical facilities and areas of concern,” and “existing programs/policies that help mitigate hazards.”

Finally, Vicky reviewed the process for identifying potential mitigation strategies. She asked the Committee to brainstorm potential projects for the December meeting. Projects can be divided up into the following categories:

- Programs and Policies; e.g. developing hazardous material section for Emergency Management Plan; developing local ordinances
- Property Protection; e.g. tie-downs for mobile homes
- Structural; e.g. bridge or culvert replacement; riverbank restoration
- Public Education and Information; e.g. adding information on hazards to town website; developing brochure
- Engineering; e.g. updating floodplain maps
- Equipment Purchase; e.g. purchasing sandbags for flood events

Vicky agreed to send out a draft Hazard Mitigation Plan (minus those sections we haven’t yet worked on) by the next meeting, and Committee members were asked to review it in advance of the meeting.

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