MINUTES
March 24, 2022 @ 7:35pm
Flood Advisory Board
25 Lenox Avenue
Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442

CALL TO ORDER “In conformance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting of the Flood Advisory Board has been posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building and notification made to the Suburban Trends.” In addition, notice of remote meeting call in number and web access were made available on the Borough website, Facebook page and at the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL
Lauren Venin, Chairwoman
Steve Flormann, Co-Chairman
Pat Lenoy, Corresponding Secretary
Cristiane Jennings, Recording Secretary (excused)
Maria Kent, Council Liaison

Josephine Brown
Joseph Christiano
Kathleen Cole (excused)
Julie Doncoes (excused)
Harold Vandermark

VISITORS
Al Evangelista

SALUTE TO THE FLAG, MOMENT OF SILENCE WELCOME/ INTRODUCTIONS – Lauren welcomed attendees and thanked everyone for their continued support.

MINUTES – Motion by Steve Flormann to accept the February meeting minutes, seconded by Pat Lenoy, all in favor. Lauren Venin abstained.

Open Public Comments – No public present.

Drone Schedule – Hal is coordinating with Michael Koch from CERT and will schedule flight soon. Lauren will provide thumb drives. Al Evangelista inquired of ownership on Twin Lake. Discussion followed determining that if it is on Ringwood Ave side it would be the borough’s responsibility to remove the debris.

Workshop Plans – Children’s workshop will be put off until Spring 2023. Rain garden information for landscapers will be put together and consist of Cristiane’s cover letter, rain garden plans from our last workshop and Rutgers information. Al will check with fire department for a list of landscapers. Board of Health may have a list as well. We can also send out as an email if we go through Public Information Officer. It was noted that Passaic County will be offering a rain barrel sale May 22nd. Will ask if we can get that advertised as well.

Logs on Dam – Al Evangelista has been following up with Mayor Mike Serra. Mayor will follow up with Kevin to see if bids have been awarded. It was noted that the contractor will need a crane.

Dawes Highway Bridge – No update. Al will follow up with the mayor to see if a conversation can be started with the county engineer. Discussion followed on our request for channel widening.

Dam Opening Information – Al will investigate if it would be possible to use civic alert to conduct automated messages to residents when the dam is to be opened.
NFIP Expiration and Reform/Risk Rating 2.0 – Josie Brown explained the deadline has been extended again until September 2022, and there has been no movement with NFIP bills HR 5802 and HR 3128.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT – Haroldson Place Restoration Project planting has been pushed back to the fall. We will need to smother mug wort in the spring, possibly working concurrent with the river clean up scheduled for May 1st. Start with brush hog and look into donation from rental place on Route 23. Materials needed to smother mug wort will include snow fence, stakes, black plastic, cardboard, stakes to secure cardboard and signs. Order plants first week of June.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE – Pacifico Gallo Park playground equipment upgrade discussed. Maintenance of parks by DPW was also discussed. DEP responded and has asked for more information on Willow field project.

FLOOD LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – See above.

CRS COMMITTEE – No update.

CLIMATOLOGY – Rain total for February was 3.91 inches. A little above average. March so far is at 1.5 inches. First quarter so far is 8.64 inches. Reservoir is at 297 feet. Ramapo River is near eight feet.

ADJOURNMENT – Steve Flormann made a motion to adjourn, and Pat Lenoy seconded the motion at 8:35pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Cristiane Jennings