

MINUTES

June 27, 2019 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.”

SALUTE THE FLAG/ MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

Lauren Venin, Chairwoman (excused)
Steve Flormann, Co-Chairman (excused)
Pat Lenoy, Corresponding Secretary
Julie Doncoes
Josie Brown
Maria Kent
Joe Christiano
Katie Cole
Frank Jaconetta filling in for Erik DeLine, Council Liaison
Al Evangelista, OEM Manager
Cristiane Jennings, Recording Secretary

WELCOME/ INTRODUCTIONS No food or drink in Council Chambers

MINUTES Julie made a motion to accept the May minutes with corrections to verbiage of Garden Road water, seconded by Josie.

MOTION TO OPEN/CLOSE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS Pat made a motion to open for public comments and Josie seconded the motion.

WELCOME NEW RECORDING SECRETARY Cristiane Jennings was welcomed as new Recording Secretary.

GARDEN ROAD DE-WATER PLFD is unable to de-water the pond. It has recommended mud pumps due to the buildup of debris over the years. Suggestions were made to contact DMK or possibly the PLMUA who might have large enough mud pumps.

LOG REMOVAL FROM THE DAM The request previously submitted to Mayor and Council to have the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission (NJDWSC) remove the logs from the dam has been fulfilled thanks to efforts by Councilman Jaconetta. As part of its renewable energy project, the State of NJ and the Army Core of Engineers has contracted NJDWSC to install cameras along its waterways including the Pompton Dam with live feed expected soon. NJDWSC will also help to maintain pipeline that runs through Pompton.

USGS GAUGE REQUEST Kevin has still not received any responses from USGS regarding the dam. Lauren suggested that the Mayor and Council officially reach out as well. Maria motioned to have Mayor and Council write a letter to have the right amount of gauges installed, seconded by Katie. Joe will provide specific coordinates, data points and descriptions to Liz Brandness to include with letter.

DRONE REINSPECTION Al Evangelista is scheduled to re-inspect Pequannock River in the fall. Steve asked that FAB members interested in inspecting the Ramapo River on foot think about grouping up in the next few weeks and months.

Target completion of the re-inspection is mid-autumn. However, Al advised he will check if drone inspection can be done of the Ramapo as well.

NEW EMAIL AND DATA STORAGE Steve is still having issues connecting to the Borough's OneDrive account for file storage. Councilman Frank Jaconetta will check to see what storage options are available.

DEP REGARDING MAPS AND FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT No official response yet from DEP.

RUTGERS MASTER PLAN Paid \$24,500 a year ago and still no official plan received. Maria requested to see a copy of the final draft from Rutgers by next meeting if possible. Steve will be informed to reach out.

COMMITTEES:

LAKE RESTORATION COMMITTEE Five winners for the photo contest were recognized at the last council meeting, with the 1st place finisher receiving a kayak. New photo contest has been posted to Facebook requesting submission of Pompton bodies of water. PLHS art teacher will judge entries. Pompton Lake and Twin Lake are being treated with chemicals to curb algae growth.

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT Steve excused. No update.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE No quorum this month. Trail maintenance in July.

FLOOD LEGISLATION COMMITTEE National Flood Insurance Program has been extended to September 30, 2019. New 45 page bill drawn similar to SAFE Act put out by Menendez. Summary report was not available yet. Discussion followed about preventative measures including replacing the Dawes Hwy Bridge. In the past, Passaic County wouldn't touch the bridge due to its historic status. However, that was many years ago and we should try again. Making it a wider and longer bridge would allow better flow of water beneath it.

CRS COMMITTEE No update. Katie Cole will take over for Beth as the CRS Correspondent and will reach out to Liz Brandness for updates to be presented at the next meeting.

CLIMATOLOGY May finished at 7.26" of rain, a record dating back to 2011. Total rainfall for 2019 so far is at 29.41" through 06/27/19. Last year was wettest on record with 79.2" compared to 64.5" in 2011. As of today, June is at 6.39" of rain. Rivers are behaving with no action stages in May or June. The Wanaque Reservoir has been at action stage most of June, except for June 11th when it dipped slightly below. Maria thanked Joe for his dedication to the data collection and commented that it makes our committee look good.

ADJOURNMENT Pat made a motion to adjourn and Katie seconded the motion. **8:32pm**

Respectfully Submitted,
Cristiane Jennings