

SFMAC JUNE 2020 MINUTES

Membership: This Committee is comprised of Town residents and/or property owners appointed by the Mayor for a three-year term. Mayor Benton appointed three Town residents and/or property owners: Lauren Kabler, Gary Koopmann and Jay Loveless. Mayor Benton directed the Committee to work directly with the Director of Public Works (Donnie Bowen) and the Town Engineer (Paul Woodburn). The Mayor appointed Donnie Bowen as Committee Chair. The Committee selected Lauren Kabler as Committee Secretary. In addition, a representative from the Maryland Department of Planning (Sarah Sularz), attends Committee Meetings.

Frequency of Committee Meetings: The Committee will meet on the third Monday of every month at the Public Works Building, unless otherwise rescheduled.

June 2020 (meeting held via Zoom due to Covid-19) Committee Meeting Date and Participants: Committee members Donnie Bowen, Lauren Kabler, Gary Koopman and Jay Loveless participated. Council member Elizabeth Lawton participated. Town Grant writer Veronica Owens participated. Town Clerk Stacy Milor facilitated the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

	Action Items Discussed and Status and/or Next Steps	Lead	Status and/or Next Steps
1	The application for a DNR grant for \$75,000 to fund development, by EFC, of a comprehensive stormwater and flood plan was submitted by the town. See, https://www.northbeachmd.org/other-documents-and-information . We have heard that we have been approved for the grant but have not received formal notification from DNR. We have also heard that DNR is drafting the scope of work and will send to us in July for review. We have not received the scope of work from DNR from review.	Committee	Pending formal approval and distribution of grant funds to Town.
2	Preliminary designs for the 5th, 7th and 9th street pumping stations are completed (by GK) and submitted to two engineering firms who are preparing spec sheets and details for the upgrades (no charge). Donnie is also in the process of reviewing the preliminary plans and will provide comments to Gary before the July meeting. In addition, Donnie has directed a pump firm (Gorman Ruff) to review the Town's old designs for 5 th , 7 th and 9 th street pumping station upgrades. Donnie expects comments from Gorman Ruff in July after which we will cherry pick best ideas for implementation from two sets of plans.	Donnie, Gary	Pending receipt of review by Donnie and Gorman Ruff.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Explore feasibility of converting North Beach Flood Action listserv from a mechanism designed	Committee	Committee agrees that makes sense to

	<p>to keep interested residents in the loop on flood related problems/solutions to a mechanism that alerts members of the listserv to high water events. Note that b/c information related to flooding is now posted on the Town's SFMAC webpage there is little need for the North Beach Flood Action listserv.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee will discuss whether makes sense to put effort into this or whether better to incorporate this proposal into development of comprehensive SW/flood plan to be developed by EFC. 		<p>incorporate this proposal into development of comprehensive SW/flood plan to be developed by EFC. Therefore, this effort is on hold pending EFC start work.</p>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sasha Land provided sample NFPs and confirmed that the Town is on the list of participants in DNR's pilot that will be used to document flooding events. Committee will discuss whether the Town should request an exemption from the State requirement to complete an NFP by October 2020 given pending approval of DNR grant/development of comprehensive SW/flood plan to be developed by EFC. 	Committee	<p>Committee agrees that Town should request an exemption from the State requirement to complete an NFP by October 2020 given pending approval of DNR grant/development of comprehensive SW/flood plan to be developed by EFC.</p> <p>Donnie will reach out to DNR and ask for an exemption.</p>
5	<p>Pending approval in Town budget for funds to purchase DNR flood gauge Donnie will purchase flood gauge through DNR (see, https://fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R45695.pdf)</p>	Donnie	<p>Committee agrees that makes sense to incorporate this proposal into development of comprehensive SW/flood plan to be developed by EFC. Therefore, this effort is on hold pending EFC start work.</p>
6	<p>Install/pilot foam block.</p>	Donnie	<p>Will install 3rd week in July. Will use a construction grade foam product purchases from Chaney Enterprises. Committee members will monitor effectiveness and</p>

			document with photos and notes. Information gathered will inform EFC's plan for options for Atlantic Avenue flooding (which impacts entire storm sewer system during heavy weather events from the East in conjunction with heavy rainfall).
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NEW BUSINESS

	Action Items Discussed and Status and/or Next Steps	Lead	Status and/or Next Steps
1	Expiration of funds in 2020 budget for flood/stormwater projects.	Donnie	Funds were bumped to 2021. Effective in July. Have 1 year to spend.
2	Fee in lieu related to 5 th street development and library projects. Development/library projects will provide fee in lieu to the Town. Fees will be dedicated to addressing flooding/stormwater management issues.	Donnie	Town needs to create a fee in lieu bank account. Donnie will work with Rick on creating account.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Committee members. A Town resident (Elana VanOudenaren) asked to join the Committee. Elana sent a formal request to Stacy Milor and it was approved. Elana will participate in all future Committee meetings. Gary recommended another Town resident for the Committee, David Damalouji. 	Donnie	<p>Figure out how to induct new Committee members during Covid (i.e., Town Hall closed so cannot induct in person).</p> <p>Discuss next steps for adding new Committee member David Damalouji.</p>
4	An RFP for the 5 th street pipe cleaning went out on June 22, 2020. Bids were due on July 6. Calvert County is expected to pay half the cost.	Donnie	Identify status and next steps and report out to the Committee.
5	Town Grant writer identified several possible grants and suggested we apply for such grants.	Committee	Veronica will send list of available grants to Stacy for distribution/discussion with the Committee. Next steps TBD after receipt/review.

6	Figure out how to more effectively message Committee efforts. Unclear whether Town residents aware of and/or read the SFMAC page/contents. Discuss coordinating with the Town's Department of Community Conservation on messaging.	Committee	Invite Lisa Garrett to next Committee meeting.
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