

Historic Ellicott City Flood Workgroup

Minutes

11-13-2017

Present
Debbie Slack Katz (Chair)
Mark Deluca (Staff)
Ryan Miller (Staff)
Phil Nichols (Staff)
Lori Lilly (Member)
Ken McNaughton (Member)
Kevin Bloom (Member)
Dave Myers (Member)

Guests: Marcus Ervin (Housing Commission), Rob Vogel, Regina Bellini, Ashley Seminiski - consultant

❖ **Old Business –**

- Approval of minutes from 11/10/17 – Dave motion, Kevin second and all approve

❖ **Update on Flood Recovery –**

- County update – Phil – MD Sustainable Growth Commission – sits under MD Dept. of Planning – gave tour of Ellicott City; flood warning system being reviewed with National Weather Service and others; Master Plan meetings this week; Valley Meade H&H study will be presented this week in Banneker Room
- Projects Update- Mark – Comprehensive update – reviewed project sheet of all projects – 50% of work has been completed; Valley Meade stream restoration – meeting is this Wed; Floodproofing study – public meeting in Jan. – Dec meeting will be here with FW; PO cut for repair of Sweeney’s wall; 84” culvert enlargement – will be a big and complicated project; retention pond H7 in 29/40 – moving forward; got permission from State to do soil borings; Tiber retention T1 – survey done and getting ready for borings – partner with GreenVest; New Cut – in progress; joint evaluation group for permitting – mtg before Xmas for initial review; courthouse slope stabilization and reestablish stream channel – in design; courthouse drainage – further evaluation needed; Old Columbia Pike storm drains – further evaluation needed; cinder block wall and sand bag wall on hold

❖ **Burgess Mill II Update** – Under construction; completion expected in Sept '18; retaining wall is going in now; old Roger Carter is freshly graded; now through spring review of site related concerns; holding capacity between new and redevelopment standards discussion – geotechnical constraints – discharged directly to Fels Ln prior to project – now it is being piped and tied into storm drain system near basketball courts; 100 year storm management criteria being met – “100 year flow is not being increased by proposed development;” Environmental Site Design is being provided; new outfall; everything is tied into a dedicated management area

❖ **Member Share** –

- Ken – parking deck proposed in Lot F – Ken is opposed - Desmond and Associates also said this wasn't a good idea
- Lori – can we meet less frequently? Decision will be made after mission re-evaluation.
- Do we need a change to the Exec Order to accommodate new members? Debbie and Phil to look into.
- 12/11 meeting – change meeting with Corps to January and cancel Dec.
- Gananoque, Ontario example – interesting flood mitigation ideas
- Neighborhood Design Center – good resource
- Ryan – enjoyed Lori's Miller Branch library workshop with Michael Judd – great resources and ideas

❖ **Adjourn – 7:30 pm**