

Long Term Community Recovery (LTCR) All-Champions Meeting  
Monday, 5/20/2013 - 5:30 pm  
Minutes

Present: Rebecca Ellis, Margaret Luce, MK Monley, Barb Farr, Dan Currier, Steve Lotspeich, Natalie Howell.  
R. Ellis called the meeting to order at 5:31.

B. Farr reported that Moe Dennis of the National Guard is offering to provide guardsman to help with projects. Barb is directing them to the CCC camp and Pomegranate Park project efforts.

M. Luce made a motion to approve the minutes of May 6, 2013 (with a typo correction on page 2, "bond vote"). This was seconded by MK Monley and passed unanimously.

Dan Currier from Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) provided updates on 3 projects:

1. Choke Study / Winooski Street Bridge Analysis with Milone and MacBroom. Inundation map is being finalized. The State (with consultant Thad) is running cost analysis results with assistance of a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) representative. CVRPC will submit a grant through the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. The Letter of Intent is due June 7<sup>th</sup>, and full application is due July 12<sup>th</sup>. There is about \$15 million available in grant funds, and this proposal can be phased over time based on the progressive stages of the engineering studies.
2. CVRPC has two grants submitted with CDBG-DR (Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery) and both will be reviewed by ACCD (Agency of Commerce and Community Development) June 13.
  - o Application 1 - \$100,000: for the collection of elevation data and transportation resiliency in the Thatcher Brook watershed and the Mad River watershed. This will generate a matrix to assist the town in how to best prioritize flood fixes and identify how to improve structures.
  - o Application 2 - \$100,000: for inundation mapping and zones for Thatcher Brook and Mad River. This will provide 1 foot contouring mapping.
3. CVRPC is offering to assist with an Eco-system restoration grant (through the Agency of Natural Resources). The grant submission is due June 13. This is to identify fluvial erosion hazard zones for the Winooski River area and to assist in managing flood resiliency. This will be taken up by the Select Board at a May 28 meeting. Dan suggests the applicant could be either the Town of Waterbury or the CVRPC. CVRPC has the capacity to write the grant application and/or can do the work, or can manage a consultant. This would cover Moretown, Duxbury, and Waterbury. No local match required (but a match gets extra points in the grant process). In-kind contributes extra points.

Other News:

- Revitalizing Waterbury is looking to make an offer to an Executive Director candidate this week.
- R. Ellis reported that Greg Sharrow of the Vermont Folklife Center is hosting an Irene-themed Waterbury circle story exhibit. MK and Sarah-Lee Terrat will follow up on the photo materials to be included
- R. Ellis advised of the upcoming 2013 Preservation Trust of Vermont Grand Isle Lake House Retreats on July 8-9. The Retreats are for anyone undertaking or considering a community development or historic preservation project such as adapting historic buildings for contemporary uses. Even if you don't have a specific project, you are welcome to join us to share in the discussions. It works best to have 2-4 people represent a project. Attendees will be asked to present a 10-minute case study about their project that frames a situation or problem that once solved will move that project forward. Lisa Scagliotti has some interest in looking at preservation efforts of the Henry Janes building.

Other project Updates:

- R. Ellis advised that the Vermont Institute for Sustainable Communities is hosting a Resilient Vermont Solution Summit in Sugarbush today!
- B. Farr gave the following project updates:

- Municipal Civic Complex CDBG-DR \$1million grant was approved on 5/10/13!
- Utilization of 51 South Main – Darren Winham has submitted a letter on behalf of potential business interests to acquire the property if it is approved for sale.
- Hunger Mountain Child Care - waiting for sign-off from HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development) for the CDBG-DR grant award so they can sign the Purchase & Sale with the State.
- Emergency Power Program – Alec Tuscany has received 3 proposals for the Thatcher Brook Primary School generator acquisition and installation. Alec will present to the Select Board tonight for approval. The project should be complete this summer.
- Flood proof main sewage pump station – CDBG-DR grant conditions are completed.

Regarding the Friends of the Municipal Complex update, MK has registered the name 'Friends of Waterbury' with the Secretary of State and can now open a bank account. The group is working on the communication of a positive message. They are looking to mount a strong campaign to inform the facts of the project.

There was a brief discussion about the timing of a bond vote and the process of a bond rescission. In order to rescind, a petition will need two-thirds of the number of voters that voted in the affirmative in order to call a vote to rescind.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Stanley Hall site accommodating all four programs versus using two sites (51 South Main St and the Library site). Stanley is a more favorable site with all in one location for about the same cost of having two sites to accommodate the four functions.

At 6:31pm, M. Luce made a motion to adjourn. This motion was seconded by N. Howell and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva Loomis, VISTA

Approved on: June 3, 2013

**Upcoming Meetings/Dates:**

- Citizens for Waterbury PAC: Wednesday, May 22, 7pm, St. Leo's Hall
- Tri-Board: Tuesday May 28, 7pm, Second Floor of Steele's Block
- LTCR Steering Committee meeting: June 3, 5:30pm, Second Floor of Steele's Block
- Municipal Civic Complex (MCC) info meeting: June 6, 6-7:30pm, TBPS cafeteria
- Early voting begins at Main St Fire Station: June 7
- MCC info meeting: June 13, 6-7:30pm, TBPS cafeteria
- MCC info meeting: June 20, 6-7:30pm, TBPS cafeteria
- Last day to vote on MCC bond: June 27, TBPS (all day)