



Minutes
Flood & Erosion Protection Committee
Tuesday, February 21, 2012

1. Roll Call: Charles: Y Jim Gardner: Y (Council Rep)
Ric: Abs Robin: Y Stacy: Y Sue: Y
Cheryl (alt): Y Chris (council alt.): Abs
Do you want to mention that another councilperson (non-Committee member) attended the meeting?
2. Approval of:
 - A. Minutes of January 19, 2012 Motion: **Robin** Second: **Charles**
 - B. Approval of Consent Agenda Motion: **Robin** Second: **Cheryl**
3. Public Hearings: None this month
4. Guest Speaker: None this month
5. **Reports on identified issues:**
 - A. Administers report: **Greg Stewart, Not in attendance. Submitted written report. Committee had some questions on this report, Jim tried to answer them. Committee is fine with Jack no longer attending meetings.**
 - USDA loan status
 - Dredging status – **No update**
 - Any trees cut down this winter?
 - Pump status
 - Update on mtg with DEQ and Corp. – **No update**
 - Phil Costello's input on revised Ord. #111 – **No update**
 - B. Engineers report: **Jack Knowles, not in attendance; see written report. Report was discussed and committee disappointed in wording "strong interest from committee to restore/create sand beaches along shoreline. It may be possible to utilize the dredge spoils along the shoreline as the committee would like to." The FEP Committee discussion has focused on using**

dredging spoils to protect the wall, **not to create a beach**. Jack's language misrepresents this. In addition, the map was not provided electronically and does not contain the level of detail requested, which might have justified its cost of \$2200. The current map doesn't fulfill the request. Questions were also raised about whether it accurately represents the current status. The Committee is also concerned about how long it will take Jack to provide the City with an acceptable engineering contract needed for the USDA loan. Jim Gardner will talk with Greg to find out how long it will take to finalize the contract with DeDecker and request it be done as soon as possible.

- Information on sill project

C. Vice Chair Report: Stacy Grimes

- Sill Project Update – Stacy will speak with Greg about a surveyor to determine the high water mark on the dike wall.

D. Secretary Report: Sue Lopes

- Attorney research – Attorney Kotz, Sangster – Jim Stewart not answering emails or voice mails so there may be a conflict of interest as he is Mike Briskey's attorney. Now FEP will have to contact attorneys that Jack gave us. Sue advised that Mayor Mary is ok with the Committee doing this and understands we are only looking for an attorney that specializes with water and dike issues and knows how to deal with the MDEQ and Corp. Jim Gardner thinks the City Administrator should be calling and sourcing attorneys, not FEP. Jim wants to take this project. Sue will look for contact (attorneys) and email to Jim.
- Ordinance #111 – Drafts sent to Committee and city administrator, who was asked to forward to current city attorney, Phil Costello. No feedback from either at this time. Jim Gardner will follow up with City Administrator on this topic.

E. Treasurers Report: Chris Heid - Absent, no report. Sue Lopes requested copies of the FEP budget report from City Treasurer DeAnn Parran. These were distributed to the Committee. The Committee reviewed the report, and is concerned with total amount of money the City is paying Jack's firm, Dedecker, and whether the same work is being paid out of multiple budgets Chris Heid had stated previously that he would find out the details of each large charge to the FEP account. Jim Gardner stated he will check on the charges to the FEP fund. He will also

ask if FEP is paying any money for the Lakeside Drain project and who else is paying.

F. Chair Report: Ric Murray – Absent, no report

6. Old Business:

A. Sill Test Project: Actions needed: Form for residents need to sign on agreement for removal; written action plan; others? Committee not certain that a written action plan is needed. Jim Gardner stated he will find out what is needed. Actual addresses are needed of citizens willing to have the test done on their property. The members were asked to supply addresses to Stacy. Stacy will be doing more investigation and research.

B. Ordinance #111 draft

C. Research projects status from members – Sue and Cheryl will go back to city to review more files. Robin is reviewing the USDA loan. Not finished yet - will be soon.

7. New Business –

A. Levy, millage for flood Protection: A strategy needed. Will discuss next month.

Mid-American Gunite had fixed the pier in 2003. Stacy has invoice and will contact them for further information.

8. Community Input: Meeting open to the public.
(Limit comments to 2 minutes per person). No citizens present at this point in meeting

9. Committee Action Needed:

A. None

10. Committee Input – Stacy Grimes asked Jim Gardner to read the 2001 Erosion Study so he is up to speed with why the committee wants to proceed with the removal of approximately 400 feet of sills on a test basis. Sue Lopes advised that this study and other important documents are on the web site. Jim Gardner stated that he saw rocks come up from the bottom of the lake bed to the top of the sand and doesn't think it will help to place dredging material or sand on top of rip rap or just place soils along dike wall. Robin indicated that wave deflectors have helped in Allen's Cove.

11.Future Meeting Dates: Posted on City Web Site Calendar. Next meeting Tuesday March 20, 2012.

12.Meeting Adjourned: Time 9.25pm