

Community Resilience Grant Committee Meeting Notes

7/22/2024

Attendees:

Committee Members Present	Linda Meadows Ernie Kalinisan Sarah Hardy Aaron Zeisler Charlie Smith Serena Cole
Committee Members Absent	Kathy Kamzelski
Community Attendees	Elizabeth Lenharr Bonnie Jean Brooks

Yellow Highlight indicates NEW action items

Green Highlight indicates COMPLETED action items

#	Agenda	Notes
1	Call to Order Quorum present	Meeting Start at: 6:02pm See attendance above
2	Review and Approval of 7/8/24 Meeting minutes	We updated the Table 1 with accurate counts on the projects and then voted to approve the minutes.
3.	Update on 7/8/24 Action Items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Linda has asked Mac for some examples of by-laws from other town committees. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Harbor committee and planning committee bylaws were provided by Mac. b. Selena will help Linda to come up with a set of our own using these examples. 2. Need the evaluation/recommendations of Sandy Point park/beach from Mac. This came from a representative from Coastal Mountain Land Trust we believe. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Mac said that all of those recommendations have been completed so he didn't provide a document. 3. Homework – the group needs to review the 7 pages, list of community actions and fill it out to their abilities/understanding of the town. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Refer to notes in a separate section #4 below 4. Linda will give the self evaluation to Mac and we'll have him come to the next meeting to review <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Linda provided the documents to the safety committee and to MAC, he will fill out two pages by the next meeting. She also went to the Safety Committee on 7/22 and together they filled out one page of the sheet. b. Linda invited the safety meeting and Mac to our next meeting. c. What Linda learned at the Safety Committee:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Emergency/police/Fire station which would also be an emergency shelter (where people could stay overnight, longer than just a warming or cooling station which is currently in town hall basement) ii. For fire and ambulance Federal OSHA changes are coming and will create a huge increase in cost – from \$140,000 to \$500,000 annually. There is an article in the last week Republican Journal by Jim Leonard about this coming change (Fully involved News waldo.villagesoup.com). iii. Replace an older ambulance in need of replacement. A grant has submitted for \$400,000 to fund this so it may be taken care, and we wouldn't need to pursue a grant. iv. Public Works – didn't have any issues around any specific roads – but they need a new plow truck. v. Police – they are required to change out their vests every 5 years and they do not always have money for that replacement. <p>5. Linda to speak to someone at the town to reserve the room.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 7/22, 8/5, 8/19 has been reserved for meetings
4	Other Business	<p>1. NEW findings, not a previous action item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Linda also asked Mac about the state owning Sandy Point and who we might have to interact with if we pursue erosion and trail rebuilding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. He reviewed the Town's agreement with the State of Maine regarding Sandy Point Beach. There is nothing in the agreement that would prohibit the placement of reclaim in the place of the boardwalks. The points of the agreement are very general, and in fact the town may be in violation of the agreement to "...operate, maintain and administer the Property and its facilities in good order and condition..." because of the current unsafe condition of the boardwalk. ii. As far as marsh grass, that would be a bigger project and would seem to require permission and coordination through the state. iii. Bonnie Jean Brooks mentioned that there may be some overlap in the land for sandy point and the Brooks family that live near "the amazon". Bonnie will confirm with the Brooks family and report back next meeting. <p>2. Linda also found out that we can only request one community resilience grant at a time. However there may be other grants available that we can pursue simultaneous.</p>
5	Complete form: List of Community Actions	The group discussed the form and how we should fill it out. Decided to use the following categories (since it seems there's some flexibility in


		<p>the form): Compete (C), In Process (IP), Future Low Priority (FL), Future High Priority (FH), Not applicable (NA).</p> <p>The group did not get through all the questions, but mostly completed</p>  <p>List of Community Actions_2023-11-02_0</p> <p>through section C. Refer to this document:</p> <p>Follow-up questions on specific items in the survey</p> <p>B1: has the town done an energy audit? Linda to ask MAC</p> <p>B6: Committee to discuss with public works at next meeting</p> <p>B7: Ask Code Enforcer (Linda)</p> <p>B8: Check if applicable to Private properties – may be in the linked document in the form (Linda)</p>
6	Community Engagement	Review draft of information for August town newsletter. Small changes were suggested, Linda made note of those changes and will submit it to the newsletter. Thanks Linda!
7	Adds to agenda	none
8	Adjournment	Adjourned at 7:20

Table A:

Idea	# votes
Sandy Point Beach Erosion restoration	7
Green Valley culvert replacement plan (needs to allow salmon access)	7
Emergency Shelter – new building	7
Heat pumps in ambulance building and public works building	6
Sandy Point trails – improve resiliency to storms (add to Erosion restoration)	4
Fire hydrants that work for all	4
Community garden	3
Point person, coordinator for projects/case studies	3
Roof repair of municipal buildings	3
Solar upgrades	2
Vulnerability assessment of all town properties to effects of climate change (includes residential properties)	2
Roadside solar/EV charging	1
Breakwater for Stockton Harbor	1
Senior Housing	1
Municipal composting	0
Broadband	0

*note: zero votes does not indicate no interest or that we shouldn't pursue it, it simply means that folks chose to use their prioritization votes elsewhere and it is a lower priority.