

Goodhue County All Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Policy Committee Meeting

August 17, 2009

Emergency Operations Center, Goodhue County Law Enforcement Building

Attending:

Diane Richter-Biwer - Office of Emergency Management
Sarah Schrader – Goodhue County GIS Department
Greta Bernatz – GIS/OEM Intern, Hazard Mitigation Plan
Lori Agre – City of Goodhue
Kelly Hovel – Goodhue County Cooperative Electric Association
Cindy Becker – Goodhue County Red Cross
Paul Clauson – Kenyon/Wanamingo School District #2172
Karen Moyer – Zumbrota/Mazeppa School District #2805
Chris Bates – Pine Island Schools
Kristi Gross – Goodhue County Land Use Management
Kelly Moriarty – Goodhue County Land Use Management
Nick Ries – Welch Township
Michael Wozniak – Goodhue County
Beau Kennedy – Goodhue Soil and Water Conservation District
Ethan Seaberg – Goodhue County Public Works
Fred Mohn – Hay Creek Township
Jennifer Todd – Prairie Island Tribal Community
Jeff McCormick – Cannon Falls
Debbie Stark – Cannon Falls Township
Dan King - Zumbrota

10am – Welcome and Introductions (Sarah Schrader)

Overview of Plan (Greta Bernatz)

- Brief review of Plan purpose, planning process, and timeline

Status of each section

- Updated maps are on display
- Results of hazard rank worksheet
- Results of goal survey

Alternative Priority Rank system explained

- A simplified method for ranking projects has been created as an alternative to the Cost/Benefit review on the back of the blue project implementation plan sheets. For each project, a blue project implementation plan sheet needs to be completed and the alternative priority rank method needs to be filled out. It is very helpful to include some sort of cost estimation.

FEMA Grant information

- FEMA mitigation assistance programs listed and importance of including the project in the Plan emphasized
- List of FEMA eligible projects displayed and discussed

- Documenting damage from hazards is important for completing the cost/benefit review required when applying for FEMA money.

Explanation of available resources listing project ideas

- Individual lists of project ideas pertaining to cities, school districts, and townships are available. These lists incorporate ideas suggested in the survey, at the open house, and by jurisdictions.
- Resources from Minnesota Homeland Security and Emergency Management
- List of alternative funding sources
- Public Open house minutes

Time for discussion of mitigation goals and project ideas

- Concern raised about the flood warning system in Welch Township and hazard mitigation for Eggleston

Reminder of Public Open House August 27th

- It was mentioned that another open house to review the final draft of the Plan will be held in late September or early October. All worksheets and project ideas should be submitted by mid September to be included in the final draft.

10:45: Time to review resources, complete worksheets, ask individual questions, and discuss with other committee members

11:10: Meeting ends