Floodplain Management Working Group Meeting
Monday, January 23, 2017 at 5:00pm
Steele Community Room, 28 North Main Street
Draft Meeting Minutes

5:00pm Regular Business

In Attendance: Natalie Howell-Sherman, Steve Lotspeich, Rebecca Ellis, Laura Ranker, Peg Elmer and Barb Farr

1. Assign volunteer meeting chair. Rebecca Ellis chair; Barb Farr will take minutes.

2. Agenda review/modification. No modifications to the agenda were made.

3. Announcements/Introductions -   Peg Elmer from the CRO will be joining the meeting.

4. Review/approve December 12, 2016 Floodplain Working Group Meeting Minutes. Steve motioned and Natalie seconded to accept the minutes. All approved, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Peg Elmer, CRO – Peg discussed the self-assessment tool that many other towns could use to evaluate their resiliency and preparedness levels. We discussed the activities of the several local CROs around the state and the timing of the next annual gathering scheduled to be in Northfield at Norwich University. Details to follow.

6. Update on Hazard Mitigation Projects
   a. Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
      i. Draft Public Opinion Survey was reviewed and suggestions made to clarify some questions as well as add some additional questions to gain public input on the draft priorities that the FMWG has been working on for the last year. The goal is to have a survey ready for Town Meeting Day. Peg offered the use and/or concepts in the CRO self-assessment tool. Barb will redraft and get back to the FMWG.
      ii. The draft FMWG Report for the Town and Village Reports was reviewed and motioned by Steve and seconded by Natalie to accept. All approved.
      iii. Barb and Steve provided an update on the home elevation pilot projects. The Healy Court project is waiting for final FEMA approval.

7. River Corridor mapping pilot project – No information at this time. Dan will report on this project at the next FMWG meeting.

8. Date and time for next meeting: The next meeting will be on 2/27 at 5:00pm in the SAL room in the library.