

Oakland Flood Commission Meeting
Bergen County, Oakland, New Jersey
October 11, 2021

- Lew Levy, chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
- Roll call.
- Approval of minutes:

Motion to approve Minutes of September 13, 2021 made by Tony Smid, and seconded by Steve Farley. All in favor.

- Committee Reports:

CRS: Nick Agnoli informed the committee that this is a cycle year, five year audit, and Oakland did well. On September 29, 2021, ISO representatives met with the Borough. ISO represents FEMA; the meeting at the Borough lasted five hours, and all questions were answered. By report, Oakland's program is in great shape. Oakland is reactive to stream problems and proactive when concerns arise, provide outreach, mapping, Swift Reach (reverse 911), and work with the DOT and DEP.

Nick Agnoli mentioned high priority items to be addressed within the next 30 days.

1-Proof of review from Boswell. Proof that what comes into the planning board and zoning are reviewed.

2-Nick indicated that Roy Brauberger will complete a checklist for federal review, regarding OEM, which is approximately 16 pages. Oakland has developed a standard operating procedure, flood warning and response system. This will be documented.

Nick Agnoli indicated that he is optimistic that the Borough will see a discount in flood insurance 15% to 20%. He is hoping for a 25% reduction, which would place Oakland at a Class 5.

Nick Agnoli stated that he will reach out to Roy Brauberger to go through Roy's program. Response must be filed in 20 days. Nick Agnoli forwarded to the members, the Borough's most recent SOP, the Program for Public Information (PPI), the letter from ISO, and the "to do" list. Flood Committee members were asked for their input.

Nick Agnoli, Tony Smid, Steve Farley, and Bill Wolford discussed concerns behind the Reserve, Drainage System Maintenance Maps, and the drain pipe at the Lakeshore bridge. Tony Smid stated that the DPW is responsible for cleaning out the streams.

Nick Agnoli also discussed River Restoration and the modification to the proposal. Lew Levy asked for restrictions on contractors.

Nick Agnoli informed the Flood Committee members that no one can be in the water from March 15th through June 15th.

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:53p.m.

In Attendance:

Lew Levy-Chairman

Anthony Smid-Co-chairman

Steve Farley

Bill Wolford

Nick Agnoli

Ali Fleeson

Respectfully submitted,

Zulema Sanchez,

Secretary