

Oakland Flood Commission Meeting
Bergen County, Oakland, New Jersey
December 13, 2021

- Lew Levy, chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

- Roll call.

- Committee Reports:

Lew Levy reviewed Allerman Brook. Lew Levy stated that he offered the mayor help, and after speaking with the council, she refused. Lew Levy stated that the entire brook has to be attended to.

Roy Bauberger stated that last Wednesday state engineers came out. There are two eligible projects: cleaning out Lakeshore Drive to Crystal Lake and 40 Nokomis. Unless Oakland hears otherwise, funding will be provided. Roy Bauberger also stated that the area from 287 to Crystal Lake needs to be addressed and will require full flood mitigation from FEMA.

Nick Agnoli stated that he will be providing FEMA additional information regarding reimbursement related to the hurricane and Allerman Brook. In addition, he stated that CRS was a success. All the information has been submitted and we are waiting rescoring. Lew Levy and Nick Agnoli addressed replacing the aprons, which take the abuse from the water. Nick Agnoli reported that he walked the length of Allerman Brook and there are five sections necessitating help. All projects have been discussed. Lew Levy stated that the difference in the velocity of the brook is drastic. Nick Agnoli stated that past clearing under the 202 bridge has improved the flow of the water. Roy Bauberger reported that a narrowing section behind Faber Brothers increased the water's velocity. Thirty yards of material needs to be cleared. He further stated that we have a good handle on the problem areas.

Nick Agnoli reported that cost estimates are due by Friday. There is significant funding for projects due to flooding. Oakland is favoring positively. Tony Smid, Steve Farley and Lew Levy discussed the Daylight Stream Assessment Program and how often streams need to be inspected. Nick Agnoli stated that only problem areas need to be inspected quarterly; other areas are to be inspected annually. Tony Smid and Steve Farley indicated that they have requested drainage maps but they have not received them. Nick Agnoli will request them again.

Motion to approve minutes of the November 8, 2021 meeting was made by Tony Smid. Michael Pritchard seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

In attendance:

Lew Levy, chair
Tony Smid, co-chair
Nick Agnoli
Roy Bauberger
Steve Farley
Michael Pritchard
Bill Wolford

Respectfully submitted,

Zulema Sanchez

Flood Commission Recording Secretary