



Meeting Minutes

Rye Planning Committee

October 14, 2014, 6:00-8:00PM

Rye City Hall

Attendance: Bernie Althoff, Rye Co-Chair, Holly Kennedy, Rye Co-Chair, Frank Gadaleta, Sara Goddard, Josh Nathan, Richard Runes, Tracy Stora, Birgit Townley, Eleanor Militana, Rye Assistant to the City Manager, Steve Otis, Rye City Council Member, Suzanne Barclay, Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery, Ricardo Soto-Lopez, Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery, Alex Breinin, Governor’s Office of Storm Recovery, Jason Hellendrung, Consultant Team, Julia Carlton, Consultant Team

Agenda Item Welcome and Introductions **Presenter** Bernie

Summary of Discussion:

Suggestion to consider that Committee members forfeit their vote if they have too many absences. General consensus is that this is not a problem in Rye.

Parsons Brinckerhoff to present their report to Rye’s Flood Committees, date TBD

Decision/Motions/Votes:

As of now, there is no need to set a minimum attendance record to remain a voting member of the Committee.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Due Date
Re-send PDF of Parsons Brinckerhoff report to Committee	Alex Breinin	Already done
Notify Committee of date/location of PB presentation	Eleanor Militana	As possible

Agenda Item Finalize Public Outreach **Presenter** Jason

Summary of Discussion:

Rye Window Painting – Committee members and Suzanne will staff a table for NY Rising, contingent upon approval from the Rye Halloween committee (if no approval, can set up a table at the Farmer’s Market). Sasaki will provide tri-fold handouts with information on NY Rising, as well as flyers advertising the date, time, location, and discussion topic for Public Engagement Event #3

Public Engagement 3 – This meeting will be run like an open house, with boards describing the priority and featured projects. Attendees will be given “passports” to provide feedback on each project they “visit” during the meeting. A survey monkey will also be created so people can give feedback

Media Outlets – Media Flyer advertising Public Engagement Event #3 to be sent to The Rye Record (biweekly), Rye Daily Voice (every ~10 days), and Rye City Review (weekly).

City Council Presentation – Quick presentation on the Agenda with one slide advertising the process and Public Engagement Event #3. To run on RCTV on loop.

School Board Presentation – Quick presentation at the School Board meeting on 10/21, with one slide advertising the process and Public Engagement Event #3. To run on RCTV on loop.

Decisions/Motions/Votes:

Birgit and Bernie will take turns staffing the NY Rising table at Rye Window Painting event with Suzanne, other Committee members to drop by.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Due Date
Send media flyers and brochures to Suzanne	Julia	10/18
Send Media Flyer to Eleanor for publication	Suzanne	As possible
Make slide for RCTV	Julia & Sasaki	10/17
Send slide to RCTV	Suzanne & Eleanor	As possible

Agenda Item	Mitigated Risk Assessment	Presenter	Julia
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Summary of Discussion:

The mitigated risk assessment process evaluates the changes in the vulnerability and exposure scores to each asset after a particular project is implemented. This is not an iterative process, but the result of the Risk Reduction tool developed by NY Rising. Indirect benefits or hazards associated with projects are not accounted for in this process, so after design or engineering is complete, a more comprehensive analysis will need to be done.

Decisions/Motions/Votes:

N/A

Action Items	Person Responsible	Due Date
N/A		

Agenda Item	Projects, Programs, Actions	Presenter	Julia
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Summary of Discussion:

List of projects, programs, and actions was further refined. The Committee stated that the \$3 million ought not be spent on projects that would normally be funded by the City.

Bury, Stabilize Power Lines: Steve Otis noted that ConEdison is generating a 4-year storm resilience upgrade plan, which will increase the system’s resilience through specific capital improvements. He suggested that the

Power Lines project should become an action for the City to prioritize roads for improvements that ConEdison will make.

Form Watershed/Green Infrastructure: Cedar/Highland parking lot could be made permeable, and create relief from flooding, rather than stress.

Enrich and Expand Wetlands/Open Space: Wetlands around the Nature Center and School Campus are part of one parcel, which could be incorporated into a project with a new Nature Center entrance and water retention modifications to the school fields.

Decision/Motions/Votes:

N/A

Action Items	Person Responsible	Due Date
N/A		
