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Climate Change/Sea Level Rise Commission
Regular Meeting - Virtual
Tuesday November 16, 2021, at 5pm

CALL TO ORDER –Meeting opened the meeting at 5:02pm.

Present: Roy Myers, Andrew Thaler, Jon Clarke, Bill Boicourt, Dennis Glackin, Doug Rollow, Brent Jett, Communications Manager Kimberly Weller, and Zoning Officer Kymberly Kudla. One member of the public was present. John Marrah was absent.

Minutes

Member Thaler motioned to approve the October 14, 2021 minutes as submitted. Seconded by Member Rollow and carried on a vote of 6:0 in favor.

Items from CC/SLR Commission for discussion

Rauch Engineering Mill Street Estimate

Chairman Myers discussed his meeting with the Commissioners. He stated that he suggested the use of COVID funds to pay for the Mill street study however they said to use the funds allocated to the Sea Level Rise Commission and once those run out to come back before the COSM. Chairman Myers also stated that Debra Alms had commented about the issues with Cherry Street and Honeymoon Bridge so he suggested asking Rauch about a proposal for that area after Mill Street.

Grant Applications

Chairman Myers stated that the initial wording for each outcome has been completed. The COSM are also in favor and will sign a letter of support. Chairman Myers also commented on the letters of support we received from Talbot County. Member Glackin had a comment about a small change in the outcome 3 wording.

Member Thaler asked if we still had the application submitted for outcome 2 the first time. Ms. Kudla responded that the draft for the second application for outcome 2 was basically copied from the original application. Member Glackin commented on ensuring photos are included. Member Thaler stated he would like to expand on the outreach sections of the applications particularly for an educational sign that could include a scan code for people to use for additional information.

Member Boicourt commented on the tide gauge proposal and potential locations.

Discussion ensued on tide gauges including possibly putting in tide staffs. Chairman Myers requested Brent Jett attend the next meeting with suggestions for tide staffs and leveling them.

Chairman Myers reiterated that he would like to come up with a strategy for the end of Carpenter Street as done for the other areas. Member Glackin suggested after grants are submitted there will be time before we know the results to talk to the different businesses/public about plans for addressing sea level rise.

Discussion ensued on recent flood levels and creating an access link on town website for photos. No public comment. The meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

Minutes approved as submitted by 6-0 vote in favor on the 9th day of December 2021.

Roy Myers, Chairman