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**BALDWIN COUNTY
HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 23, 2020
BALDWIN COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
ROBERTSDALE, ALABAMA**

ATTENDANCE

Members present were: Danon Smith, Baldwin County EMA; Brandan Franklin, City of Gulf Shores Building Official; Rachel Keith, City of Foley EM Coordinator; Zach Hood, Baldwin County EMA Director; Eddie Harper, Baldwin County Building Official; Jessica Wade, Alabama Department of Public Health; Erik Cortinas, City of Fairhope Building Official; and Landon (Lannie) Smith, City of Orange Beach Building Official.

Guests present: Leslie Johnston, South Alabama Regional Planning Commission.

Brandan Franklin called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

OPENING COMMENTS

Brandan Franklin gave opening remarks. Included in the opening remarks, Brandan Franklin requested everyone continue to reach out and encourage fellow Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee Members to attend meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

Brandan Franklin asked Danon Smith to brief the Committee on the legal correspondence received from Lehe Planning, LLC' (Jim Lehe) regarding the 2015 Baldwin County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC) as "intellectual property" of Jim Lehe and Lehe Planning. Danon Smith read the correspondence to the Committee, which stated neither Baldwin County nor the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission (SARPC) could use or reproduce portions of the 2015 plan, which are "intellectual property" of Lehe Planning. Danon Smith pointed out to the Committee an excerpt (found on page 3 of the agreement between he Baldwin County Commission and Lehe Planning, LLC) from the terms of Baldwin County's agreement for consulting services to work on the 2015 Hazard Mitigation planning Committee that indicates Baldwin County has a right to reproduce, use, and share the plan and its content as part of continued mitigation activities and planning; and this indicates there should not be an issue with sharing materials with SARPC. Danon Smith advised she has

forwarded the agreement, correspondence, and information to the Baldwin County Attorney for review and consideration. Danon Smith introduced Lesley Johnston with the SARPC to the Baldwin County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee, who was present as a guest to provide information on the regional mitigation planning process.

Brandan Franklin proposed taking nominations via email (sent to Danon Smith to fill two (2) vacant positions on the Executive Committee of the Baldwin County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee. Brandan Franklin proposed filing the vacancies via vote at the February 20, 2020 Full Body HMPC Meeting.

Motion by Erik Cortinas seconded by Lannie Smith to approve the proposed process to take nominations and fill the Executive Committee vacancies (2) at 10:49 a.m.

Ayes: 8

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTION PASSED

NEW BUSINESS

Danon Smith introduced Lesley Johnston with the SARPC to the Baldwin County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee. Lesley advised SARPC is still working out the details on the plan update process for the SARPC planning Region, and the Alabama Tombigbee Planning Commission areas, and how the collaborative process will work. SARPC is planning to attend HMPC meetings in Baldwin County.

Danon Smith discussed the Hazard Mitigation Plan review and approval process with Alabama EMA and FEMA, to include requests for information, approvals and adoptions. HMPC members present concluded that to meet the revision deadline and avoid the current plan's expiration, the 2020 Plan revision will need to be completed by January of 2021. This will give time for both AEMA and FEMA's review and approval, and the adoption process for the jurisdictions in Baldwin County.

Motion by Lannie Smith, seconded by Erik Cortinas to approve the results of the election and vote for new Officers and Executive Committee Members.

Ayes: 8

No: 0

Abstain: 0

MOTION PASSED

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

Minutes for this meeting approved during the February 20, 2020 meeting of the Baldwin County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee.


Chairperson Brandan Franklin


Date