

**SUMMARY NOTES OF THE APRIL 27, 2023 VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE
MILWAUKEE COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE
LOCAL PLANNING TEAM**

INTRODUCTION

The April 27, 2023, kickoff meeting of the Milwaukee County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update for the Local Planning Team (LPT) was convened via the GoToMeeting online platform at 1:02 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Paul Riegel, Director for Milwaukee County's Emergency Management Division, Office of Emergency Management (OEM). Attendance was noted by SEWRPC staff and the GoToMeeting participant listing.

In attendance at the meeting were the following individuals:

Local Planning Team Members

Megan Shedivy, Secretary	Planner, SEWRPC
Eric Cera	Chief of Police, Village of Hales Corners
Susan Coyle	Senior Project Manager, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District
Natalie Czarkowski	Office of Emergency Management, Milwaukee County
Patrick Elliot	Senior Project Manager, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District
Mark Ferguson	Chief of Police, City of Glendale
Christopher Freedy	Chief of Police, Village of Fox Point
Anthony Henner	Police Lieutenant, Village of Hales Corners
Laura Herrick, P.E.	Chief Environmental Engineer, SEWRPC
Kenten Kais	Fire Chief, Village of Greendale
Michael Kressuk	Fire Chief, City of Oak Creek
Tammy LaBorde	Village Manager, Village of River Hills
John Litchford	Fire Chief, City of South Milwaukee
Barry Mitchell	Office of Emergency Management, Milwaukee County
Patrick Pauly, P.E.	Superintendent, Milwaukee Water Works
Andy Pederson	Village Manager, Village of Bayside
Justin Piper	Battalion Chief, City of Cudahy Fire Department
Adam Remington	Fire Chief, Village of Franklin
Phil Reimer	Risk Manager, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District
Paul Riegel	Director, Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management
Tim Salamon	Office of Emergency Management, Milwaukee County
Eduardo Santiago	Office of Emergency Management, Milwaukee County
Erick Shambarger	Director of Environmental Sustainability, City of Milwaukee
Dave Stabbe	Battalion Chief, City of Greenfield Fire Department
Zac Swingen	Office of Emergency Management, City of Milwaukee
Patrick Whitaker	Chief of Police, Village of Whitefish Bay

Ms. Laura Herrick welcomed all attendees to the first Local Planning Team meeting for the Milwaukee County hazard mitigation plan update (Plan). Ms. Herrick began the meeting with a brief explanation of features of the GoToMeeting platform and then handed the meeting over to Ms. Shedivy who again welcomed attendees, thanked them for their participation, and briefly explained the meeting agenda.

OVERVIEW OF HAZARD MITIGATION AND HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING PROCESS

Ms. Shedivy presented an overview of hazard mitigation, why it is important, and examples of hazard mitigation measures. With no questions or comments regarding this discussion, Ms. Shedivy went on to explain hazard mitigation planning at the local level and the requirements needed for Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) and Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) approval. FEMA approval and Plan adoption by the communities will make federal funding options available for hazard mitigation projects. No questions or comments were given by the LPT during this discussion.

BACKGROUND ON DEVELOPMENT OF THE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

Ms. Shedivy continued with a brief background on the City of Milwaukee's and Milwaukee County's previous hazard mitigation plans, their main components, and the planning process that took place before the plans were approved. Ms. Shedivy then introduced material related to the hazard mitigation plan update, including the efforts of combining both the City and County's previous planning efforts into this unified plan update. She also noted that this plan will focus on natural weather hazards only. She then went on to explain the plan update components and chapters and the role of the LPT during the plan updating process. No comments or questions were provided by the LPT for the plan update components or process.

HAZARD AND VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT EXERCISE

Ms. Shedivy stated that as part of the hazard and vulnerability analysis for this plan update, it will be necessary to determine which natural hazards to continue to include in the plan update. She briefly mentioned that the hazard and vulnerability assessment survey is available online or by using a QR code for mobile phone devices. Ms. Shedivy noted that a link and QR code for the hazard and vulnerability assessment exercise and instructions are included with the agenda as well as on the presentation slide. Ms. Shedivy indicated that the deadline for submitting the survey is May 10, 2023. At the end of the survey the LPT is asked to provide recent hazard mitigation-related projects, by jurisdiction, that have been completed or in the process of being completed since the previous plans was finalized.

Ms. Shedivy explained that the results of this survey would help reassess the natural weather hazards and their impacts within the County and its communities, and which will be addressed in this hazard mitigation plan update.

AFTER MEETING DISCUSSIONS

After the meeting, Mr. Erick Schamberger asked if we should add a short section to the Plan on how to take advantage of FEMA funding for community projects. He felt that Milwaukee County sending out information to the communities may not be sufficient or getting to the right individual(s). Ms. Herrick acknowledged his remark and noted that perhaps this would be an email list of public works and planning staff in each community for Mr. Riegel to use and send out.

Mr. Eduardo Santiago asked Mr. Riegel if the County Risk Management Office should or is involved with this planning effort. Mr. Riegel indicated that he would discuss this effort with them to see if they would be interested.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

EMAIL CORRESPONDANCE FOLLOWING THE MEETING

It should be noted that the GoToMeeting platform got disconnected several times during the beginning portion of the meeting. Mr. Riegel offered to host the remainder of the meeting using Microsoft Teams. Because of the GoToMeeting interruptions, some attendees may have had trouble logging back onto the meeting or missed portions of the presentation. As such, Mr. Riegel sent out a follow up email for the LPT informing the members that the meeting material (agenda, minutes, presentation, and draft documents) were available on SEWRPC's website (www.sewrpc.org/hmp) and to contact either Ms. Shedivy or himself for any questions or comments regarding information related to the kickoff meeting. The email also reminded the LPT to complete the online hazard and vulnerability assessment survey as well as to share with staff if they were representing an LPT member at the meeting.

Additionally, Ms. Shedivy received an email on May 1, 2023, from Mr. Dave Stabbe, Battalion Chief for the Greenfield Fire Department, stating that he will be the Local Planning Team representative for the City of Greenfield during this plan updating process.

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