

VoM FMAC – Minutes – 10/24/2023 - Approved

1. **Present – Gelber, Spatz, Finch, Glener, Rubin, Camarda, Triffiletti, Trustee Yizar-Reid**
 - a. **Guests - Residents and County Legislator Parker**
2. **Kate Dehais of the VoM CFTE discussed Highway Runoff from I 95**
 - a. Large volumes of water due to the thousands of SF of impervious surfaces
 - b. Construction of I 95 blocks the natural flows from the upper spaces to the floodplains and then into the Rivers
 - c. Gedney Pond is a detention/retention storage pond and had operable valves at one point
 - d. FMAC
 - e. supports the ongoing effort to get the NY Thruway Authority to:
 - i. Control the Highway runoff as NYTA has done in other areas including Port Chester
 - ii. Removing the dirt pile in Mamaroneck
 - iii. Installing silt fences around the dirt pile asap
 - f. FMAC supports the VoM
 - i. in conducting meetings with NYTA, sending letters as follow ups
 - ii. in obtaining funding for an SLR 2 to study the amounts of SW runoff from I95 and the Hutch and outline options for mitigation of the stormwaters
3. **Funding Updates**
 - a. **Legislator Parker** informed All that the VoM had submitted a \$150,000 request for funding for the studies requested by FMAC. New County budget should be out in Nov 2023
 - i. Funding cannot be used for VoM salaried employees
4. **Beaver Brook Area Residents**
 - a. Concerned about
 - i. development in Harrison and White Plains, upstream, which most likely will increase flooding in Mamaroneck
 - ii. VoM has asked to be an informed community, is there any progress on this?
 - iii. Watershed study of the Beaver Brook
 1. Gelber informed All that SLR Engineers are slated to study Beaver Brook Watershed for Flood Mitigation
 2. Legislator Parker informed All that Supervisor Gary Zuckerman had reached out and is concerned with add'l stormwater flows due to development
 - iv. Is there a 'River Maintenance Program? Large trees and vegetation are on the Beaver Brook edge, and river walls are falling down. Residents yards get flooded and erosion occurs
5. **Guests again expressed desire for:**
 - a. Face to face monthly meetings with Mayor & BoT focused on flood mitigation only
 - b. Hiring a fulltime 'Flood Coordinator'
6. **USACE Updates**
 - a. Meeting held on Oct 20, 2023 between VoM, ACE, County, Yizar-Reid & Gelber among others
 - b. Gelber attended via phone, and had to leave early. Gelber heard good news & bad news:
 - i. ACE do not think shovel in the ground until 2025
 - ii. ACE will allow VoM to start parts of the project and reimburse funding as long as:
 1. Signed Agreement is reached between VoM, ACE, NYS, County
 2. VoM follows ACE design recommendations
 - iii. Areas that might start:
 1. Walk Bridges
 2. Open channel vs. Tunnel at Columbus Park – VoM to hire engineer to perform a Hydrology & Hydraulic study – if open channel flow = Tunnel flow – ok to go with open channel
 - iv. ACE will be updating the Project Cost estimate asap as construction prices have increased.
7. **Meeting adjourned.**