

HAZARD PREVENTION SUB-COMMITTEE
June 5, 2003

Ms. Merlitti called the meeting for the Hazard Prevention Sub-Committee to order at 11:08 a.m.

MINUTES

Mr. Palagyi made a motion to accept the May 21, 2003 minutes, as mailed; Ms. Robinson-Wyatt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

RECOMMEND PROJECTS

Ms. Merlitti stated today's meeting would include discussion pertaining to projects that would be included in the first edition of the Action Plan.

Ms. Merlitti indicated the Hazard Prevention Plan would be reviewed annually.

Ms. Merlitti requested the sub-committee break up into two groups to discuss and prioritize the project applications.

REVIEW ACTION PLAN

After a lengthy discussion period, the sub-committee reconvened for the remainder of the meeting.

Ms. Merlitti stated the alert radio project had a final score of 25. She asked if there were any questions or comments.

Mr. Ritter suggested the scoring sheet have a line to indicate the project title so that scores and project titles correspond accurately.

Ms. Merlitti stated the Natural Resources Education Outreach program had a final score of 18 out of 25 points. She asked if anyone had any questions or comments regarding this result.

Mr. Hadley commented sometimes a team might score a future project differently.

Ms. Merlitti inquired if Mr. Hadley was suggesting a small group should review the projects all at once.

Mr. Hadley responded if this scoring were to be done by another group, it would make it easier if they received project applications for review prior to the scoring process.

Ms. Merlitti stated the process would include, but not be limited to, sending out the packet and requiring potential applicants to attend a workshop pertaining to completing the application.

Mr. Ritter stated in order to stay consistent, introductory questions should be placed before scoring questions on the application. He indicated question numbers 3 and 9 should pertain to the timeline of the project.

Mr. White commented Mr. Ritter's suggestion would assist in helping the evaluation team understand the proposed project.

Ms. Merlitti stated the Comprehensive Plan was given 17 out of 25 total points.

Mr. Hadley commented it is harder to rate a plan if it is not developed and written in a broader spectrum. It is difficult to comprehend a plan that is narrowed down with a specific end result, which covers one and only one specific goal.

Ms. Merlitti commented when the State reviews these applications; they would be broken down into the smallest component possible. (i.e. bricks and mortar, vs. plans, etc.)

Ms. Merlitti stated the project for floodplains received 20 out of 25 points and the landslide study project received 14 out of 25 points.

Ms. Robinson-Wyatt made a motion to accept the Action Plan priority projects; Ms. DeChant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

REVIEW POTENTIAL PROJECTS

Ms. Merlitti distributed and briefly reviewed copies of a summary that details the proposed projects as submitted by the communities within Summit County. The biggest item, on this summary dealing with mitigation, came from communities that have their own water system, i.e. Akron, Cuyahoga Falls. These communities applied for funding to secure their locations. All of these types of requests were forwarded to the Akron/Summit County Domestic Preparedness Task Force for review.

Ms. Robinson-Wyatt inquired if each community had an emergency management specialist to complete the information necessary to create the summary.

Ms. Merlitti replied the applications were submitted to the elected official (zoning, engineering, etc.) of each community. There is no one emergency management specialist for each community.

Ms. Merlitti stated if the sub-committee members have any further questions or have an idea for a contact person, who would be helpful in answering questions for the proposed projects, please feel free to contact her at Summit County Emergency Management Agency, (330) 643-2558.

Ms. DeChant made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Ritter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Summit County Hazard Prevention Sub-Committee meeting on June 5, 2003 was attended by:

Tina Merlitti	Summit County Emergency Management Agency
Dave White	Summit County Engineer's Office
Dave Ritter	Summit County Soil and Water Conservation District
Joe Hadley	NEFCO
Susan DeChant	Summit County Department of Economic Development
Edrice Wyatt	OSU Extension
John Palagy	AMATS
Dave Tiller	Summit County Department of Building Standards
Caroline Terakedis	Summit County Health Department