

**HYDE PARK
TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION**

Virtual meeting
**MEETING MINUTES
September 08, 2020**

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Members Present: None
Members Virtual: Bob Malbon, Eric Williams, Vicki Emerson
Members Absent: Brian Jones, Zac Cota
Others Virtual: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator; Lea Kilvadyova, LCPC Planner
Guests: GMAVT did not videotape this meeting. LCPC hosted this virtual meeting.

Bob opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

1. **Welcome** and no public comment
2. **Minutes:** Deferred.
3. **Draft Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020-2025:** Lea reviewed the staff progress on updating the 2015-2020 Plan which is under a tight timeframe to get to FEMA for review. The Commission worked on the risk assessments matrix which shows the current plan's hazards list and adds four to the list per FEMA guidance, required for new plans; Invasive Species, Infectious Disease, Extreme Heat and Extreme Cold. The Commission agreed that Infectious Disease should be recognized in the action plan, but the other three are not yet of high priority to be addressed with an action item. Ron reviewed the action items to address the identified risks with estimated completion years ranging from 2020 to 2025, adding one item to ask the school district to add generators to the two schools which are also identified as town shelter locations. Ron and Lea will work on a new complete draft of the 2020-2025 Plan to present for public review and let the Commission know the timing of next steps. Eric asked about the costs and necessity to complete all action items, and Lea responded that the action items were goals and not mandates. Costs are not known for each action item because the specific details and steps are not developed for goals. Lea pointed out that many action items in the current plan were not completed. A goal of less than 60 days to get the new draft to FEMA for review was offered as the current Plan expires in November.
4. **Old & New Business:**
 - a. Bob reported that he has reached out to Commissioner Cota several times, as has the Town Administrator, with no response from Zac regarding his level of interest in continuing to serve. Bob noted that Zac has missed more than 25% of commission meetings in the past year. Ron advised that the per the Planning Commission Rules of Procedure and state law, the Selectboard makes the decision on removing a member. The Commission felt meeting attendance was important to facilitate good discussions and decisions. Motion by Vicki to make a recommendation to the Selectboard that they remove Zac Cota from the Commission and advertise for a new member as soon as possible. Seconded by Eric. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
5. **Adjourn:** Motion by Vicki to adjourn at 7:10 p.m., seconded by Eric, so adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Ron Rodjenski