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Press Release

WAVERLY HAZARD MITIGATION KICK-OFF PLANNING SESSION

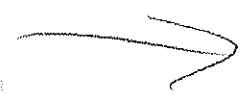
The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recently awarded the City of Waverly a Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant. Funds will be used to revise the current Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was adopted in 2003. The purpose of the plan is two fold. The plan is a federal requisite to remain eligible for other mitigation grant programs offered by FEMA. FEMA mandates the plan be updated every five years. Second, the plan is designed to create hazard mitigation strategies which can reduce negative impacts caused by natural and man-made hazards within the city.

The first meeting will review the purpose and benefits of the plan, explore historical data, set broad goals for the plan, and determine the next meeting date. The first meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on August 19, 2008 in the Civic Center/City Hall, 200 First St. NE, Waverly, Iowa 50677.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Adam at INRCOG, (319)235-0311 or Waverly City Clerk Jo Ellen Rapp, 319-352-9211.

Sign In Sheet

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Title</u>
1. Luvenia Abens	910 1 st St. S.E.	On the task force.
2. MARY MEYER	315 2 ND ST NW	" " " "
3. Deb Turnbull	123 5 th St. NW	" " " "
4. Betsy Morrison	316 6 th Ave. SE	" " "
5. Aaron Betts	415 E Bremer Ave	Deputy Assessor
6. Susan Cornforth	701 3 rd Ave	on task force
7. Betty Struck	310 5 th Ave S.W.	
8. Chuck Struck	" " " "	
9. Chris Tynbott	103 16 th Ave SW	on task force
10. Steve Est	918 6 th St NW	on task force
11. Jon Keiser	413 1 ST SE	
12. Kip Ladage	111 4 th St NE	Bremer EMTA
13. Lynn Brose	415 E. Bremer Waverly	C. Auditor
14. Gene Lieb	1211 18 th Ave SE	Council member
15. Stanley Wise	217 2 nd St. NW	
16. Linda Schrage	215 2nd St SW	on task force
17. CHINT SCHRAGE	" " " "	
18. TRACY RUCKER	417 2 ND ST SE	TASK FORCE
19. Penni Pier	222 4 th Ave SE	TASK FORCE
20 Karen Heinselman	Courier	



NAME

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21. Delores Bourke	114 5 th Ave. N.W.	
22. Kaye Sadler	109 5 th Ave. S.W.	
23. Bill Schmidt	721 8 th Ave NW.	
24. Gary Burke	1307 Park Ave	ON Task Force
25. PATTY KAISER	413 1 st ST SE	
26. Duane Hiddle	1406 4 th ST SE	Council at large
27. Jeff Smith	1111 3 rd ST SE	Task Force
28. Kris Brunthorst	413 10 th St. NE	Citizen
29. Richard Tursell	1114 th ST NE	City Employee
30. Tab Ray	PO Box 616	City Employee
31. Dan Kittle	805 W. Bremer	Task Force / BCRC
32. Gary Booran	309 3 rd Ave NE	Council Member
33. Mike Cherry	City Hall	City Engineer
34. Marty Parry	403 4 th ST NW	Citizen
35. Dick Craque	City Hall	C.A.
36. Renee Sedlacek	1305 Wilson Ave.	BCRC
37. Alan Dasher	708 4 th ST SE	Home Owner
38. David & Corole DeSotel	421 4 th ST NW	Home owner
39. Dennis Hoppel		Fire Chief
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Waverly HMP Planning Session #1

200 First Street NE

Waverly, IA 50677

Minutes

August 19, 2008

The Hazard Mitigation Kick-off Meeting was called to order by INRCOG Planning Director Brian Schoon at 7:00 p.m.

Hazard Mitigation Task Force members in attendance included: Luvina Hoins, Susan Cornforth, Chris Tripliatt, Steve Egli, Linda Shragel, Gary Burke, Jeff Soash, Dan Kittle, Deb Turnball, Mary Meyer, Betsy Morrison, Tracy Rucker, Marty Perry, Linda Shrage, Penni Pier, Kris Brunkhorst & Jim Carpenter.

City and county officials in attendance included: Council members Gene Lieb, Duane Liddle and Gary Boorum, City Employees Tab Ray and Richard Pursell, City Administrator Dick Crayne, City Engineer Mike Cherry, Fire Chief Dennis Hapel, BCRC member Renee Sedlacek, Deputy Assessor Aron Betts, Bremer County EMA Kip Ladage, County Auditor Lynn Brase.

Citizens attending the meeting included: Darol and Carol De Sotel, Delores Bourke, Kay Sadler, B.J. Schmidt, Patty Kaiser, Betty Struck, Chuck Struck, Clint Shrage and Karen Heinselman.

Also in attendance were Brian Schoon and Adam Roberts both INRCOG representatives.

City Administrator Dick Crayne introduced INRCOG representatives Brian Schoon and Adam Roberts.

Brian Schoon then opened the meeting with an introduction of the Waverly HMP task force committee.

Schoon provided a brief overview of the purpose behind the Hazard Mitigation Plan. He also reviewed each aspect of the meeting agenda. Schoon then explained the tentative agenda for future HMP planning sessions. He commented the agenda provided an eight meeting layout, but the plan would likely be completed in four to five sessions.

Adam Roberts addressed the committee on what a Hazard Mitigation Plan is and its purpose. He explained the definition of mitigation and how it relates to hazards in the City of Waverly. Roberts commented the HMP's purpose is two-fold, which is to become eligible for FEMA mitigation grant funding and more importantly to reduce negative impacts and the county's vulnerability to natural and man-made hazards.

Roberts then provided the committee with an understanding of Hazard Analysis and Risk Assessment. He informed the committee they would be identifying hazards later in the meeting and then ranking them based off of several criteria for the next meeting. The

criterion included: historical occurrence, probability, vulnerability, maximum threat, severity of impact and speed of onset.

Roberts then reviewed Waverly Community Profile. He commented the profile was one of several elements included in the plan. Roberts gathered this information prior to the kick-off meeting. He explained that he wanted to review this material with the committee to gather any suggestions or missing elements. The Community Profile included areas such as: geographical features, the history of Waverly, transportation features, population and housing data in addition to various other aspects of Waverly. .

Roberts moved to item five on the agenda which was identifying potential hazards in the county. He asked the committee to please provide any comments and/or suggestions at this time. Brian Schoon then began to review each hazard one by one. He informed the committee there are twenty-three potential hazards, but some may not apply. Schoon explained the list of hazards is a nation wide list. Therefore some hazards may not occur in the City of Waverly, Iowa. He also acknowledged the three new hazards added to the list in 2007, which were grass or wildland fires, levee failure, and expansive soils. Each hazard was reviewed. Committee members made several comments in relation to how they felt each hazard applied to the county. Committee members also commented about historical occurrences of various hazards from recent decades that had occurred in the city of Waverly. Roberts made note of these comments and informed the committee he would include them in the plan.

Schoon then explained how each hazard should be ranked. He reviewed the scoring table and scoring key with the committee members. Schoon then asked committee members to rank each hazard based off the criterion and bring these scoring sheets to the next meeting. He informed the committee the next session we will begin with a brief overview of the first meeting and then move right into ranking of the hazards. He also suggested to the committee they should begin thinking of potential mitigation strategies as they relate to each individual hazard.

The second meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adam Roberts
Housing Planner

- PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA-

Waverly Hazard Mitigation Plan Meeting #2

Date: September 16, 2008
Time: 7:00 P.M
Place: Civic Center/City Hall
200 First St. NE
Waverly, IA 50677

1. Review and Approval of Kick-off Meeting Minutes
2. Review Agenda
3. Select & Rank Hazards
4. Determine Goals and Objectives
5. Introduce & Discuss Potential Mitigation Activities
6. Assign Homework
7. Set Next Meeting Date and Time
8. Adjourn

THIS IS A PUBLIC MEETING

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ARE INVITED TO
ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING**