

**Coastal Resilience Advisory Committee  
Tuesday, March 9, 2021  
Via Video Conference and Recorded**

**Members Present:** Mary Longacre, Fritz McClure, Sarah Bois, Graeme Durovich, Gary Beller, Matt Fee, Ian Golding, Jen Karberg and Peter Brace.

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Vince Murphy

**Consultants Present:** None

**Speakers:** Rob McNeil and Kimberly Rose

**Meeting recording:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LyH Ao2DU5lw>

**Zoom Chat**

10:15:40 From Kimberly Rose to Everyone :

<https://www.envisionresilience.org/speaker-series>

10:16:05 From Kimberly Rose to Everyone :

<https://www.envisionresilience.org/resources>

10:16:47 From Kimberly Rose to Everyone : <https://www.mbrisingabove.com/>

**CALL TO ORDER.**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM. Roll Call made.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Unanimously approved and Covid Announcements were made by Chair.

The meeting was recorded and recording is available on the Town's YouTube channel.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Minutes for February 9 and February 23 were approved with minor corrections.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

The announcements of future meetings and forums are listed in the Agenda.

Committee members who plan to attend any of the events were ask to inform Vince.

**AGENDA ITEMS.**

**1. Envision Resilience Nantucket Challenge - Kimberly Rose of ACKlimate.**

Each program lasts two hours on Wednesday evening. Recent programs addressed the City of Miami's resilience efforts and a presentation of National Park Service guidelines for historic buildings.

**2. Planning Update from Rob McNeil, Director of the DPW.**

Rob described water quality and flooding issues for Madaket Harbor/Long Pond Estuary, and Madaket bridges and culverts on North Cambridge Street and Madaket Road. A copy of his power point presentation is included in this link <https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24250/Madaket-Culverts-Evaluation---March-2019->

**Presentation** The DPW is working with Fuss and O'Neill, consultants from Woods Hole. He applied for several grants to contribute to cost of remediation. None awarded, but Rob hopes for funding at a later date. There are many agencies with overlapping jurisdiction who would need to be involved in any remediation. A meeting of the parties is being scheduled in the near future.

**Question:** J. Karberg ask if replacement of the bridges and culverts is contemplated.

**Answer:** Certain an option to be considered.

**Question:** J. Karberg ask consideration will be given to restoration of Madaket ditch as opposed to dredging.

**Answer:** Not being considered currently. but open to discussion of this alternative.

**Question:** J. Karberg ask about Polpis Road culverts.

**Answer:** DPW is trimming out vegetation near culverts to increase the water flow.

**Question:** F. McClure ask about roadway at Folger's Pond and Sesachacha Pond.

**Answer:** DPW contemplates elevated causeway eventually to mitigate sea level rise and flooding and also use of wave attenuators in the ponds.

**Question:** D. Anne Atherton ask if Arcadis was involved in the Fuss and O'Neill study.

**Answer:** No, but they are aware of the study. The Fuss and O'Neill Report was already in progress before Arcadis began its work.

**Additional Comment:** M. Fee mentioned that the Select Board is discussing the future of the landfill over next 50 years.

### **3. Update on Transportation Improvement Plan funding - V. Murphy.**

He spoke to Rob McNeil and Andrew Vorce. NP&EDC will not be able to move forward with this funding this year due to lack of staff at PLUS.

### **4. Review of Final Draft of Homeowner's Brochure.**

Brief discussion and upon motion made and seconded the brochure was approved unanimously. The Committee discussed how to disseminate the information. Vince Murphy said that there was a small budget to print a few hundred copies of the brochure. Other suggestions were:

- email to stakeholders
- make available at meetings
- include links in social media
- booth at Annual Town Meeting and other Fall events
- inclusion in Town mailings

### **5. Demonstration of "Virtual Meeting Toolkit" for Coastal Resilience Plan - V. Murphy.**

Link to Virtual Meeting Toolkit. <https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/2033/Get-Involved>The Toolkit is available in Spanish language.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT.**

Liz Trillos suggested making presentations to church communities because many island working families do not have the time to attend meetings.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS.**

**Conservation Commission.** Ian Golding mentioned that there will be an open seat on the Conservation Commission this year.

**Select Board.** Matt Fee mentioned that there have been additional discussions with Arcadis about the Baxter Road contract and that Vince Murphy will be involved in that project.

## **NEW BUSINESS.**

Sarah Bois mentioned the Land Bank's recommendations to the Select Board.

**D. Anne Atherton mentioned that the Land Bank had hired a Woods Hole group to develop a coastal resilience plan for its properties and hoped that the Land Bank will coordinate with this Committee.**

**ADJOURNMENT.**

**The meeting adjourned at 12:06 PM.**