



TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK  
**Planning Commission**  
**NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION COMMITTEE**

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**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 2:00-3:30 P.M.**  
302 Main Street  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.

II. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Bob Missel, Planning Commission; John Talbott, Zoning Commission; Janis Esty, Planning Commission; Cathy Flanagan, Planning Commission; Thomas Stevenson, Board of Finance; Steven Gernhardt, Board of Selectmen

Absent: Jerry Brophy, Conservation Commission

Staff: Christine Nelson, Town Planner; Jay Northrup, Planner, CRERPA; Sandy Prisloe, Environmental Planner

III. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

A. **Minutes**

**MOTION** to accept the minutes from meeting 12/14/2011; **MADE** by J. Talbott; **SECONDED** by J. Esty; **APPROVED** by R. Missel, J. Talbott, J. Esty, C. Flanagan, S. Gernhardt, T. Stevenson. **(6-0-0)**.

B. **Correspondence**

Mr. Northrup stated that a Letter of Intent would need to be filed by the Selectmen Office by 1/13/2012 if the Mitigation Plan were ready to be adopted. The letter will not be submitted since it not likely that the plan will be completed by then.

C. **Staff Reports**

Ms. Nelson spoke with Adam Whelchel from The Nature Conservancy last week. He sent his regrets that he is unable to attend this meeting.

IV. **INVENTORY**

Mr. Prisloe met with Larry Bonin, of Public Works, and Don Dobson, Fire Marshal, to add more inventory items to the Critical Structures list, including hazardous materials that were identified within the Town.

Mr. Northrup recommended that a summary of the mitigation table be expanded in the Mitigation Plan so that the highest priority items would be highlighted. He mentioned that it is best to include all intended future projects, regardless of time frame, involving natural hazard mitigation so that they could potentially receive grant funding.

V. **MITIGATION ANALYSIS**

A. **Study Impacts on Social Demographics & Cultural Characteristics**

Mr. Prisloe provided scenarios with the tool on the website [coastalresilience.org](http://coastalresilience.org) that had been previously demonstrated by Adam Whelchel. The Committee examined potential flooding impacts on subsets of Town residents and discussed mitigation points.

VI. **PLAN REVIEW**

VII. **IMPLEMENTATION**

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

<p><b>MOTION</b> to adjourn at 3:35 p.m. to a special meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 2:00 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, 302 Main Street; <b>MADE</b> by J. Esty; <b>SECONDED</b> by J. Talbott; <b>APPROVED</b> by R. Missel, J. Esty, C. Flanagan, J. Talbott, S. Gernhardt, T. Stevenson. <b>(6-0-0)</b>.</p>
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Respectfully submitted,

Susan Graham  
Administrative Clerk