

Flood Mitigation Working Group

Meeting Notes of June 12, 2006

Members Present: Council Member, Peter Breen, Wayne Cooper, Glenn Dearth, Nicholas Johnson, Richard Stutsman.

Members Absent: Reinhard Ludke

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Report on meeting of the Ross Valley Flood Mitigation League:** Bob Lewis reported that there was a hodge podge of items discussed. The major issues were the tagging of maximum water surface elevations for the 2005 flood. The League has had tags made up and their committee will be canvassing the neighborhoods, identifying water levels and attaching the tags.
3. **Report on meeting of the Ross Valley Watershed Technical Working Group Meeting:** Stutsman reported that the County will be beginning surveying San Anselmo Creek in the next few weeks for input data into the hydraulic computer model. There are insufficient moneys available right now for a complete survey; i.e. complete length and area above the creek banks.
4. **Report on meeting of the Ross Valley Financial Working Group Meeting:** Debbie Stutsman reported that a public opinion poll will be conducted in the Ross Valley to assess voter support for a benefit assessment district to fund watershed improvements, with the idea of going forward with a measure in the spring.
5. **Pre-Creek Walk Discussion:** Each of the committee members was asked to summarize what they expected to see resolved as a result of debris removal in the creek. The general consensus was that even if the all the debris and vegetation were removed from the creek and creek restrictions were removed, the flooding problems would not be resolved. Only frequency of flooding and height of flooding would be reduced.

Stutsman agreed to revise Reinhard's draft Creek Inspection form for use on restriction inspection issues, and also increase line space on the previously submitted creek walk inspection form.

6. **Committee requests for future agenda items, questions and comments to staff, staff miscellaneous items:** Main item for the next meeting is the Creek Walk data to be prepared by Richard Stutsman.
7. **Committee request for future agenda items, questions and comments:** Only creek walk on next agenda.
8. **Open time for public expression:** No one spoke during this time.

9. **Next meeting date:** July 10, 2006.

10. **Adjournment:** The meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Dick Stutsman
Acting Secretary