

New Ashford Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Public Meeting
Core Team Meeting/Public Meeting
New Ashford Town Hall/Zoom
August 29, 2022

Present: Jason Jayko, Ken McInerney, Mark Phelps, Richard George, Susan Supranowicz, Lori Jayko, Keith Lacasse
Zoom: Rob Polsinelli, Doreen DeFazio

1. Call to Order: 6:01
2. Public Meeting Review of HMP Findings: CMC presented a process review of the grant and procurement process. They will make a combined HMP and MVP report that will designate the town as an MVP community, which will allow the town to be eligible for more grants. We will define the top local hazards, strengths, and vulnerabilities and develop a priority action list at the workshops. We will talk about what weather related hazards impact people, buildings, organizations, and infrastructure.
3. Risk Assessment: The critical facilities in town include the Town Hall, Town Data Center, Fire Station, Salt Shed, and Cell Tower. Police, ambulances, shelters in town, and generators are also considerations. Town Hall and the Fire Station are the designated shelters.
4. Workshop Updates: The workshop invitation requirements have been met for MEMA – CMC reached out to local communities, regional agencies, and sent out the workshop invitations. The public was involved via this meeting. A review and incorporation of existing plans is happening. Rob will resend the Hazard Index Survey. A survey will also be sent to town residents with a secondary survey option for more impacted populations.
5. Q & A: The workshops will be held September 9th-10th. CMC will assist in identifying and prioritizing mitigation actions for identified hazards. The core team and the public will review and comment on the draft plan. Then the Board will approve the final draft for submission to MEMA/EEA.
6. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:45