



**OSCEOLA COUNTY  
LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY WORKING GROUP**

**Quarterly Meeting**

**December 10, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.**

Osceola Heritage Park Events Center- St. Cloud Room A

1901 Chief Osceola Trail

Kissimmee, Florida 34744

Telephone Conference: 407-205-0551, Conference Code: 301797

**MEMBERSHIP**

**Emergency Management**

\*Bill Litton, Chairman

\*Richard Halquist (ALT)

\*Robin Hinson, LMS Coordinator

\*Noelia Rivera, Recording Secretary

**Osceola County Members**

Carlos Castro

Jose Santiago (ALT)

Susan Gosselin, Co-Vice Chairman

Linette Matheny (ALT)

Leslie Felix

Andrea Outing (ALT)

\*Jeremy Buchanon

\*Ray Stangle

\*Rick Baird

**City of Kissimmee Members**

Ashley Willis

Nagel Altrui (ALT)

Jeremy Donovan

Alex Santos (ALT)

John Hambley

Austin Blake (ALT)

**City of St. Cloud Members**

Cameron Crandell, Co-Vice Chairman

Dara Hennessey (ALT)

Kevin Felblinger

Mike Cortez (ALT)

Jamie DeMelo

Naseem Ghandour (ALT)

\*Leigh Anne Wachter

**The School District of Osceola County Members**

Rhonda Blake

Randy Shuttera (ALT)

\*Mike McFarland

\*Tom Phelps

**Not-For-Profit Members**

Pat Filippone, Osceola REDI

Blake Seaholm, Osceola REDI (ALT)

\*Mentha Antoine, American Red Cross

\*Ricardo Sanabria, American Red Cross

\*Mark Barglof, Good Samaritan Society

\*Javier Espinosa, Good Samaritan Society

**Private Business Sector Members**

John Porter, Osceola Engineering, Inc.

Broc Althafer, Osceola Engineering, Inc. (ALT)

\*David Hamstra, Pegasus Engineering, LLC

\*Leylah Saavedra, Pegasus Engineering, LLC (ALT)

**Public Representation**

William "Bill" Peterson, Citizen

**Other Representation (Non-Voting)**

\*Tanya Naylor, Reedy Creek Improvement District

\*Jai Wei, Reedy Creek Improvement District

\*Bill Graf, South Florida Water Management District

\*Abby Johnson, St. Johns River WMD

\*Dave Dickens, St. Johns River WMD

\*Renee Michel, University of Central Florida

**\*Denotes non-voting member**

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order**

*LMS Working Group Chairman, Bill Litton, called the meeting to order at 09:05. Mr. Litton then directed Robin Hinson, LMS Working Group Coordinator, to conduct a roll-call.*

**Attendance**

*Mr. Hinson led the introduction of the individuals attending in-person and with the assistance of Manny Cosme of Osceola County Information Technology, conducted a roll-call of the call-in attendees.*

**Approval of Agenda**

*Mr. Litton called for a motion regarding the approval of the agenda. Susan Gosselin made a motion to approve the agenda. John Porter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Approval of Minutes from September 10, 2020 LMS Working Group Quarterly Meeting**

*Mr. Litton called for a motion regarding the approval of the minutes from the September 10, 2020 LMS Working Group Quarterly Meeting. John Porter motioned to approve the minutes. Nagel Altrui seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Hear the Audience - Citizens wishing to address the LMS Working Group may do so at this time.**

*Mr. Litton noted that no requests to speak were submitted in advance of the meeting. Mr. Litton acknowledged call-in participant Bill Peterson, Osceola County citizen, and asked him for any comments. Mr. Peterson stated that he did not have any comments. Mr. Litton thanked him for his attendance. Mr. Hinson noted for record-keeping purposes that Nagel Altrui, LMS Working Group member, and Cameron Crandell, LMS Working Group Co-chair, joined the meeting in-person.*

**Discussion Items**

Mr. Litton directed Mr. Hinson to present on the discussion items identified in the agenda.

- LMS Working Group Membership Approval

Mr. Hinson asked for a motion regarding the approval of the LMS Working Group membership roster. John Porter motioned for approval of the membership roster. Cameron Crandell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Project Priority List Review and Approval
  - Project List Review and Project Updates
  - Project Priority List Approval

Mr. Hinson noted that no changes were made to the project priority list since the last meeting. Mr. Hinson asked for any comments or updates regarding the list. Mr. Porter stated that he would be abstaining from voting on the project priority list to avoid a conflict of interest as his firm has a stake in some of the projects. Mr. Litton directed David Hamstra to serve as Mr. Porter's alternate for any voting. Ms. Gosselin stated that projects #6 and #8 were duplicate entries. Mr. Hinson noted that project #8 would be eliminated and project #6 would keep its position on the priority list. Mr. Hinson thanked Ms. Gosselin for making the correction. Ms. Gosselin noted that the Kemper Road project (#5) has been funded and is in the design phase. Mr. Hinson noted that the list would be updated to reflect the status change. Mr. Litton noted that the change would result in the project being moved to the funded list (Hurricane Irma) and all projects that followed on the priority list would be moved up one position. Mr. Hinson noted that the status change was noted in the comments section of the list, but the project was not properly moved to the funded list. Mr. Hinson stated that the change would be made. Mr. Crandell provided an update on the two City of Saint Cloud projects on the Hurricane Irma list. Mr. Crandell stated that the Blackberry Creek Pump Station project (#1) has moved to the design phase and should be finished by the end of the year. Mr. Crandell stated that the Esprit Pond Improvements project is in the design procurement stage. Ms. Gosselin stated that the Buenaventura Lakes Stormwater Upgrades project (Hurricane Irma #3) was not approved for funding. Mr. Litton noted that the project would be moved back to the general list. Mr. Crandell noted that he should be listed as the contact for the City of Saint Cloud projects included on the list until the vacancy left by the previous contact is filled. Mr. Litton asked for a motion regarding the approval of the project priority list, inclusive of the changes noted. Ms. Gosselin made a motion to approve the project priority list, inclusive of the changes noted. Mr. Crandell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Local Mitigation Strategy Draft Approval

- Basic Plan

Mr. Hinson provided a summary of the LMS update process and highlighted the changes that were made to the Basic Plan.. Mr. Hinson asked for a motion regarding the approval of the LMS Basic Plan draft. Jeremy Donovan, LMS Working Group member, motioned for approval. Mr. Hinson acknowledged the motion and noted that Mr. Donovan had joined the meeting in-person, as he was not present for the roll-call. Mr. Crandell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA)

Mr. Hinson provided a summary of the updates made to the HIRA and the process that was followed during the review and update process. Mr. Hinson asked for a motion regarding the approval of the HIRA as presented. Leigh Anne Wachter commented that she appreciated all of the work that went into the update and thanked the team for their work. Mr. Hinson thanked Ms. Wachter for her participation in the update process. Mr. Donovan motioned to approve the HIRA as presented. Ms. Gosselin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Questions? Comments?

Mr. Hinson provided a summary of the new LMS Working Group webpage on the County's website that will provide upcoming meeting announcements and documentation from past meetings. Mr. Litton noted that the County has submitted its annual LMS report to the State for approval. Mr. Litton provided an update on the LMS submission and explained the approval and adoption process.

- Next Quarterly Meeting: March 11, 2021

Mr. Hinson noted the meeting dates for 2021, including March 11, June 10, September 9, and December 9.

## **Adjournment**

Mr. Hinson asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Donovan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Crandell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 09:31.

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