Minutes of Meeting #4 Hastings on Hudson Shoreline Committee

Attending: Trustee Meg Walker, Ed Weinstein, , Anthony Devito, , John Maggiotto, Ned Baldwin, Merrill Wheaton, Jim Metzger. Absent: Shannon Rooney, Carolyn Summers

- 1. Meg handed out Draft Preliminary Site Plan based upon ROD and CD 2015. Indicates river contours & 100' / 60' setbacks to +11' Elev. above LMSL.
- 2. Meg and Village Officials will be meeting with BP next Thursday to review comments and questions about the CD.
- 3. Mark Chertok (Village Counsel. For CD) is revising the CD language regarding the shoreline and our flexibility for conceptual design
- 4. The question of who actually produced the CD language was raised. We believe that Mayor Swiderski, Ex-Trustee and consultant to the current BOT, Jeremiah Quinlan and Mark Chertok represented Hastings in the negotiations.
- 5. The "Esplanade" should be above "spring high tide". This is the jurisdictional limit of the Army Corp of engineers.
- 6. Ned Baldwin presented a schematic design plan with site improvements for our review. He indicated an extension of the N.W. corner bulkhead to become a boat dock. We might want to consider presenting this conceptual plan to BP to indicate one possible direction for future development.
- 7. We were going to do a comprehensive review of the latest iteration of the RFP for a consultant when Shannon Rooney arrived. She was unable to make the meeting.
- 8. There was a discussion of the land / water interface and how various shoreline / bulkhead implementations would be accomplished. Can this be accomplished without placing additional fill in the river? It was indicated that bulkheads typically have a 50-year lifespan.
- 9. We need to develop an RFP with enough information to give direction to the Consultant.
- 10. Minute of Meeting 3 were approved with the following clarification: Item #11 should read ROD (record of Decision) not RAP (Remedial Action Plan). The definition of the slope was not indicated in the RAP. (*Please verify*)
- 11. Shoreline Committee should give direction for design of Shoreline to Consultant.
- 12. We need to simplify the RFP and a list of "deliverables".
- 13. We should engage with BP on the conceptual design.
- 14. The ROD 2004 defined the construction of the shoreline including: isolation layer, erosion prevention layer and habitat surface layer. This was updated after Hurricane Sandy.
- 15. There should be a great flexibility of tools at our disposal for the design of riprap, habitat and bulkhead.
- 16. We discussed ways of promoting the RFP including the NYS Contract Reporter, directed phone calls, general public notice, etc.
- 17. It appears that BP has an either / or choice on the design of the sloped shoreline / bulkhead from the updated ROD 2004.
- 18. We discussed the implications of a steep shoreline; large stones with a more difficult to establish shoreline habitat, and shallow slope with smaller stones and

- an easier to establish natural habitat. Steep vs. shallow slope affect how can develop the shoreline.
- 19. A material called "E Concrete" can help promote establishment of marine organisms.
- 20. Our consultant should be creative and up on the latest technology and design ideas.
- 21. The ROD should promote "protection of human health and environmental health".
- 22. A bulkhead will help contain DANAPL (dense non-aqueous phase liquid). It allows for future treatment of the contained contaminants. A properly designed sloped shoreline will help control movement of silt into the river. Criteria identified by the DEC in 2007 indicate a hierarchy of shoreline remedies and favors a sloped shoreline where appropriate.
- 23. We reviewed the proposed RFP and the "scope of work"
- 24. Community Meeting #1, "go crazy" with design ideas. Ned has shown one possible idea that wa favorably received by the Committee. At Meeting #2 we would ask for 3 conceptual plans. We will require a final summary of ideas and information developed over the course of the project and might request: plans, sections, a rendering and written narrative with required "next steps" and questions to be answered.
- 25. The upcoming Form Based Code (requested in the Comprehensive Plan") would address upland development after our process is completed.
- 26. We will need "marching orders" for the consultant and a written document to present to them indicating the extent of the site they will be addressing, i.e. BP site, Exxon / Mobil site, Uhlich Chemical site, etc.
- 27. The consultant's plan should address only the BP site with reference to the southern portion of the waterfront.

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