

VILLAGE OF ANSLEY
Special Meeting
November 4, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

A special meeting of the Chairperson and Board of Trustees of the Village of Ansley, Nebraska was held in the Municipal Auditorium on Wednesday, November 4, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. Present were Chairperson Fecht, Trustees Henry, Smith, Hogg and Mills. Also present Lanette, Greg Johnson, Tony Krause and Jennifer Salak of the USACE, Lalit Jha and Patrick Hartman from JEO, Tylr Naprstek and Brian Kolar from the LLNRD, Chad Dixon of M&A and 9 members of the public.

Notice of this meeting was by posting in three (3) public places, the Clerk's Office, Flatwater Bank and the Ansley Post Office as required by law. It was also posted on the Village website. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance thereof to the Chairperson and Board of Trustees of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. Chairperson Fecht opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and verified compliance with the open meeting act. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jennifer Salak opened with a power point presentation reviewing Phases I and II of the Section 22 study conducted by the USACE and moving on to provide information from the study on Phase III. In review Phase I was funded by PAS (Planning Assistance to States) with \$170,000 coming from Federal funds and \$170,000 from in-kind non-federal funds. This portion was the LIDAR collection data and counted as the Village's in kind contribution so there was no cost to the Village. The focus was looking at mapping, H&H modeling (hydrology and hydraulics) to determine where the water is coming from and where it is going. The inundation is significant but the depth is not.

Phase II looked at structural solutions to determine reduction of risks from Comer Creek Canyon through dams, levees, channel improvements and diversions. Road 792 was identified as a site to reduce risk.

Phase III looked at non-structural solutions – what can be done to reduce flooding to the structures identified as sites at risk. 66 structures lie in the 1% or 100 year floodplain. 43 of those 66 sites were evaluated to determine benefit cost ratio. There is a \$1,000,000 financial flood risk estimate to the community based on the analysis. 9 of the 43 structures had positive benefit cost ratio and would be sites the federal government would be interested in mitigating. Non-structural solutions or mitigation include elevation, filling basements, dry floodproofing and wet floodproofing. The mitigation options are completely up to the property owner and are voluntary. Elevation would be elevating the property above the BFE for that site; filling basements would eliminate the basement and flooding to the lowest level of the structure; dry floodproofing is typically done on commercial properties and includes a water resistant sealant; wet floodproofing allows flood waters to enter and flood vents are installed to equalize pressure. There was an exchange of questions and answers between attendees and panel members, and information provided and recommendations for specific problems.

Possible next steps are: (1) continue floodplain management thru NFIP; (2) wait for the updated mapping thru NE DNR; (3) evaluation of structural flood risk management; (4) consider combined structural and non-structural projects through the 205 program; (5) non-structural measures such as elevation and dry floodproofing thru FEMA programs; (6) mitigation evaluation projects. Based on the \$1,000,000 financial flood risk estimate in Ansley the Section 205 path is probably not the way to go because they typically fund projects in the \$8,000,000 to \$15,000,000 range. It was recommended we (1) stay abreast of the DNR mapping progress; (2) consider working with residents for non-structural mitigation solutions; (3) work with the NRD and the NRCS on their Mud Creek study to collaborate for possible solutions to flooding in Ansley via Comer Creek Canyon.

There being no further business to come before the Board it was moved by Trustee Henry and seconded by Trustee Mills that the meeting be adjourned. On roll call vote on the motion the following Trustees voted AYE: Henry, Mills, Fecht, Smith and Hogg. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Trenton Fecht, Chairperson

Lanette C. Doane, CMC

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I, the undersigned Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Chairperson and Board of Trustees; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continuously current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at said meeting was available at the meeting for copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

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Lanette C. Doane, CMC