

**RHODE ISLAND FLOOD MITIGATION ASSOCIATION
FIRST ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE
Radisson Hotel, Warwick, RI
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

I. Date: April 24, 2007 at 1:00 pm.

II. Attendees:

Attendees included:

From the Board of Directors:

Pam Pogue, CFM, Chair, RIEMA
Erik Skadberg, Vice-Chair, City of East Providence
Wayne Barnes, Secretary, City of East Providence
Ron Miner, Treasurer, CDM
Buvana Ramaswamy, Vice-Treasurer, CDM
Janet Freedman, CRMC
Nancy Hess, RI Statewide Planning
Dennis Charland, Outreach Committee Chair, IIARI

Additional Committee Chairs:

Carissa Lord, CFM, Professional Training Chair, RIEMA
Corinne Rosenblum, CFM, Annual Conference Chair, Dewberry
Victor Hom, Research/Technical Chair, NWS-Northeast River Forecast
Center

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III. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Pam Pogue at 1:05 pm.

IV. General Remarks

A. Remarks from the Chair

Pam related the purpose and necessity of convening an Annual Membership Meeting. She also noted that RIFMA is now an official chapter of the Association of State Floodplain Managers.

B. CFM Update

Carissa discussed the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) Examination process, noting that Ken Houck, Vice-Chair of Colorado Association of Stormwater & Floodplain Managers led a day-long CFM exam preparation class on Monday, April 23. Eight people were officially signed up for the exam, scheduled for Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at RIEMA Headquarters. Carissa also noted that as of this date, there are only two Certified Floodplain Managers in Rhode Island.

V. Nominations for the Board of Directors

Wayne Barnes announced the nominations for RIFMA Board of Directors and asked for any additional nominations from the floor for each position. No additional such nominations were made. The announced nominations were:

Officers:

Pam Pogue, CFM, Chair
Erik Skadberg, Vice-Chair
Wayne Barnes, Secretary
Ron Miner, Treasurer
Buvana Ramaswamy, Vice Treasurer

At-Large Board Members:

Janet Freedman
Nancy Hess
Dennis Charland
Mia Manzotti

It was announced that ballots, which were included as a part of conference packets, would be collected by the end of lunch.

VI. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Motion: Ron. Second: Buvana

Next Membership Meeting: At the 2008 Annual Meeting and Conference, date to be determined; or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Directors