

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
COMMITTEE MEETING #3**

MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, April 18, 2018
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Duration: 120 minutes
Location: Jefferson County Maintenance Building
128 Industrial Boulevard
Kearneysville, WV 25430

The committee members met for the third time on Wednesday, April 18 at the Jefferson County maintenance building to continue the update process of the hazard mitigation plan. The committee reviewed the draft of sections 1.2 Planning Area and 2.0 Risk Assessment that the consultant had sent them previously for their reference; the consultant explained the layout and content of the draft and answered some questions from the committee.

The consultant presented the results thus far of the second public survey regarding mitigation actions. The consultant briefly went over some relevant questions and data, but concentrated mainly on the questions that required comments. The consultant presented the comments to the committee members; for the most part the answers and comments from the survey were consistent with what they would have expected.

The committee completed worksheets regarding new projects they would like to include in the mitigation plan. The majority of projects focused on the need for more responder resources (equipment and personnel), education and awareness for the public, officials, and responders, and projects that address the public health crisis in the county, mainly substance abuse.

The committee has a combination of methods to prioritize existing and new projects for

the hazard mitigation plan. There will be a weighted scale applied to each project that will take into account:

- the likelihood of occurrence of a hazard,
- if it addresses several hazards,
- ongoing or about to start projects, and
- low cost, high risk projects.

The committee and the consultant discussed the possibility of public meetings for this plan at length; it will be difficult to schedule a meeting at the beginning of May because of Election Day. The committee has not yet reached an agreement as to the date and time for the public meeting but is considering presenting the draft hazard mitigation plan at the Jefferson County Commission meeting.

The next meeting will be via teleconference on April 25, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. and the consultant will send out the information prior to the meeting.