

SONOITA CREEK FLOOD and FLOW STUDY COMMITTEE

MISSION: The watershed is a vital component of this community's well being. The Sonoita Creek Flood and Flow Study Committee will (i) make recommendations to the Patagonia Town Council with respect to best practices within its jurisdiction to manage erosion, to enhance water flow, to create optimal flood mitigation and to promote the long-term health of the riparian corridor, (ii) look at the entire watershed area to influence upstream conditions and to mitigate downstream consequences, and (iii) educate the public.

AGENDA for Meeting via ZOOM 10 a.m., Thursday, July 14, 2022

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Correction and/or Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2022 regular monthly meeting.
5. Call to Public A. R. S. §38-431-01(H): AT THIS TIME, ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC IS ALLOWED TO ADDRESS THE TOWN COMMITTEE, SUBJECT TO REASONABLE TIME AND MANNER RESTRICTIONS. THE PUBLIC WILL ONLY BE RECOGNIZED TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS LISTED FOR PUBLIC INPUT PURSUANT TO TOWN CODE SECTION 2-5-6. PURSUANT TO THE ARIZONA OPEN MEETING LAW, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CALL TO THE PUBLIC, INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL MAY RESPOND TO CRITICISM MADE BY THOSE WHO HAVE ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL, MAY ASK STAFF TO REVIEW THE MATTER, OR MAY ASK THE MATTER BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA. HOWEVER, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC BODY SHALL NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE LEGAL ACTION ON MATTERS RAISED DURING AN OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC UNLESS THE MATTERS ARE PROPERLY NOTICED FOR DISCUSSION AND LEGAL ACTION

OLD BUSINESS

6. Discussion and possible action with respect to Flood & Flow Committee recommendations for water related changes to the Town's General Plan. (Carolyn)
7. Update from Kate Tirion on the Patagonia Regional Food Control Project Feasibility Study.
8. Update from Carolyn Shafer and Bob Proctor on the process for the flood control permit for South32 relative to the Cross Creek Connector road.
9. Update from Howard Buchanan and Bob Proctor on working with Ashley Hullinger, Program Director of Water RAPIDS for the University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center on the Town of Patagonia's "Drought Response Planning for Water Resilient Communities."

10. Update on Flood and Flow Committee Powers & Duties as an agenda item for approval on the July 13 Town Council meeting (Carolyn).
11. Update regarding a recommendation to the Town Council to request that Santa Cruz County declare a moratorium on all new industrial and commercial projects within the Town's Municipal Watershed and in the County's jurisdiction until all current and intended water studies are completed which is anticipated to be two to five years (Carolyn).

NEW BUSINESS

12. Discussion and possible action on upcoming project workshop for the Drought Preparedness Plan (Ashley Hullinger).
13. Next Regular Monthly Meeting: August 11, 2022 at 10 a.m.
14. Future Agenda Items: At this time the committee members may bring forth topics for future agendas.
15. Adjourn

PARKING LOT (future agenda items)

- Cooperative Watershed Management Program Fund Opportunity by USBR (a/k/a funding the Sonoita Creek Watershed Stakeholders Group)
- Patagonia General Plan
- Municipal Watershed Plan
- Sonoita Creek flow meters / ADOT Bridge work / South32 well data from ADWR
- Public education program on water related issues
- River Living Friendly Certification

RADAR SCREEN

- Hudbay property ownership