

**TOWN COUNCIL REPORT
RESILIENCY COMMITTEE
MARCH 8, 2024**

The Resiliency Committee last met on January 26th. There were two major agenda items: to review the draft Building Resilient Communities and Infrastructure (BRIC) grant for a Flood Mitigation Plan and Project Design for Cat Hill; and to review a proposal from an engineering firm that was submitted for the York Road Flood Mitigation project.

The BRIC grant was submitted on February 1st. The following week, Councilwoman Dondero and Town Manager Maureen Hartman were invited to a call with staff of DEMA to discuss the application. The feedback from DEMA about the BRIC application was enthusiastic and positive. They suggested some minor changes that were immediately addressed. In addition, DEMA suggested that the Town submit the same project under the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) grant program, which runs simultaneously with BRIC, to increase our chances of receiving the requested funding. Ms. Hartman worked to complete the second application and successfully met the February 29th deadline. Grant awards are expected to be announced later this fall.

The Committee suggested some changes and additional work be added to the proposal received for the York Road project. Council approved additional funds at its February meeting to cover the cost of the additional work being added to the scope of the project. It is our hope that work on the project will begin this spring.

Respectfully submitted,
Edie Dondero, Chairperson