## Block Island Sea Level Rise Committee Tuesday, June 7, 2022 Town Hall, Old Town Road 3:00 p.m. AGENDA

**Mission:** The Sea Level Rise Committee is established to understand the potential local impacts posed by sea level rise, assess the community's vulnerabilities, engage citizens and assist the town to assess, recommend and implement mitigation projects or other priority actions that will improve Block Island's coastal resiliency.

**PLEASE NOTE:** While we try to keep our meetings to one hour, we want to honor the time our guests are taking to speak with us and we will allow the meeting to run longer.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022
- 2. Quick presentation to the Panel regarding the Block Island Sea Level Rise Committee
- 3. Panel Discussion with members of the state's Executive Climate Change Coordinating Council (EC4) regarding opportunities for addressing sea level rise and other climate change impacts on Block Island:

Terry Gray (RIDEM, Director) Elizabeth Stone (RIDEM, Office of the Director) Jeff Diehl (RIIB, Executive Director/CEO) Shaun O'Rouke (RIIB) Kim Korioth (RIIB) Rep from CRMC – TBD

- 4. Committee Member Updates:
  - a. Town Council
  - b. Town Planner including grants and the Town Hazard Mitigation Plan
  - c. Communication liaisons with key groups
- 5. For the good of the group
- 6. Next meeting: July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Following the meeting**, we will be touring several sites of concern for sea level rise and climate change including:

- drive through Bridgegate Square and discuss its low elevation,
- then up Corn Neck Road to the Beach House (STOP #1),
- Scotch and Mosquito Beaches (STOP #2),

- the end of West Beach Road, to top of walkway for west side dune, marsh, and erosion discussion, as well as the Transfer Station (STOP #3),

- return down Corn Neck, right on Beach Ave to discuss pinch points to inner ponds & BI Power, past police/fire/rescue, to Center Road to

- second bluffs, not SLR but fresh-water erosion, also influenced by climate change (across from the end of Pilot Hill Road; STOP #4),

- return down Spring Street and leave them in Town.

We are trying to identify a van for the guests and folks are welcome to use their own vehicles or carpool to meet us at the stops.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the deaf and hard of hearing must call (401) 466-3200 forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting date. TTY: 711. Posted 05/31?/??/22 jks