

Sea Level Rise Committee
Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023
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.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from November 1st, 2022**
Approval of Minutes from December 6th, 2022
- 2. Committee Member Updates**
 - a. Town Council
 - b. Town Planner including Grants and the Town Hazard Mitigation Plan (see attached results from the public survey)
- 3. URI Capstone Presentation Follow-up**
- 4. Larger-Scale SLR Projects** – Discuss priorities and where to focus
Sven to update and lead discussion of vulnerabilities around Bridgegate Square.
Nigel to update and lead discussion of vulnerabilities in the dunes that protect Corn Neck Road north of Beach Ave.
- 5. Next Steps – Marsh Migration**
- 6. Smaller-Scale SLR Projects**
This will stay on the agenda for emerging issues to address in the short-term, relate to the Town's Hazard Mitigation Plan, funds to request in the Town's next budget, and determine how best to socialize.
- 7. SnapCoast**
Where is/are the best location(s) on BI? This will stay on the agenda until we have had a good discussion of the program for which Malcolm Spaulding sent a link. This article describes the program: [Progressive Charlestown: URI, R.I. Sea Grant, DEM, municipal partners invite public to take part in shoreline monitoring program \(progressive-charlestown.com\)](https://www.progressive-charlestown.com/progressive-charlestown.com)
- 8. Upcoming Immersion/Education Sessions – Updates**
The group agreed that the following people will be invited to join our regular meeting or hold a separate “immersion session:”
 - Annette Grilli (URI), wave attenuation – Socha Cohen & Judy Gray – scheduled for February 7th, 2023
 - Public Outreach How To (March? Before summer) – Mary Anderson and Socha Cohen
 - BI Tide Gauge Group – Nigel Grindley
 - CRMC – Sven Risom

Bryan Oakley, erosion and SLR – Judy Gray

9. For the Good of the Group

10. Next meeting: February 7th, 2023

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