



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
MARY L. HAYNES, MMC
City Clerk / Town Clerk

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MAJORITY OF A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS, MAY ATTEND A PEORIA COUNTY COMMUNITY OFFICIALS' MEETING WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND FEMA TO DISCUSS THE USE OF NEW DATA, NFIP PARTICIPATION, AND THE TIMETABLE FOR THE NEW MAPS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE ON TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2009, FROM 2:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M. AT THE PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY (AUDITORIUM), 107 N.E. MONROE STREET, PEORIA, ILLINOIS, FOLLOWED BY A PUBLIC FLOOD RISK INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE FROM 6:30 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mary L. Haynes", written over a horizontal line.

Mary L. Haynes, MMC
City Clerk of Peoria, Illinois

Date Posted July 2, 2009
Post Until July 8, 2009

Peoria City Hall
419 Fulton Street, Suite 401, Peoria, IL 61602-1232
Phone 309.494.8565 Fax 309.494.8574



FEMA

RECEIVED
JUN 17 2009

June 11, 2009

Mr. Ken Andrejasich
Permit Engineer, City of Peoria
419 Fulton Street
Room 307
Peoria, IL 61602

Dear Mr. Andrejasich:

In partnership with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region V office recently scheduled a public Flood Risk Information Open House for communities located in Peoria County, Illinois. The purpose of an Open House is to present updated flood risk data and provide information that you and other local officials, as well as your citizens, will find important for making sound risk management decisions. We recently mailed you copies of the preliminary Flood Insurance Study (FIS) and preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) identifying flood risk in Peoria County. The flood risk data included in the FIS and FIRM form the basis of participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). We would also like to meet with you and other local officials from within Peoria County before the Open House to briefly explain our mapping process, discuss your continued NFIP participation and seek your comments on the preliminary digital maps.

We have scheduled the Peoria County Community Officials' Meeting for Tuesday, July 7, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at the Peoria Public Library (Auditorium), 107 N.E. Monroe Street, Peoria, Illinois 61602. This meeting will provide information specifically for local elected officials, building and code enforcement and GIS staff. We will discuss the use of the new data, NFIP participation and the timetable for the new maps to become effective.

The evening Open House is also scheduled for July 7, at the same location. The Open House will begin at 6:30 and end at 8:30 p.m. During the Open House, no presentations will be made. Instead, the public will have a chance to talk one-on-one with a FEMA or IDNR representative about insurance issues, flood protection standards, regulatory requirements, state programs, and flood mitigation techniques. Your floodplain and/or building and zoning staff and engineers are encouraged to participate and answer questions on flood protection permit requirements. If your community has Geographic Information Systems staff, we encourage them to attend and bring their laptops to help residents reference the flood hazard maps for their neighborhoods.

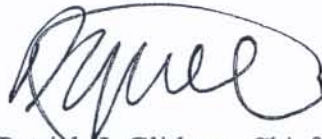
The evening Open House will be of particular interest to those living in or near areas of special flood hazards, realtors, insurance agents, developers and representatives of

lending institutions. We encourage you to publicize the Open House so these individuals are notified of the event. Enclosed is a sample news release that you may use as an example to publicize the Open House. It would also be helpful to display a copy of the news release in your local newspaper, in your local library, on your community website, on cable television, in the City Hall and the local post office and to distribute it to relevant organizations in your community.

Participation in the NFIP will require that your community adopt the new flood risk data into appropriate flood protection regulations by the time the new FIRM goes into effect. We suggest that you or your staff thoroughly review the preliminary FIRM and FIS prior to the meeting, so that you may voice any questions or concerns to us.

We thank you for taking a special interest in the NFIP and look forward to your participation in the Open House and the Community Officials' Meeting. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact Joel Intrieri at 312-408-5220 or David Schein at 312-408-5539. Thank you very much for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick J. Glithero". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "P".

Patrick J. Glithero, Chief
Floodplain Management and Insurance Branch

cc: Paul Osman, NFIP State Coordinator, IDNR
Mike Anderson, Stantec

Enclosures: Sample Press Release
Open House Informational Flyer