



Resilient Neighbors Network

Minutes of RNN Community Meeting of
Friday, *May 29, 2020*, 11:00 am ET

Resilient Neighbors Network (RNN) is a network of professionals representing communities actively working toward adaptation and resilience from natural hazards.

RNN Mission

To increase resilience in existing and developing communities at the grass roots level by documenting and actively sharing best practices, through education, peer to peer collaboration and mentoring.

RNN Vision

RNN will be a source for a compilation of community driven hazard resilience best practices that can serve as a resource to people & communities before, during and after a disaster. RNN will also actively bring ground truth and grassroots enlightenment to policy makers, researchers, regulators, and journalists.

AGENDA FOR RNN COMMUNITY MEETING OF *May 29, 2020*:

1. Roll call
2. Approval of Minutes (April 2020)
3. Comments/Issues/RNN Community Sharing/Good News
4. **Questions for the RNN Communities from Vince Brown of FEMA - (David Mallory)**
5. Status of Practical Community Resilience Project in South Carolina & Silver Jackets link (Ed Hecker) - New NHMA Board Member Ed Hecker to talk about RNN Linkage to Silver Jackets
6. Status of ABA Book – Ed Thomas
7. Follow-up on any RNN action items and future activities
8. CTP Collaboration Monthly Call for Topics
9. Any comments from Vincent Brown for FEMA updates
10. Adjourn

Minutes for Meeting of Friday, May 29, 2020:

11:00 am Eastern Time: CALL TO ORDER, INTRODUCTIONS AND ROLL CALL:

1) ROLL CALL:

Present:

Ned Swanberg (State of Vermont)
Terri Fead (Mile High Flood District, CO)
Shea B. Thomas (Mile High Flood District, CO)
Ed Thomas (NHMA Board)
Mary Baker (NHMA Board)
Donna Boyce (NHMA Board)
Jim Murphy (NHMA Board)
David Mallory (NHMA Board)
Vince Brown (FEMA)

David Mallory announced that on the last RNN call we had a representative from the State of Colorado Water Conservation Board attend and this month we have two representatives from the Mile High Flood District joining us, which is in the Denver Metropolitan Area - Terri Fead and Shea Thomas. Ed Thomas and David Mallory have invited them to audit the call to see if they might be interested in joining the RNN Communities.

There is an incredible amount of peer-to-peer best management practices available from the Colorado and the Denver experience, especially out of the 2013 Flood which served the Denver Metropolitan Area very well in that event and on through its recovery. The State of Vermont was also very helpful to the State of Colorado as it is an RNN Community and was able to assist Colorado based on its experience in recovering from a major flood event.

We are enormously pleased to have these two entities join us on today's call. Welcome! Thanks so much for joining.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes were tabled.

3) Comments/Issues/RNN Community Sharing/Good News

Mary Baker opened the floor to sharings and good news from the RNN Communities.

David Mallory reported that in the course of working with NHMA's FEMA point of contact on our CTP Grant - which is where we derive the funds to support the RNN efforts and also the Disaster Risk Reduction Curriculum - Vincent Brown as our point of contact recently challenged us with a couple of items. One of the things he asked about was which of the RNN Communities are also in the Cooperating Technical Partners Program, or CTP Program, and which of those who are CTPs are also conducting mapping projects and will eventually be adopting these maps and going through some form of public process in doing so.

David Mallory has put together a quick survey which was sent out to the RNN Communities yesterday morning and asks each of the RNN Communities to respond back via the e-mail with their responses.

The survey contains five quick questions and will help us see where we're at with the RNN Communities in terms of knowing which ones are CTPs. It's also an opportunity to express if they're not already a CTP but wish to become a CTP. Just about anyone can become a CTP: states, communities, and even non-profits like NHMA.

One of the first things that happens in the process of becoming a CTP is signing an Agreement with FEMA to cooperate on various tasks. There are a wide variety of tasks that individual entities can sign up for. In some cases, it may just be a single mapping project, or in other cases it may be a whole group of items.

The Mile High Flood District was the very first entity to sign the CTP Agreement with FEMA and that occurred in May of 1999. At that time, it was called the *Cooperating Technical Communities*, and because FEMA wanted to expand it to include entities other than communities, the name was changed to *Cooperating Technical Partners*. In the Mile High Flood District's case, there were a series of mapping activities, so the CTP Agreement for the Mile High District was really just a statement saying, "Hi, how are you, we agree to play nice, and we're going to cooperate on a bunch of stuff that we'll talk about in the upcoming Mapping Activity Statements." In the case of non-profits like NHMA, our activities are described in the Statements of Work, or SOWs.

On a regular basis the CTP Agreement defines the work that will be done. Using the Mile High Flood District as an example, they have completed mapping projects with FEMA. The Mile High Flood District also became the first in the nation to do technical reviews of Letters of Map Revision and Conditional Letters of Map Revision for FEMA, and that happened in 2001 and continues on to this day. To date there are about 34 or so Mapping Activity Statements that have been completed. So, there are communities out there with many, many years of experience working within this program, and FEMA has a whole platform dedicated to the CTP Initiative. There's a lot of information exchanged on it. Everyone is encouraged to complete the survey so we can carry it forward and answer this question.

David Mallory recapped this information for the benefit of Vincent Brown who joined the call and stated that a survey was recently attached to an email sent around to the RNN Communities. He will canvass the RNN Communities to try to answer various questions on the survey, specifically if they are a CTP Community, what was the date of their Agreement with FEMA, and if they are not, would their Community be interested in participating in the CTP Program, what future activities are they anticipating with FEMA, and do they have any past mapping and risk assessment projects either with FEMA or locally sourced entities. He will look for responses to the e-mail and follow through with each of the Communities. David will also forward a copy of the survey to Vince Brown.

Vince Brown thanked David for the recap and looked forward to receiving a copy of the survey so he can use it as evidence of the great work that NHMA and the RNN Communities are doing.

Vince Brown responded to a question from **Mary Baker** asking if there is a list of all the CTP Communities that FEMA works with suggesting it might help NHMA to compare its RNN Communities to FEMA's CTPs in order to identify where we may be able to fill in some gaps or holes. Mary shared that she had found a site online that offered a comprehensive list of Cooperating Technical Partners Programs by state but every time she clicked on a state it came back with no information. This was obviously wrong, and she tried both Nebraska and Colorado which we know have CTPs, yet nothing was listed.

Vince Brown agreed this sounded odd and will investigate to see if there is such a list. He observed that as we're advocating getting more involved with the CTPs, in order to engage with them we need to know who they are. He will get a copy of such a list to her or else let her know if one exists. It is not likely there are limitations on this information in terms of public access.

David Mallory shared that the Board was recently told that Lillian Robison might be able to get that information for us as well. He will contact her to see if she has access to such a list. When he was with the Mile High Flood District or Urban Drainage as it was known back then, there was not a complete list of all the CTPs available. Hopefully that has been rectified.

Ned Swanberg reported on happenings in the State of Vermont. He did not have anything new to report. They're all hunkered down and slowly getting back into being outside for the regulatory implementation of their work. They have a lot of unresolved issues, the biggest of which is the state budget issue, as well as people going on leave and unfilled positions - a little bit of a mix. There was some good news from FEMA on a couple of fronts recently with the CPT Program and recognition of the work that the State of Vermont has been doing.

Ed Thomas reported on South Carolina and the ABA Book. He briefly stated that we're in the final stages of looking at the pre-print copy of the American Bar Association's Resilience Handbook, and that book is largely authored by NHMA-related folks; the RNN Communities have pitched in, and Donna Boyce did a fantastic job co-authoring one of the chapters with Chuck Wallace. We are looking forward to it being part of an effort to transform the current way that disasters are made worse through improper and unwise land use and building code decisions for a whole range of hazards including flood. We're looking to closely link the roll-out of the book with the resources of the American Bar Association behind it. Since NHMA is such an integral part of the Book, everyone will be hearing more about the efforts to promote it and the

concepts within it through webinars and the like. We are very excited that this long-term project is coming to fruition!

Ed Thomas suggested that David Mallory be asked to give us a rundown on the various contracts that the NHMA Board decided to award yesterday. They will give us an opportunity to have a lot more people involved in NHMA going forward because we will have a couple of contractors working to carry out the Tasks that we have agreed to do for FEMA with respect to the CTP. So, there will be a lot more activity rolling out from the team at NHMA.

David Mallory reported that we have not had an active contractor working on the Disaster Risk Reduction Curriculum for a number of months. The 24 Modules are complete. Most have been presented in one form or another, peer-reviewed, and have also gone through at least one revision or update and that update has been peer-reviewed as well.

Over the last several months as we've gone through the strategic planning efforts and talked amongst the NHMA Leadership, we put together a document which articulates how we move from the 24 Modules that are complete to an actual credentialed program. This entails creating a learning environment, figuring out which Modules need to be updated and what kind of update schedules are required. Some of the Modules need to be updated annually, some of them can perhaps be on a 3-year plan or cycle. We need to have some criteria for certifying instructors. We also need to have some sort of system for delivering the Modules either through webinars or through in-person workshops, trainings, and so forth. We have done a lot of presentations over the years, and in fact when we tallied up all the places we've been over the last 5, 6, or 7 years, it turns out we've been to 46 states. There are a couple places we haven't been to yet and some places like Utah, Montana, Colorado, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and others that we've been to a number of times. A while back we did a Pilot Program in South Carolina in cooperation with the Silver Jackets and Clemson University and a local county in South Carolina, and we identified from that event an idea of what it will look like for us to partner with a University or learning institute to carry the Curriculum forward into a credentialed program so we can actually have a credentialed mitigation specialist that has a meaningful credential representing that they've done a lot of work and demonstrated that they know their stuff.

So, we'll be trying to figure out what part or parts of the Curriculum form the basic credential. We don't necessarily have to go through all 24. Also, which Modules will represent more advanced learning. To that end we are releasing at the beginning of next week the **Request for Proposals** to partner with an institute within a university for a period of perhaps three to five years and will fund this initially out of our 2018 and 2019 Grant funds. At this point we have about \$170,000.00 available between both Grants. Those funds have to go to a number of things, so we estimate we have about \$100,000 to \$110,000.00 that can be put into this from these two Grants. That is one of the RFPs that's coming out.

Another competitive RFP will be to operate a webinar platform for us and to take care of registration, marketing and outreach. That RFP will also go out next week and will be competitive. We hope to have proposals on both of these RFPs back by mid-June and hope to award it by the end of June and get underway.

We will be giving out a series of three micro-contracts that will also be proposed for distribution. The micro-contracting vehicle that we have available to us is one in which we can single-source the contract as long as the amount is less than \$10,000.00. **One proposed Micro-contract** is to the *Clemson Engineers for Developing Countries Program* or CEDC, to evaluate our Resilient Neighbors Network through the lens of FEMA's new BRIC Program. We have been in contact with the BRIC Program over the last couple of months to discuss what their program looks like, what our program looks like, and how these two might support each other. **The second micro-contract** will be to Professor David Vaughn with Clemson University to develop a new module - *Module 25 on Grants: How to Write Them, How to Manage Them, and How to Get Money Into Your Bank Account from FEMA*. This is geared toward communities that are smaller, underserved, who don't necessarily have the staff to dedicate to this type of effort. And **lastly, a contract to** the Clemson University Practical Community Resilience Program to complete research and a strategy for using the DRR Curriculum Concept, to operationalize it and integrate it into Clemson's Practical Community Resilience Program - that model of resiliency. Those five contracting vehicles are going out through this next week. This represents a lot of work that has been accomplished by the Project Management Team within NHMA to get things going.

With regard to our Grants: We recently finished up all the paperwork and progress reports for the 2016 and 2017 Grants and all the deliverables are there. The 2018 and 2019 Grants are currently funded, funds

are available, and we can draw from those two Grants for all of these initiatives that have just been described.

We are waiting to be notified on the 2020 Grant. We've completed the Statement of Work, the Budget Narratives, and all the other documents that are necessary for the Grant application, and as far as we know all those documents are approved and the application is working its way through the Grant Office. At the end of the process we'll get an e-mail that states, 'Award Letter is waiting for you to do something about it.'

The 2020 Grant will be funded at \$150,000.00 and reflects a more robust program going forward. The plan is to spend the 2018 and 2019 Grants by this Fall. Then we will be moving on into the 2020 Grant funds to continue the work that's started by the contracts that we're letting out right now. That will be the future, and after this Fall is reached, we'll just be dealing with one Grant at a time. That will be nice for our Grant Manager, nice for NHMA, and nice for Vince Brown, and will help simplify the management part going forward.

Jim Murphy and Mary Baker thanked David Mallory for all his efforts; they are greatly appreciated.

David Mallory expressed appreciation for the excellent group effort that made all this come together and helped to get all this done. Between Erin Capps, Tom Hughes, Ed Hecker, Ed Thomas, and others, it was a labor of love and is wonderful to see the fruits of our labor.

Vince Brown shared that this will add more credibility and justification to FEMA about what's going on with NHMA. This is a really good effort that takes us in another direction. NHMA will now become an organization that manages entitles that it has funded across multiple areas to accomplish its objective. Really, really, excellent work.

Mary Baker asked how the RFPs will be released.

David Mallory reported that we will advertise them on the NHMA website and the RNN website. We can also send these directly to any entities that might be interested. We did an RFP Request about a year and half ago and received some interest from Vanderbilt University and Peirce Community College in Washington, so we will reach out to those folks again because they have shown an interest in past NHMA work. We also have a Standard Operating Procedure. Last year we went through a desk audit with FEMA and as a result of that we developed our Standard Operating Procedures for Grant Management. So that document is blessed based on review through FEMA and is what we operate under. So, we have three contracting vehicles in the SOP and we followed those. We also have a plan for disseminating these RFPs and will follow that in spreading these around. Mainly its going to be the websites, previous contractors, previous folks who've shown interest, and then anybody else who has an entity in mind. We'll solicit those leads form anybody within NHMA and the RNN, so if you've got something in mind, please send it our way.

Ed Thomas chimed in that we certainly would be looking for all the NHMA members, or Board Members or the RNN Community to disseminate these RFPs on their own platforms as appropriate. We are making a very conscious decision to make sure that the members of the RNN Communities are well aware of what we're doing, and hopefully will participate in disseminating this material. Then we'll be looking forward to everyone, once we get this going, to be part of our continued efforts to make sure we use your expertise and develop materials and information that will be of use to all the RNN Communities.

Mary Baker thanked everyone for their reports and opened the floor to discussion of RNN Action Items, future activities, CTP collaboration and Monthly Call for topics. There being no more comments on these items she gave the floor to Vince Brown for his report on events happening at FEMA.

Vince Brown reported that FEMA is still in the COVID mode. They are all still working from home. No one is allowed back in the building. They are still placing emphasis on the virus and it still affects everything they do in terms of putting out information and how they manage their programs, though things don't seem to be as "tight" as they were when they were first sent home. Everything was helter-skelter and had to be COVID related.

One of his responsibilities is managing part of FEMA's communications process. Lately they have been able to get their communications through the review and concurrence process that they have set up which includes anything in publication that goes out from FEMA to the public. For example, if he were in the office, all the outreach material that they create, fact sheets and documents and videos and blogs and social media material, all has to go through FIMA first, and then through Internal Affairs for review. They field a lot of information. Building Sciences, Grant Programs, Annual Reports, and all the information on disasters. Then

there are the things they create for conferences and fact sheets for the public and other materials about what's going on - all of that material that was in process has been put on hold because of the Coronavirus.

FEMA is now able to get more information out on the Grant process. They have a couple of Grant Programs - NOFOs - Notice of Funding Opportunities that were sent out just recently in the last week or two: One is for National Earthquake Hazards Preparedness Program - an annual Grant was just announced this week, so that information will go out to the public letting folks know that the Grant funds are available. Another NOFO is a new program - the HHPD Program - High Hazard Potential Dam Program - which is in its second year. That one is \$10 Million dollars, which isn't a lot. The money will go to states that have High Hazard Potential Dams.

Vince's office has been stuck in the process of trying to work with the Flood Office in FIMA, to get the information around these Grants pushed through the system of FIMA review and then External Affairs Review, back and forth, editing, etc. This had to be done because these Grants have a certain time period. It's been quite a process because everything is being looked at so heavily.

The NOFOs were just released for the two Grant Programs; they have webinars to give presentations to help folks understand what the Grant Programs are, and they have guidance to go out, which has happened. Vince has been doing a lot of work with NHMA Leadership to shore up what we're doing and let people know about what NHMA's producing and what the RNN aspect of NHMA is all about and what it's accomplishing and also help increase the membership in the organization because everything is being looked at now in terms of partnerships.

Within FIMA, we are in the Risk Management Directorate, and that's what our Grant is attached to. It's considered a partnership so they're looking at things through that lens. Vince does not want to be left out in the cold on any of this. He has been working hard to get things like our plans to meet with NEMA mentioned to FEMA leadership and that whole process is going to look really good when we start reporting on it.

Vince Brown confirmed that we got the Grant increase - an extra \$50,000.00 - and if needed we'll go for that again. The 2020 Grant is in the process of being approved. We've been talking a lot. Hurricane season is coming up. FEMA is preparing itself to not only fight the virus, but if something crops up in terms of a big storm and heavy duty flooding, right now they have a bunch of folks that are working in shifts 24/7 just on the virus. They have now activated in their training for other people within FEMA to form a Second Surge Unit so that if something does happen we can manage that with a whole other set of people because the virus is still ongoing. So, they're getting prepared hurricane-wise. Hopefully we will not have an earthquake!

Jim Murphy shared that he is working with Heather Morgan, who worked for many years on dams, and she's looking into the possibility of addressing a lot of the issues on dams using P3 (Public Private Partnerships) where we get private sector financing and leverage some of the government money and see if we can do that. She's also interested in becoming an NHMA member so he will get her lined up for that.

Jim Murphy also reported that Heather Morgan has a lot of experience. Right now, she's helping to coordinate for AECOM probably one of the largest flood control projects in the nation which is all along Lower Manhattan. With what they're going to do in trying to decide how to address protecting Lower Manhattan, looking at sea level rise, etc., she'd be a good person to have.

Jim shared that he is also thinking in terms of for the RNN, which might be a completely different perspective, that she would know who within New York might be a good person to approach. A project that big is very political, but it would be an interesting and different view for the RNN Communities to get some of these organizations that are participating with the New York Flood Control Project. They're looking at providing protection through 2050 and taking into account climate change and all these other things.

Vince Brown shared his thought that there's going to be a lot of things that will happen especially as we go through our second year Grant funding, similar to what happened in Michigan. There are so many unrepaired dams out there and so little money to fix them. There was a big article in the Washington Post the other day which mentioned FEMA and the Grant program in terms of how \$10 million is not going to be anywhere near enough money to help all the states resolve their unrepaired dams. That's a big problem.

Mary Baker added that one of the things which came out in the flooding they had last year in Nebraska with ice jams, and everything from 2019, was how much of their infrastructure really is owned by the private sector vs. a public or state entity or anybody that would be eligible for funding normally. That's something in the private/public partnership area we definitely need to help close the gap on.

Vince Brown offered that he doesn't know what NHMA or the RNN can add to that conversation, but its something to think about as its definitely is on the minds of a lot of people these days.

Ed Thomas commented that one of the things we can bring to that is material we've developed over a long time, going back to his days when he worked for FEMA, when they first started writing up documents

on liability for unsafe dams and unsafe levees. That's something that can help people better understand the incredible amount of liability that anyone who owns or builds or otherwise touches a dam has for a structure that can cause loss of life and great damage to a community. We do have publications on that which can help. He looks forward to working with this new potential member to see if we can incorporate some of the materials from the Curriculum into any efforts that we're making as a society that improve the safety of our dams and levees. Good direction and good input.

Jim Murphy added that it might be interesting to get New York City as an RNN member.

Ed Thomas agreed. That would be a tremendous turn-around for New York City. We worked very actively with New York following Super Storm Sandy to have them better understand that they weren't helping themselves, despite the efforts they were making to do so much stuff on climate adaptation. New York had managed to create a situation whereby New York State had a building code for everywhere *except* New York City - New York City had its own separate building code. The Five Burroughs of New York City had a particular freeboard above BFE and New York State required 2 feet of freeboard above BFE for substantially renovated construction. Yet New York City had a special BFE freeboard of *zero*. So, they were building stuff that simply was not at all safe and proper, and it was a tragedy for New York. Even after Superstorm Sandy, the New York Times reported how there were areas with multiple feet of flooding, even above the BFE, and New York City was engaged in a highly litigious effort to shove the BFE *down* as far as possible and fighting over BFE legislation.

Jim Murphy shared that right now New York is looking at building protection risk reduction to 2050 climate change, but right across the river in New Jersey they're looking at 2075.

Ed Thomas wondered if anybody is seriously thinking along the lines of what we used to do as a nation. We built flood control works that protected *people*, and we would look at the probable maximum flood or hurricane, something that's probably the equivalent a different scale of 300 or 500 years. Europeans, however, when they protect people, generally look for protection to the 10,000-year level.

Jim Murphy observed that one would think that in Lower Manhattan they would look at something like that.

Ed Thomas offered that all this can help us to really convey the fundamental idea of NHMA, which is to take a look at places like the Urban Drainage Flood Control District, now the Mile High Flood District, and the incredible consensus of over 40 years of making things better and building more safely and properly. Looking at what Tulsa did to turn themselves around, looking at what's going on in Charlotte-Mecklenburg, looking at what's going on in Hillsborough County, Florida. Looking at what some communities are doing with the same tools, the same materials that are available to everybody else and having success as opposed to the general situation that we see around.

The more we can talk this up within the communities - if you look at what Vermont has done since the 1960s on protecting the environment and protecting themselves from flooding and having had some setbacks, then picking themselves up and making themselves better. That's the untold story that so many of the problems we're having are simply lack of leadership and lack of focus on the long-term as opposed to short-term stuff. So, the RNN Communities, NHMA membership have a tremendous amount to teach the rest of the nation, and for that matter, the world. Then to learn from each other. So, there's a lot that can be done.

Ed Thomas suggest that Mary Baker refer the group back to Item 8 of the Agenda on CTP Collaboration Monthly Call for Topics. The purpose of having this there was to make sure that the RNN Communities and anybody else from NHMA - and of course Vincent Brown and the FEMA folks - know that we are having a Resilient Partnership Network; there is CTP collaboration and a monthly call. It would be good to report out successes and problems, or anything else that people want to say that might be of interest to the nation. We want to keep in mind that as we have problems and successes, not just reporting them on the RNN Calls, but also considering if we want to report that on the CTP calls.

Vincent Brown agreed that would be good. Then when we talk about New York City as a potential RNN Community Member it would be *very* good. He noted that the folks he has dealt with in New York City are pretty aggressive.

Jim Murphy shared he is not sure who in New York City would be a good candidate for the RNN because they deal with so many different agencies who have ultimate authority to even approve something like that. His company is working with all them, but Heather Morgan might know.

David Mallory commented that New York City had a representative on TMAC named Carrie Grassi, Deputy Director of Planning, NYC Mayor's Office of Recovery and Resiliency. She and David were the two

slots for the local government representatives on TMAC for at least 4 years, though David was just on for the first two years.

Vincent Brown shared that when they were redoing the flood maps after Superstorm Sandy, New York City officials fought them tooth and nail on every map. They knew the flood plain maps backwards and forwards and any argument presented for doing something, they had an aggressive counter argument ready. There is a cool community group that he worked with though called Lower Side Rep - it's a community organization that does a lot of mitigation and community level work and might be a good fit for the RNN. Though the officials from New York he was dealing with were very aggressive, these folks seemed to be pretty cool. They can be reached at <http://www.lesready.org/>

Vince Brown offered that anytime Jim Murphy wants to set up a call with Heather Morgan and involve him, and we also have the buy in from James Dempsey from the flood map world, and Jim wants to get a call together, just let him know. **Jim Murphy** responded that Heather Morgan also worked with the Army Corps Engineers on dam stuff, so she probably knows James Dempsey.

Ed Thomas commented that that would be outstanding. He suggested moving forward on that as we have other RNN members that are with the Lowland Center and it would be great to get New York City and maybe a neighborhood group all involved in this. He personally would welcome more native New Yorkers in the RNN. Suggested that if we're going to do this transformation, a little aggression properly channeled and done with a smile would probably be a good thing to happen.

Mary Baker brought the meeting to a close and shared that she is personally very excited about the future and what our organization and the RNN and NHMA can do to help get our communities and states and nation into a better position. Is very encouraged. This has been one of the brighter spots of her week so she thinks the future is a bright thing for us. Thanked everyone for sharing and having a great discussion.

Ed Thomas added a special thanks to Mile High, not just for joining this call but for their incredible successes over the last forty-plus years in really helping transform the nature of flood response and planning. Their work affects far more than just metropolitan Denver - they used to say that the Urban Drainage Flood Control District took care of 45% of the population of the whole state of Colorado. It's wonderful to have them as part of this and he hopes they will consider being part of the Resilient Neighbors Network. Thank you very much.

A Motion to adjourn was made by Ed Thomas.

The Motion was seconded by David Mallory.

There being no discussion, it was

VOTED: The meeting was adjourned.

The Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Next meeting is **June 26, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.** Eastern Time.

May 2020 Action Items List

David Mallory to look for responses to the e-mail survey and follow through with each of the RNN Communities per Vince Brown's request.

David Mallory to forward a copy of the survey to Vince Brown.

Vince Brown to investigate to see if there is a comprehensive list of CTP Communities and forward this to Mary Baker.

David Mallory to contact Lillian Robison to see if she has access to a comprehensive list of CTP Communities.

David Mallory and the PMT to disseminate the NHMA RFPs.

Jim Murphy to reach out to former TMAC representative Carrie Grassi, Deputy Director of Planning, NYC Mayor's Office of Recovery and Resiliency to invite her to participate in the RNN.

Jim Murphy reach out to Lower Side Rep - a community organization that does a lot of mitigation and community level work and might be a good fit for the RNN per Vince Brown. They can be reached at <http://www.lesready.org/>