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September 24, 2024

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Effingham (159990-B001), 68 School St., Effingham, NH 03305, in the amount of \$7,500.00 to update their Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP). Effective upon Governor and Council approval through August 4, 2025. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in the SFY 2025 operating budget as follows:

02-23-23-236010-43930000 Dept. of Safety – HSEM – BRIC	<u>SFY 2025</u>
072-500574 Grants to Local Gov't - Federal	\$7,500.00
Activity Code: 23BRIC21 4393	

EXPLANATION

Governor and Council approval is being sought because of the amount of previous payments by the Department of Safety to the Town of Effingham plus the amount of this grant yields a cumulative amount that is over the Departments' approved threshold.

The purpose of this grant is for the Town of Effingham to update their HMP. The grant listed above is funded by the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant program, which was awarded to the Department of Safety, HSEM, from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). BRIC provides funding to sub-recipients for cost-effective hazard mitigation activities that complement a comprehensive mitigation program. FEMA provides BRIC funds to states that, in turn, provide sub-grants or contracts for a variety of mitigation activities, such as planning, and the implementation of projects identified through the evaluation of natural hazards.

BRIC is 75% Federally funded by FEMA with a 25% match requirement supplied by the sub-recipient. The sub-recipient acknowledges their match obligation as part of Exhibits B and C to their grant agreement.

In the event that BRIC funds are no longer available, General Funds and/or Highway Funds will not be requested to support this program.

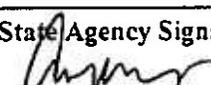
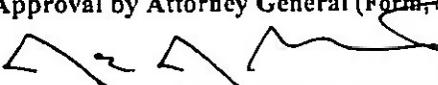
Respectfully submitted,


Robert L. Quinn
Commissioner of Safety

GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Sub-Recipient hereby
Mutually agree as follows:
GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. IDENTIFICATION AND DEFINITIONS

1.1. State Agency Name NH Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management		1.2. State Agency Address 33 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03305	
1.3. Sub-Recipient Name Town of Effingham (159990-B001)		1.4. Sub-Recipient Address 68 School St, Effingham, NH, 03882	
1.5 Sub-Recipient Tel. # 603-539-7766	1.6. Account Number AU #43930000	1.7. Completion Date August 4, 2025	1.8. Grant Limitation \$7,500.00
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Austin Brown, Chief of Mitigation & Recovery		1.10. State Agency Telephone Number (603) 271-2231	
"By signing this form we certify that we have complied with any public meeting requirement for acceptance of this grant, including if applicable RSA 31:95-b."			
1.11. Sub-Recipient Signature 1 		1.12. Name & Title of Sub-Recipient Signor 1 Jon Thomas Harmon, EMD	
Sub-Recipient Signature 2		Name & Title of Sub-Recipient Signor 2	
Sub-Recipient Signature 3		Name & Title of Sub-Recipient Signor 3	
1.13. State Agency Signature(s) By:  On: 10/18/24		1.14. Name & Title of State Agency Signor(s) Amy Newbury, Director of Administration	
1.15. Approval by the N.H. Department of Administration, Division of Personnel (if applicable) By: _____ Director, On: / /			
1.16. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if G & C approval required) By:  Assistant Attorney General, On: 15 OCT 24 / /			
1.17. Approval by Governor and Council (if applicable) By: _____ On: / /			

2. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. The State of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 ("State"), engages contractor identified in block 1.3 ("Contractor") to perform, and the Contractor shall perform, the work or sale of goods, or both, identified and more particularly

described in the attached EXHIBIT B which is incorporated herein by reference ("Services").

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3. EFFECTIVE DATE/COMPLETION OF SERVICES.

3.1 Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire, if applicable, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council approve this Agreement as indicated in block 1.17, unless no such approval is required, in which case the Agreement shall become effective on the date the Agreement is signed by the State Agency as shown in block 1.13 ("Effective Date").

3.2 If the Contractor commences the Services prior to the Effective Date, all Services performed by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date shall be performed at the sole risk of the Contractor, and in the event that this Agreement does not become effective, the State shall have no liability to the Contractor, including without limitation, any obligation to pay the Contractor for any costs incurred or Services performed. Contractor must complete all Services by the Completion Date specified in block 1.7.

4. CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds affected by any state or federal legislative or executive action that reduces, eliminates or otherwise modifies the appropriation or availability of funding for this Agreement and the Scope for Services provided in EXHIBIT B, in whole or in part. In no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of appropriated funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to reduce or terminate the Services under this Agreement immediately upon giving the Contractor notice of such reduction or termination. The State shall not be required to transfer funds from any other account or source to the Account identified in block 1.6 in the event funds in that Account are reduced or unavailable.

5. CONTRACT PRICE/PRICE LIMITATION/ PAYMENT.

5.1 The contract price, method of payment, and terms of payment are identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C which is incorporated herein by reference.

5.2 The payment by the State of the contract price shall be the only and the complete reimbursement to the Contractor for all expenses, of whatever nature incurred by the Contractor in the performance hereof, and shall be the only and the complete compensation to the Contractor for the Services. The State shall have no liability to the Contractor other than the contract price.

5.3 The State reserves the right to offset from any amounts otherwise payable to the Contractor under this Agreement those liquidated amounts required or permitted by N.H. RSA 80:7 through RSA 80:7-c or any other provision of law.

5.4 Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made hereunder, exceed the Price Limitation set forth in block 1.8.

6. COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS/ EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.

6.1 In connection with the performance of the Services, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county or municipal authorities which impose any obligation or duty upon the Contractor, including, but not limited to, civil rights and equal employment opportunity laws. In addition, if this Agreement is funded in any part by monies of the United States, the Contractor shall comply with all federal executive orders, rules, regulations and statutes, and with any rules, regulations and guidelines as the State or the United States issue to implement these regulations. The Contractor shall also comply with all applicable intellectual property laws.

6.2 During the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, or national origin and will take affirmative action to prevent such discrimination.

6.3 The Contractor agrees to permit the State or United States access to any of the Contractor's books, records and accounts for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with all rules, regulations and orders, and the covenants, terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7. PERSONNEL.

7.1 The Contractor shall at its own expense provide all personnel necessary to perform the Services. The Contractor warrants that all personnel engaged in the Services shall be qualified to perform the Services, and shall be properly licensed and otherwise authorized to do so under all applicable laws.

7.2 Unless otherwise authorized in writing, during the term of this Agreement, and for a period of six (6) months after the Completion Date in block 1.7, the Contractor shall not hire, and shall not permit any subcontractor or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Services to hire, any person who is a State employee or official, who is materially involved in the procurement, administration or performance of this Agreement. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement.

7.3 The Contracting Officer specified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, shall be the State's representative. In the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer's decision shall be final for the State.

8. EVENT OF DEFAULT/REMEDIES.

8.1 Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Contractor shall constitute an event of default hereunder ("Event of Default"):

8.1.1 failure to perform the Services satisfactorily or on schedule;

8.1.2 failure to submit any report required hereunder; and/or

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8.1.3 failure to perform any other covenant, term or condition of this Agreement.

8.2 Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:

8.2.1 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely cured, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Contractor notice of termination;

8.2.2 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the contract price which would otherwise accrue to the Contractor during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Contractor has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Contractor;

8.2.3 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and set off against any other obligations the State may owe to the Contractor any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and/or

8.2.4 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default, treat the Agreement as breached, terminate the Agreement and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

8.3. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event of Default, or any subsequent Event of Default. No express failure to enforce any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other Event of Default on the part of the Contractor.

9. TERMINATION.

9.1 Notwithstanding paragraph 8, the State may, at its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement for any reason, in whole or in part, by thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor that the State is exercising its option to terminate the Agreement.

9.2 In the event of an early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Services, the Contractor shall, at the State's discretion, deliver to the Contracting Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report ("Termination Report") describing in detail all Services performed, and the contract price earned, to and including the date of termination. The form, subject matter, content, and number of copies of the Termination Report shall be identical to those of any Final Report described in the attached EXHIBIT B. In addition, at the State's discretion, the Contractor shall, within 15 days of notice of early termination, develop and submit to the State a Transition Plan for services under the Agreement.

10. DATA/ACCESS/CONFIDENTIALITY/PRESERVATION.

10.1 As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video

recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.

10.2 All data and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason.

10.3 Confidentiality of data shall be governed by N.H. RSA chapter 91-A or other existing law. Disclosure of data requires prior written approval of the State.

11. CONTRACTOR'S RELATION TO THE STATE. In the performance of this Agreement the Contractor is in all respects an independent contractor, and is neither an agent nor an employee of the State. Neither the Contractor nor any of its officers, employees, agents or members shall have authority to bind the State or receive any benefits, workers' compensation or other emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

12. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACTS.

12.1 The Contractor shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written notice, which shall be provided to the State at least fifteen (15) days prior to the assignment, and a written consent of the State. For purposes of this paragraph, a Change of Control shall constitute assignment. "Change of Control" means (a) merger, consolidation, or a transaction or series of related transactions in which a third party, together with its affiliates, becomes the direct or indirect owner of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting shares or similar equity interests, or combined voting power of the Contractor, or (b) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Contractor.

12.2 None of the Services shall be subcontracted by the Contractor without prior written notice and consent of the State. The State is entitled to copies of all subcontracts and assignment agreements and shall not be bound by any provisions contained in a subcontract or an assignment agreement to which it is not a party.

13. INDEMNIFICATION. Unless otherwise exempted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all claims, liabilities and costs for any personal injury or property damages, patent or copyright infringement, or other claims asserted against the State, its officers or employees, which arise out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omission of the Contractor, or subcontractors, including but not limited to the negligence, reckless or intentional conduct. The State shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Contractor arising under this paragraph 13. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant in paragraph 13 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

14. INSURANCE.

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14.1 The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, obtain and continuously maintain in force, and shall require any subcontractor or assignee to obtain and maintain in force, the following insurance:

14.1.1 commercial general liability insurance against all claims of bodily injury, death or property damage, in amounts of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate or excess; and

14.1.2 special cause of loss coverage form covering all property subject to subparagraph 10.2 herein, in an amount not less than 80% of the whole replacement value of the property.

14.2 The policies described in subparagraph 14.1 herein shall be on policy forms and endorsements approved for use in the State of New Hampshire by the N.H. Department of Insurance, and issued by insurers licensed in the State of New Hampshire.

14.3 The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, a certificate(s) of insurance for all insurance required under this Agreement. Contractor shall also furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, certificate(s) of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration date of each insurance policy. The certificate(s) of insurance and any renewals thereof shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference.

15. WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

15.1 By signing this agreement, the Contractor agrees, certifies and warrants that the Contractor is in compliance with or exempt from, the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A ("*Workers' Compensation*").

15.2 To the extent the Contractor is subject to the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A, Contractor shall maintain, and require any subcontractor or assignee to secure and maintain, payment of Workers' Compensation in connection with activities which the person proposes to undertake pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, proof of Workers' Compensation in the manner described in N.H. RSA chapter 281-A and any applicable renewal(s) thereof, which shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference. The State shall not be responsible for payment of any Workers' Compensation premiums or for any other claim or benefit for Contractor, or any subcontractor or employee of Contractor, which might arise under applicable State of New Hampshire Workers' Compensation laws in connection with the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

16. NOTICE. Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses given in blocks 1.2 and 1.4, herein.

17. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Executive Council of

the State of New Hampshire unless no such approval is required under the circumstances pursuant to State law, rule or policy.

18. CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM. This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. The wording used in this Agreement is the wording chosen by the parties to express their mutual intent, and no rule of construction shall be applied against or in favor of any party. Any actions arising out of this Agreement shall be brought and maintained in New Hampshire Superior Court which shall have exclusive jurisdiction thereof.

19. CONFLICTING TERMS. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this P-37 form (as modified in EXHIBIT A) and/or attachments and amendment thereof, the terms of the P-37 (as modified in EXHIBIT A) shall control.

20. THIRD PARTIES. The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.

21. HEADINGS. The headings throughout the Agreement are for reference purposes only, and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction or meaning of the provisions of this Agreement.

22. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. Additional or modifying provisions set forth in the attached EXHIBIT A are incorporated herein by reference.

23. SEVERABILITY. In the event any of the provisions of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to any state or federal law, the remaining provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

24. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.

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EXHIBIT A

Special Provisions

1. This grant agreement may be terminated upon thirty (30) days written notice by either party.
2. Any funds advanced to "the Sub-Recipient" must be returned to "the State" if the grant agreement is terminated for any reason other than completion of the project.
3. Any funds advanced to "the Sub-Recipient" must be expended within thirty (30) days of receiving the advanced funds.
4. "The Sub-Recipient" agrees to have an audit conducted in compliance with OMB Circular 2 CFR 200, if applicable. If a compliance audit is not required, at the end of each audit period "the Sub-Recipient" will certify in writing that they have not expended the amount of federal funds that would require a compliance audit (\$750,000). If required, they will forward for review and clearance a copy of the completed audit(s) to "the State".

Additionally, "the Sub-Recipient" has or will notify their auditor of the above requirements prior to performance of the audit. "The Sub-Recipient" will also ensure that, if required, the entire grant period will be covered by a compliance audit, which in some cases will mean more than one audit must be submitted. "The Sub-Recipient" will advise the auditor to cite specifically that the audit was done in accordance with OMB Circular 2 CFR 200. "The Sub-Recipient" will also ensure that all records concerning this grant will be kept on file for a minimum of three (3) years from the end of this audit period.

5. The "Sub-Recipient" will be required to provide the formally approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plan electronically at the completion of the project.

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2.) [Signature]

3.) [Signature]

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EXHIBIT B

Scope of Work, Project Tasks & Deliverables, and Project Review & Conditions

1. SCOPE OF WORK

The Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (hereinafter referred to as "the State") is awarding the **Town of Effingham** (hereinafter referred to as "the Sub-Recipient") \$7,500.00 within the Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant.

"The Sub-Recipient" shall utilize the above referenced funding to update the hazard mitigation plans for the Town of Effingham in accordance with 44 CFR Part 201.

"The Sub-Recipient" agrees that the period of performance ends on August 4, 2025 and by that date the aforementioned hazard mitigation plans must be completed and have received formal approval by New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM). All completed invoices must be sent to "the State" by September 4, 2025, thirty (30) days after the period of performance ends and a final performance and expenditure report will be sent to "the State" by September 4, 2025 .

2. PROJECT TASKS AND DELIVERABLES – NEW LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Project tasks and deliverables within this section are to be referenced for the reimbursement process. Per the Scope of Work, "the Sub-Recipient" is required to develop/update the community's local hazard mitigation plan in accordance with 44 CFR Part 201 to ensure formal approval.

The Town/City, NH will prepare a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in accordance with FEMA guidelines for Hazard Mitigation Planning. The Town/City may be assisted, by a vendor of their choice, for this scope of work. The Town/City's updated plan will address mitigation of multiple natural hazards that may affect the community, including Avalanche, Coastal Flooding, Inland Flooding, Drought, Earthquake, Extreme Temperatures, High Wind Events, Landslide, Lightning, Severe Winter Weather, Solar Storms and Space Weather, Tropical and Post-Tropical Cyclones, and Wildfires.

The planning process will include the following actions and elements:

Task 1-3

1. Grant Award and Contracting:

The community will procure services to facilitate this planning process update

- Official Notification of Award
- Provide Contractor Selection to NH HSEM
- Execute a contract

2. Select and Hire a Vendor:

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The vendor will document the process used to develop the updated plan, including but not limited to:

- How the plan update was prepared
- Who was involved in this process
- How the public was involved (i.e., Community outreach, local planning team participation)

3. Convene a local Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee:

The Town/City will convene a local Hazard Mitigation Planning Team. Members should include a cross-section of the community, such as residents, government officials, community leaders and business owners. This team will serve as a liaison to the vendor and assist in the plan update by providing access to relevant local data, facilitating community input on plan recommendations and priorities, reviewing draft products, and assisting with outreach to community stakeholders. With the vendor's facilitation and technical assistance, the Town/City Hazard Mitigation Planning Team will:

- Develop a mission statement
- Assign roles and responsibilities
- Develop a specific timeline for planning activities
- Hold a minimum of two community public meetings during the planning process update, one during the production of the plan update, and one during the review of the draft plan update,
- Solicit input from key stakeholders in the community, including business associations, local or regional institutions, local NGO's, and residents.
- Conduct local outreach to stakeholders through postings on the municipal web site, outreach to local print and/or online press, and use of local access cable TV where available. Outreach to neighboring communities will also be conducted.
- Provide input regarding the feasibility and prioritization of mitigation measures
- Review the draft plan update and its goals and proposed mitigation projects
- Oversee the implementation, maintenance and updating of the plan update

Task 4. Revisit the Hazard Profiles for each Hazard that impacts the community:

- Using the best available existing data, the vendor will update a map of areas affected by multiple natural hazards for the Town/City. A set of hazard maps will be included within the updated Hazard Mitigation plan, and GIS files will be made available to the Town/City for integration with their other community plans. These maps will be the basis for the communities known hazards. The hazard identification update will include an assessment of the community's risks that summarizes the vulnerability of each hazard based on the location, extent, probability, and severity of the hazards. A vulnerability analysis will be conducted; your vendor may consider using FEMA's HAZUS-MH, as well as, a GIS map analysis to delineate those critical facilities that are located within mapped hazard areas.
- The Town/City will update the description and prioritization of the natural hazards that have occurred within the community since the last plan update.

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Task 5. Facility Inventory:

The Town/City will prepare an updated inventory of facilities and explain how these facilities intersect with the known hazards for the community. This task will be based on input from the community and the best available state and local information. This data may be used to develop updated GIS maps of the following items:

- Critical facilities, including the following, if they exist in the community:
 - Emergency operations centers
 - City or town offices
 - Water and wastewater treatment plants
 - Sewage pumping stations
 - Police or fire stations
 - Schools
 - Hospitals
 - Day-care facilities
 - Public works garages
 - Nursing homes/elderly housing
 - Emergency shelters
- Economic Drivers:
 - Large Businesses
 - Large Employers
 - Historical or Cultural sites
- All repetitive flood loss structures and structures which have incurred substantial damage, if they exist, as defined by FEMA. These buildings(s) must be analyzed by type (Commercial / Residential), number, and general location as it relates to the known hazard areas. The addresses and associated data will be provided, upon request to, the community by the State NFIP Coordinator.
- Land use maps that depict the location of developed land uses, delineated by categories based on use (e.g., residential, commercial, industrial, institutional, other public use, etc.) and how it intersects with known hazards.
- Anticipated future land use areas and how they intersect with known hazards.

Task 6: Vulnerability:

Based on the previous information from Task 5, the Town/City will update the overview of each of the specific hazards and the community's vulnerability to those specific hazards. This vulnerability assessment, if possible, will include:

- Problem Statements: These will summarize the biggest issues for the community in terms of; Types and numbers of buildings, infrastructure, and critical facilities located in the hazard areas.
- All existing multiple hazard protection measures within the community, including protective measures under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).
- A description of each measure, the method of enforcement, and/or the point of contact responsible for implementation of each measure.
- Historical performance of each measure and a description of improvements or changes needed.
- General description of land uses and development trends to incorporate future land use decisions.

Task 7. Mitigation Goals:

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The Town/City, with vendor support, will update the mitigation strategies specific to the community's exposure to and impacts from identified natural hazards. The strategy will include:

- Create, edit, or delete goals as needed;
- Obtain public input;
- Analyze existing capabilities;
- Review mitigation actions in the previous plan and identify progress implementing those actions (include current status along with reasons why there may have been little or no progress).
- Describe how the community's priorities have changed since the previous Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Include a description of the NFIP program and how the community will continue compliance over the next five years.
- Update a list of mitigation goal statements that focus on reducing the risks from the identified natural hazards. The goal development and project prioritization will be conducted by the Hazard Mitigation Planning Team. An example of a goal statement and an objective would be:
 - GOAL: Increase coordination between Federal, state, municipal, and private resources in pre-disaster planning, post-disaster recovery, and continuous hazard mitigation implementation.
 - OBJECTIVE: Identify the availability of additional private and public sector financial incentives for homeowners, businesses and municipalities that will allow the development and implementation of cost-effective hazard mitigation measures in high-risk areas.

Task 8. Actions:

A section that identifies and analyzes a comprehensive range of specific mitigation actions and projects being considered to reduce the effects of each hazard, with particular emphasis on new and existing buildings and infrastructure. This section will include a list of prioritized hazard mitigation projects that best meet the communities' needs for multiple hazard damage reduction:

- These projects may be non-structural (e.g., planning, regulatory measures, property acquisition, retrofitting, elevation) or structural (e.g., seawalls, dams, dikes) solutions.
- At a minimum, this list of prioritized projects will be based on a process that results in identification of cost-effective hazard mitigation projects with public input, including:
 - An analysis of proposed mitigation projects focused on several key areas, including but not limited to economic (including benefits and costs), engineering, technical, legal, environmental, social, and political feasibility. Selected options will best fit the community's needs and meet most or all aspects of the feasibility analysis.
 - Coordination with relevant Federal and state agencies for input and technical assistance.
- Revise and update the mitigation action plan.
- Identify integration opportunities throughout the community, as well as, how the data and information from the previous plan was integrated into other mechanisms over the last five years

Task 9. Plan Review, Evaluation, and Implementation

In order to continue to be an effective representation of the jurisdiction's overall strategy for reducing its risks from natural hazards, the mitigation plan must reflect current conditions. This will require an assessment of the current development patterns and development pressures as well as an evaluation of any new hazard or risk information.

- The plan must describe changes in development that have occurred in hazard prone areas and increased or decreased the vulnerability of each jurisdiction since the last plan was approved.

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- The plan must describe the status of the hazard mitigation actions in the previous plan by identifying those that have been completed or not completed. For actions that have not been completed, the plan must either describe whether the action is no longer relevant or be included as part of the updated action plan.
- The plan must describe if and how any priorities changed since the plan was previously approved. If no changes in priorities are necessary, plan updates may validate the information in the previously approved plan.

Task 10. Maintenance:

- The Town/City in conjunction with the planning team will monitor, evaluate, and update the plan.
- The Planning Team will assist the Town/City in the implementation and incorporation of the plan's goals into other local planning processes, such as a Comprehensive Plan, or other local by-laws and ordinances.
- The completed plan update will include an implementation schedule with procedures for ensuring the plan's implementation, updating and revision every five years.

Task 11. Public Review of Draft:

- The Planning Team will work with the community for continued public involvement to include public review of the draft plan.

Task 12. Review and Approval:

- Submit the plan update to NH HSEM /FEMA for review; revised based on NH HSEM/FEMA comments; submit revised plan update for approval pending adoption.
- When APA is received, the plan update will be brought before the City Council or Board of Selectmen in the community for adoption.
- Send the final adopted plan update to NH HSEM/FEMA, Receive approval by FEMA.
- Non-regulatory Grant Closeout

3. PROJECT REVIEW AND CONDITIONS

“The Sub-Recipient” shall submit quarterly progress reports, drafts, and final updated local hazard mitigation plans for aforementioned communities. Quarterly reporting shall begin in the quarter in which this grant agreement is approved, shall be submitted within fifteen (15) days after the end of a quarter, and shall continue until the project is completed.

“The Sub-Recipient” agrees to submit draft plans to HSEM, electronically, for review and comment. Upon notification of Approvable Pending Adoption (APA) the Sub-Recipient shall obtain community adoption of the plan no later than twelve months from APA and submit electronic copies of the adoption documentation and the final plan for Formal Approval.

“The Sub-Recipient” further agrees to promptly address all required revisions arising from HSEM reviews, and resubmit revised draft plan(s) to HSEM.

Sub-Recipient Initials: 1.) JTH

2.) JAN 11

3.)

Date: 7/9/21

"The Sub-Recipient" agrees to provide copies of the formally approved plans to HSEM in electronic format upon receipt of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's approval letter.

"The Sub-Recipient agrees to comply with all applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations, and requirements.

"The Sub-Recipient" shall maintain financial records, supporting documents, and all other pertinent records for a period of three (3) years from the grant period end date as identified in HSEM's closeout letter. In these records, "the Sub-Recipient" shall maintain documentation of the 25% cost share required by this grant.

Sub-Recipient Initials: 1.) TTH

2.) TTT

3.) TTT

Date: 7/9/24

EXHIBIT C

Grant Amount and Payment Schedule

1. GRANT AMOUNT

	Sub-Applicant Share	Grant (Federal Share)	Cost Totals
Project Cost	\$2,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$10,000.00
Project Cost is 75% Federal Funds, 25% Applicant Share			
Awarding Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)			
Award Title & #: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) EMB-2021-BR-075			
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 97.047			
Applicant's Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): T35MZ13MQBU7			

2. PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- a. "The Sub-Recipient" agrees the total payment by "the State" under this grant agreement shall be up to **\$7,500.00** and allocated to individual plan development as follows:

Jurisdiction	Federal Share	Sub-Applicant Share
Effingham	\$7,500.00	\$2,500.00

Nothing in this allocation shall affect "the Sub-Recipient's" obligation to maintain financial records including documentation of the 25% cost share required by this grant.

- b. All services shall be performed to the satisfaction of "the State" before payment is made. All payments shall be made upon receipt and approval of stated tasks and upon receipt of associated reimbursement request(s). Documentation of completed deliverables and match committed shall be provided with each payment request. The amount per community is limited to the amounts stated in paragraph "a" above. Payment shall be made in accordance with the following schedule based upon completion of specific tasks and deliverables described in Exhibit A:

Task Completed	% of Individual Plan Cost to be Billed
Task 1. Document the Planning Process	20%
Task 2. Conduct a Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment	20%
Task 3. Identify Mitigation Actions	20%
Task 4. Prioritize Mitigation Actions	20%
Task 5. Submit completed plan for review, revisions, and receive APA status	15%
Task 6. Submit Adopted Plan and receive Formal Approval	5%

- c. Upon Governor and Executive Council Approval, allowable match may be incurred for this project from the start of the federal period of performance of this grant, August 4, 2022, to the identified completion date (block 1.7).

Sub-Recipient Initials: 1.) JTH 2.) [Signature] 3.) [Signature]

Date: 7/9/24

Town of Effingham

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
July 9th, 2024

I, Leo Racine, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Effingham, NH, hereby certify that Jon-Thomas Harmon, Fire Chief, had authority to sign and enter into a grant agreement with the State of NH Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management on July 9th, 2024, for the Town of Effingham, and, further, hereby authorize Jon-Thomas Harmon to execute any and all contract and agreements related to the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Agreement.

I further attest that Jon-Thomas Harmon was granted authority prior to the day the grant agreement was signed, and it has not been amended or repealed as of the day the contract was signed.

A True Copy of the Record,

ATTEST:

Leo Racine
Name Leo Racine
Title Chair Selectman

State: New Hampshire

County:

On this 9th day of JULY 2024, before me, CAITLYN M PITTS (notary/JP's name), the undersigned officer, personally appeared LEO RACINE known to me to be the person whose name is signed on the foregoing document and acknowledged to me that he signed voluntarily for its stated purpose and that it was his free act and deed.

In witness thereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

CAITLYN M PITTS
Justice of the Peace/Notary
Commission Expires: _____
CAITLYN M. PITTS
NOTARY PUBLIC
State of New Hampshire
My Commission Expires
December 21, 2027



Board of Selectmen - Regular Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 4:00 pm

4:00 - Call to Order

Review of Folders - 30 minutes

4:30 - Board of Selectmen Meeting

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

Chairman Racine led the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Signature Folder

Minutes:

Chairman Racine reviewed the Signature Folder with six Intent to Cut and Woodland Cemetery for a plot.

3. Approval of

a. Manifest dated July 3, 2024, in the amount of \$118,198.01

Minutes:

Chairman Racine made a motion to approve the Manifest dated July 3, 2024, in the amount of \$118,498.01 seconded by Selectman Seamans. Motion Passed (3-0).

b. Manifest dated July 11, 2024, in the amount of \$745,494.08

Minutes:

Chairman Racine made a motion to approve the Manifest dated July 11, 2024, in the amount of \$745,494.08 seconded by Selectman Seamans. Motion Passed (3-0).

c. Minutes dated June 24, 2024

Minutes:

Chairman Racine made a motion to approve the Board of Selectmen Minutes dated June 24, 2024, seconded by Selectman Fuller. Motion Passed (3-0).

4. Review of Mail

Minutes:

Chairman Racine reviewed the mail folder containing an Annual Watershed Celebration at Green Mtn Conversation, Huntress Bridge Rd on July 30th from 4-6 pm.

5. Selectman Reports

a. Selectman Fuller

Minutes:

Selectman Fuller gave an update on the Carroll County Commission with Fidium Fiber coming to town in 2025, dispelling a rumor Effingham was not going to receive the service. Selectman Fuller stated there are a few bags of trash on Elm Street and Town House Road that need to be picked up, Chairman Racine will let Brad know. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES DATED JULY 9, 2024

Selectman Fuller reviews 3 quotes provided by Talis Historic Restoration, 193 windows with Historic Glass for \$6,420. Weatherstripping windows for \$3,000, and creating and restoration of windows for \$9,100. Resident Vicki Kirkwood asked for the total cost for all quotes. Selectman Fuller made a motion to approve the Talis Historic Restoration in the total amount of \$18,520. Seconded by Selectman Seamans. Motion Passed (3-0)

Selectman Fuller announced that Chairman Racine and himself will be fixing and replacing window jams, Kevin Espie will be donating time and materials for the jams. Selectman Fuller gave an update on the Roofing RFP for the Library, due to the repair exceeding the \$15,000 dollars and per the procurement policy it need to be advertised in the statewide newspaper for four weeks, the site visit for bids is July 26th at 9:00 am and bids are due Monday August 29th by 2 pm. Chairman Racine states it should be done with two bids, one for the south side and one for the entire roof. Selectman Fuller announced he received an email from Mary Kate Daley from Eversource offering potential volunteering. Selectman Fuller will ask about the EPS pole being moved, Selectman Seamans brought up streetlights that could be updated or adjusted. Chief Harmon mentioned yardwork at the fire station. Selectman Fuller announced he was meeting with Dave Strauss and Carol Pfister on LCHIP grant restoration work.

b. Selectman Seamans

Minutes:

Selectman Seamans discussed meeting with Bond Counselor, Steve Whitley, from Drummond Woodsum. Selectman Seamans stated he is meeting with Jeff Perry from GMI Monday at 3pm for an overlay on Town House Road. Selectman Seamans stated he also walked Green Mtn. Rd for alligator cracks and has marked with white paint on the roads to identify the cracks to be measured for pricing. Selectman Seamans stated that he cleared the brush from street sign on intersection of Rye Field Rd, and discussion of missing street signs. Selectman Seamans mentioned that the containers at the Transfer Station are being moved. Selectman Seamans asked where we are at with the treatment center and Administrator Pitts stated she is still waiting to hear but will follow up tomorrow. Selectman Seamans stated the wire left on the side of road have been picked up and Chief Harmon stated he made a call. Selectman Seamans stated that a resident at 183 Bailey Road called

and was concerned about the gravel left from the bridge project and is impeding his ability to mow, Seamans did a site review, and he will have Kevin scoop up the pile. Selectman Seamans discusses traffic concerns on weekends and opens discussion regarding toll or no through traffic sign. Resident Vicki Kirkwood asked if other towns are dealing with the same situation. Selectman Seamans gave an update on the storm damage clean up, with just the hill on Old Pound Rd to be fixed, work being done by Mike Pilkovsky and Smith Family Tree.

c. Chairman Racine

Minutes:

Chairman Racine updated the electrical situation at the Transfer Station, with new signs installed. The snowblower was delivered to the Transfer Station and he has submitted a request for additional signs to be ordered to be put on the containers

6. Department Reports

a. Police Department, Chief Eldridge

Minutes:

Chief Eldridge gave an updated with 44 calls, 4 arrests. 60 motor vehicle stops, 5 motor vehicle accidents and the K9 deployed out 3 times. Chief Eldridge explained that the call volume since last June has increased by 414 and for the fourth of July holiday they doubled up on shifts and had 30 motor vehicle stops.

Chief Eldridge mentioned that the GPS on the town roads is showing the speed limit at 55 mph, and he is working on correcting this.

b. Fire Department - Chief Harmon

Minutes:

Chief Harmon gave an update with 33 calls, explaining more calls are outside of the coverage hours, being nights and weekends. Chief Harmon stated at the end of June there were 235 calls, and two ambulance transports due to Action Ambulance was to far out.

Chief Harmon discussed software he is exploring that allows him to pull different metrics for reporting, giving more detail and went over the detail sheet presented to the board.

c. Zoning Enforcement Officer - Rebecca Boyden

Minutes:

Zoning Officer Boyden presented her report with 12 permits. Selectman Seamans questioned Champion Hill address not on the list. Selectman Fuller questioned the driveway on Town House being constructed and a discussion on driveway culverts, logging access and drainage issues. Selectman Seamans stated he asked Mike to dig out a stone that is impeding drainage.

Chairman Racine had questions on a couple of permits.

Zoning Officer Boyden stated the floor in the office area has weakened and needs replacing.

7. Town Administrator Reports

8. Business

a. Create Procedure - Contacting Legal

Minutes:

Chairman Racine started the discussion on a procedure in contacting legal with having a procedure written up for the boards to have permission from selectboard before contacting legal. Selectman Fuller states that legally they have the right and NHMA should be contacted first. Administrator Pitts has not seen a procedure and will write one up.

b. Fire Department - Chief Harmon

Minutes:

Chief Harmon discussed an email from State Security for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. \$7,500 towards updating our hazardous mitigation plan that is required every five years, estimated cost is \$10,000 and the town portion is \$2,500. Chief Harmon need the board to vote to accept the grant and authorize him to fill out the paperwork. Selectman Seamans made a motion to accept the terms of the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant in the amount of \$7,500 for updating our Hazardous Mitigation Plan, cost of this project is \$10,000 and the town will be responsible for 25% match of \$2,500, seconded by Chairman Racine. Motion Passed (3-0) Selectman Seamans made a motion that the Fire Chief is authorized to sign all documents related to the grant. seconded by Chairman Racine. Motion Passed (3-0).

Chief Harmon discussed draft paperwork for the Town of Freedom sharing the emergency shelter and Chief Harmon will sign as the board has already approved. Chief Harman discussed the final copy of the RFP for the refurbishment of Engine 2.

Selectman Fuller made the motion to get advertise the RFP for Engine 2's refurbishment, seconded by Chairman Racine. Motion Passed (3-0).

9. Announcements

Minutes:

None

10. Public Comment

Minutes:

Vicki Kirkwood stated there is a Budget Committee meeting next Tuesday and has concern that the audience is unable to hear the side conversation the board has, and they all stated for the audience to ask them to speak up and Selectman Seamans stated that he was able to fix the equipment and can turn on the microphones.

11. Non-Public

a. Non-Public pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c) Reputation

Minutes:

Chairman Racine makes a motion to enter nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) Personnel, seconded by Selectman Seamans. Motion passed (3-0). Nonpublic session convened at 6:06 pm. Chairman Racine made a motion to come out of nonpublic, seconded by Selectman Fuller. Motion Passed (3-0). Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:55 pm.

12. Adjournment

Minutes:

Chairman Racine made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Selectman Fuller. Motion passed (3-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Contact: Caitlyn Pitts, Town Administrator (admin@effinghamh.net 603.539.7770) | Minutes published on
07/23/2024, adopted on 07/23/2024



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) is organized under the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 5-B, Pooled Risk Management Programs. In accordance with those statutes, its Trust Agreement and bylaws, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ may extend the same coverage to non-members. However, any coverage extended to a non-member is subject to all of the terms, conditions, exclusions, amendments, rules, policies and procedures that are applicable to the members of Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ Board of Trustees. The Additional Covered Party's per occurrence limit shall be deemed included in the Member's per occurrence limit, and therefore shall reduce the Member's limit of liability as set forth by the Coverage Documents and Declarations. The limit shown may have been reduced by claims paid on behalf of the member. General Liability coverage is limited to Coverage A (Personal Injury Liability) and Coverage B (Property Damage Liability) only, Coverage's C (Public Officials Errors and Omissions), D (Unfair Employment Practices), E (Employee Benefit Liability) and F (Educator's Legal Liability Claims-Made Coverage) are excluded from this provision of coverage.

The below named entity is a member in good standing of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange. The coverage provided may, however, be revised at any time by the actions of Primex³. As of the date this certificate is issued, the information set out below accurately reflects the categories of coverage established for the current coverage year.

This Certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend, or alter the coverage afforded by the coverage categories listed below.

Participating Member: Town of Effingham 68 School Street Effingham, NH 03882		Member Number: 164	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ PO Box 23 Hooksett, NH 03106-9716		
Type of Coverage		Effective Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply, If Not:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General Liability (Occurrence Form)	1/1/2024	1/1/2025	Each Occurrence	\$ 2,000,000
	Professional Liability (describe)			General Aggregate	\$ 10,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence			Fire Damage (Any one fire)	
				Med Exp (Any one person)	
	Automobile Liability Deductible Comp and Coll: <input type="checkbox"/> Any auto			Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) Aggregate	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	1/1/2024	1/1/2025	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory	
				Each Accident	\$ 2,000,000
				Disease – Each Employee	\$ 2,000,000
				Disease – Policy Limit	
	Property (Special Risk includes Fire and Theft)			Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)	
Description: Proof of Primex Member coverage only.					

CERTIFICATE HOLDER:	Additional Covered Party	Loss Payee	Primex³ – NH Public Risk Management Exchange
			By: <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i>
			Date: 9/10/2024 mpurcell@nhprimex.org
State of New Hampshire - DOS Homeland Security & Emergency Management 33 Hazen Dr. Concord, NH 03305			Please direct inquires to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax