

August 12 – 10:00 – Directors April, Cohn and Polhemus met with McLane to go over the Project Worksheets. Final worksheets figures differ from the Lahaie verbal comments on July 12th and consisted of:

- **CAT A Funding – Donated Volunteer Resources - FEMA has a regulation, FEMA will pay 75%, and ICRC will pay 25% for any money given. Since the credit was \$6,035.00, ICRC will not have to pay anything against the money to be paid in CAT B described in next paragraph.**
- **CAT B was for materials that we had to purchase, cleaning supplies, boxes, containers, tubs uses for packing and transporting material to Mashantucket and furnishes lost in the flood, bookcase, computer desks, file cabinets, rugs, etc.) This figure was \$8,512.56. The McLane and Cohn signed off on these worksheets which will now be sent to Boston for final review and if approved, (may take a week or two) FEMA will issue a certificate of credit to the State of CT. ICRC will then have to go through the state procedures to obtain the money (not sure just how we do that yet).**
- **CAT E to restore ICRC back to pre-disaster conditions which amounts to another \$8,671.12 and ICRC will have to kick in 25% of this figure. (FEMA will not offer grant moneys for remediation i.e. to raise the floor or the building). CAT E has not been approved by Congress yet, FEMA rep said he thought it was on President's desk to be signed. Cohn and McLane signed off on this worksheet. So we have now completed the FEMA phase. Hallelujah!**

Update on Flood Damage

- **April 7 – July 8 – Various Interactions with Department of Emergency Management & Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Department of Emergency and Homeland Security (DEHMS) and Small Business Administration (SBA) and others were recorded and reported.**
- **July 12 Monday - 5:00 PM – Directors April, Cohn, O’Connell, and Polhemus met with Lahaie (FEMA Representative). Lahaie discussed Project Worksheets that had been prepared.**
- Donated Labor \$5,250 was submitted to be credited as ICRC 25% contribution against FEMA 75%.
- Cat B Expenses (supplies needed to get rid of mold; storage boxes, etc.) \$1,611.42 was submitted.
- Administration Fee (for filling out all the paper work with FEMA; SBA ;) was ineligible because ICRC doesn’t have paid staff.

Cat E Expenses: have not been **approved by Congress – (possible 4th of August date was given)** these expenses included furniture, file cabinets, rugs, etc. \$7,151.70

- Cat E Expenses: Interior Repairs to building (sheetrock, insulation, flooring, doors, Labor, etc.) \$8,369.30
- Mitigating Request to raise the floor 16” is under a Title 406 FEMA fund which would add \$15,000. Cohn pointed out if the floor is raised 16” the bookcases and books would not fit. The ceiling in this room has some storage space but also has pipes, ductwork so it could not be raised.

This was the last meeting with Lahaie as he was leaving to go back to New Hampshire where he lives. He suggested that we look into further mitigation for Title 404 & 406 Mitigation Funding with FEMA.

No written reports or worksheets were presented. Other contacts were made regarding Title 406 & 404 FEMA Mitigation Funding with various other individuals and found that ICRC was ineligible for this funding.

July 19 – Bruce McLane, Project Specialist with FEMA, contacted Cohn stating he was a replacement for Lahaie. McLane requested a meeting to look at the building

July 21 – Cohn and McLane and Peter Duderis (another FEMA representative) met at ICRC. McLane is a builder from Cape Cod, MA. McLane said only towns could apply for Title 404 funding and he would look into Title 406 funding.

July 22 – McLane sent an email to Cohn stating that ICRC would not receive any Title 404 funding. He said he would be back in touch after he received the initial review of the Project Worksheets.

July 29 – Board of Directors met at Joan Cohn’s house for an update. A letter was written during the meeting and sent to all ICRC members stating that “after four months of negotiations, FEMA would not provide the funding needed to restore the ICRC building and if ICRC does not use the building, it would revert back to the Town of Stonington.” The letter also stated intentions of Joan Cohn to resign as President and asked members for comments or suggestions.