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Stormwater Utility Update

PURPOSE: The purpose of this agenda item is to provide an update on Stormwater Utility activities in the second half of 2018.

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INFORMATION: Following on the adoption of a rate structure in June, 2018, the second half of 2018 saw the Stormwater Utility begin to transition from a formative stage to an operational stage. A staff memo has been prepared that summarizes stormwater activities. Hurricane Florence and other storm events were major drivers for staff workload. The latter part of 2018 included an emphasis on supporting the current FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) grant, submittal of a new Letter of Interest for new HMGP funding, and initial exploration of FEMA Public Assistance funding. Moving forward, Stormwater staff recommend that the Town update Town's 1984 Drainage Policy and take steps towards establishment of a residential assistance program in 2019. These and other topics are discussed in the staff memo.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: There is no impact with receiving this update. There will be a staff impact for time spent working with the Stormwater Advisory Commission and looking into an update to the Drainage Policy and establishment of a residential assistance program.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommend that the Board of Aldermen receive this memo, and direct staff to work with the Stormwater Advisory Commission to review the Town's Drainage Policy and provide recommendations for a residential assistance program, and provide a report for the Board in the late spring.