

# Town of Oxford S.B. Church Memorial Town Hall 486 Oxford Road Oxford, CT 06478-1298 Phone: (203) 888-2543

Oxford Main Street Project Committee Regular Meeting Tuesday, September 24, 2019 12:30 PM - Hearing Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathleen O'Neil at 12:32 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chairman Kathleen O'Neil, Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo, Mary LoPresti, Robbi Costigan, Susan Kovacs, Tanya Carver, Pat Cocchiarella

Absent: Mary Beth Nelsen, Chrissy Kimball

Also Present: Herman Schuler

Audience of Citizens: None

## ACCEPTANCE OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

## MOTION:

Susan Kovacs moved to accept the September 10, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. 5 Ayes. 2 Abstains. Motion carries.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

## **AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS**

None.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

## 1. 501(c)(3) Status

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo and Herman Schuler have been working for two (2) weeks on obtaining the monies turned over to the State for the 501(c)(3). Atty. Peter Donnelly sent Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo a form that requires \$50.00 to obtain

funds. Chairman Kathleen O'Neil instructed him to submit a check, which will then be reimbursed. Also discussed was the need to establish board members for the 501(c)(3). The corporation will have seven (7) board members who will minimally meet once a quarter. Their charge will be to seek funding for the nature preserve, center and walkway. There will also need to be a base amount for the corporate errors and omissions.

## 2. Action Plan Steps 3, 4, and 5

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil reviewed and discussed the OMSP Action Plan with the Committee:

- The routing plan is in process. TranSystems was selected to create the routing plan, an agreement has been signed and municipal grant matches obtained.
- The 501(c)(3) should plan to have a fundraising event before year-end.
- LOTCIP has been applied for and received in the amount of \$3.3 Million.
- Preserve site work will be slated for spring.
- Another \$1.5 Million has been applied for. Oxford Main Street Project is Contingency 2. Completion of the routing plan is required.
- The 501(c)(3) will obtain grants and donations to fund Year 5.

#### 3. RFPs for site work - reforestation

It will be determined whether an RFP will be offered again in the spring, or if the site work will become part of a grant.

#### 4. Volunteers - need coordinator

OMSP had 25 volunteers sign up to work on the nature preserve.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 1. Connecticut Community Foundation Grant

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil stated she will find out what will be available. These grants will go under the corporation.

#### 2. Eversource Grant

This is a smaller grant which will be written for OMSP.

#### 3. ION Bank Grant

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil indicated that this will be a \$10,000.00 award, and ION Bank also wants to have its own volunteer day.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

# **MOTION**:

Tanya Carver moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:23 PM. This was seconded by Pat Cocchiarella. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LoPresti

**OMSP** Committee Member

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