



## TOWN OF OXFORD

Oxford Main Street Project Committee  
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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday February 8, 2022  
12:30 p.m.

Present: Jeff Luff, Helen Leung, Pat Cocchiarella, Tony Sanangelo, Tanya Carver, Mary Beth Nelson, & Jim Sanders

Absent: Chrissy Kimball

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by Chairman Jeff Luff and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **Acceptance of Minutes**

1/11/2022 Regular Meeting

Pat moved to approve the 1/11/2022 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Tony. All ayes. Motion carries.

#### **Amendment of the Agenda**

New Business agenda item c. will be addressed before agenda item a. for the convenience of our guest presenters, Aaron Budris and Mark Neilson of NVCOG

#### **New Business**

##### **a. Road Study Report**

Aaron Budris of NVCOG presented and summarized the final report of the Oxford Route 67 Alternative Transportation Study and answered questions from OMSP Committee members. The report was prepared by TranSystems and NVCOG and will be presented to the Board of Selectmen for approval and adoption by the Town at its next meeting on 2/16/2022.

##### **b. South Sidewalk Project status**

Remaining work include painting of crosswalk striping and installation of meter for light service. After project completion, we will work on installing bollards as an additional safety feature.

##### **c. OMSP Website and Facebook Page**

Jeff has access to the site and is able to update, as needed.

##### **d. Tri-Fold Informational Pamphlet & FAQ page**

Mary Beth and Helen are continuing work on the FAQs page. Chrissy was not in attendance to address the status of the tri-fold. Jeff hopes to get the tri-fold completed, approved and printed

##### **e. Treasurer Report**

- i. Town was recently awarded \$489,621 from the **Connecticut Connectivity Grant Program (CCGP Round 4)** for the **Little River Nature Preserve and Municipal Center** project which includes:

- Little River Nature Preserve trail and a bridge
- North Sidewalk from Town Hall to the old OCS
- Option of using town resources or volunteers is allowable under the grant, on the condition that prior approval is received from the grant funder

- ii. Board of Selectmen approved the request for approximately \$92,000 of funds to pay for the engineering and design of OMSP Phase II (Dutton Road to Quarry Walk) to make the project shovel-ready for future grant applications

**Audience of Citizens** (items not on the Agenda)

None

**501(C)3 Committee Report** as reported by Tony Sanangelo, Chairman OMSP 501(c)3

- Last meeting held 1/24/2022 at 7:00 PM (4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month)
- Committee for bricks is working on marketing and pricing. Still need to determine quantity available for sale.
- We have 2 new members. One is Dawn Soter who owns the Alpaca farm on Punkup Rd. and works at the Nature Center in Ansonia. She will be a great asset to assist in building our own Nature Center
- Jim has submitted a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting the Police Station be transformed into a Nature Center after the Police move to their new location. It is on the BOS Meeting Agenda for 2/16/2022. Jim invited all members to attend and support this request.
- BH Care and Tom Haynes co-presented a successful PLR car show community event June of last year. This year the event will benefit PCRC (Parent Child Resource Center). We hope they will allow the OMSP 501(c)3 to put up booth this year.
- Thule donated \$4500 and gathered a group of volunteers to assist in removing invasive species in the Little River Nature Preserve in the past. Will need to determine who is the contact at Thule for continued support and volunteers
- Stihl has expressed some interest in supporting the OMSP. Will need to go through their head office for financial support.

**Other Business** (Any other items the Committee deems necessary for discussion)

- a. Jeff has developed a new website call the Oxford Scoop to share information about the Oxford Main Street Project and other news related to the Town. Please collect emails and phone numbers to be added to the distribution list.

**Adjournment**

Pat moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Tony. All Ayes. Motion carries.  
Meeting adjourned at 1:17 PM

Respectfully submitted and subject to approval,

Jeff Luff  
OMSP Chairman

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