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Oxford Main Street Project Committee Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 23, 2019 12:30 PM - Hearing Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathleen O'Neil at 12:33 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chairman Kathleen O'Neil, Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo, Kathy Johnson, Tanya Carver, Mary LoPresti, Robbi Costigan

Absent: Andrew McGeever, Chrissy Kimball, Pat Cocchiarella

Also Present: Susan Kovacs (Newtown Savings Bank)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION:

Tanya Carver moved to approve the April 9, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. All Ayes. Motion carries.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Transportation Alternate Grant vote results and update.

There were three (3) votes to connect the sidewalks to Quarry Walk, and three (3) votes for the bridges and trails in the preserve. Chairman Kathleen O'Neil is writing the narratives for both plans. The grant requires a termini as a requirement for grant approval, which the connection to Quarry Walk will

provide. The surveyor will recommend the sidewalk placements from Dutton Road to Quarry Walk.

2. Thule Volunteer Day, April 26, 2019, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Thule Group Volunteer Day is scheduled for Arbor Day, Friday, April 26, 2019. The rain date is Friday, May 17, 2019. Lunch will be at 12:00 PM at the Oxford Baking Company, and the work within the preserve will last until 4:00 PM. Everything is set for the day: lunch, police, public works, porta potty rental, cones. It is expected that Thule Group will have at least 15 volunteers.

3. RFQ/RFP for Little River site preparation

The RFQ/RFP was published on April 18, 2019 for the site preparation for Little River. There will be a pre-bid conference on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at the Oxford Baking Company at 9:30 AM. This will be to review the requirements for the bid. A bids review committee was formed of OMSP commission members:

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo Robbi Costigan Mary LoPresti

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dontation Tiers

The OMSP commission will need to decide on contribution tiers for the Little River Nature Preserve. This will include benches with plaques, sidewalk bricks, archway plaques, etc.. Photos of existing tier boards and plaques have been taken of other existing projects from around the State and will be used as templates for the development of the Little River Nature Preserve tiers. These will need to be in place by the meeting on June 19, 2019. The first goal will be to build the bridge and the entrance archway.

2. Fundraising and publicity dates

There will be a table for OMSP set up at the bicycle event at Quarry Walk on Sunday, June 9, 2019. Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo will be in charge of fundraising. The committee reviewed the OMSP poster created by Mary LoPresti which will be displayed at the event. Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo's name will be added to the poster, as will the direct phone number for Chairman Kathleen O'Neil. A push for volunteers to assist with the creation of the preserve (Phase I of the project) will be the focus of OMSP at this event.

OMSP will also make a presentation at a meeting on June 19, 2019 for major businesses that will be sponsored by the Oxford Economic Development Commission. The goal will be to obtain business sponsors for the building of the preserve bridge and the entrance archway. It was also recommended to tie in other non-profit organizations for a town-wide initiative for the preserve.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 PM. This was seconded by Mary LoPresti. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LoPresti

OMSP Committee Member

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