# Oxford Main Street Project Committee Regular Meeting

# <u>Tuesday, June 13, 2017</u> 1:30 PM – Town Hall Hearing Room

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathleen O'Neil at 2:35pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present:

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil, Vice-Chairman Herman Schuler, Planning and Zoning Commisioners Pat Cocchiarella and Tanya Carver, Economic Development Director Andy McGeever, Selectman Kathy Johnson, Robbi Costigan, Tony SanAngelo and Staff Advisor Brian Miller

#### Acceptance of Minutes

#### **MOTION:**

Tanya Carver moved to accept the May 23, 2017 Meeting Minutes, this was seconded by Pat Cocchiarella. All Ayes. Motion carries.

#### Amendments to the Agenda

None

Correspondence: Letter to Rick Dunne, Executive Directive, NVCOG

See Attached

#### **Old Business:**

### 1. Logo Contest

# **MOTION:**

Tanya Carver moved to award Jared Poulsen the logo contest winner. This was seconded by Kathy Johnson. All Ayes motion carries.

Discussion: Jared Poulsen is the winner of the logo contest. He is a junior at Oxford High School and is very interested in pursuing graphic design. The Committee awarded him \$500 for winning the contest. His logo will be used by the committee on letterheads, etc.

#### 2. Subcommittees

#### **MOTION:**

Kathy Johnson moved to approve the following subcommittees, this was seconded by Tanya Carver. All Ayes. Motion carries.

**Sub-Committees:** 

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

Tanya Carver Kathy Johnson Anthony SanAngelo

### **PRIVATE and BUSINESS FUNDING**

Andy McGeever Kathleen O'Neil Robbi Costigan

### **GRANT APPLICATIONS:**

Kathleen O'Neil Robbi Costigan

### **TRAILS**

Herman Schuler Pat Cocchiarella

### 3. Recap of Aaron Budris' Presentation

The presentation was very informative, helpful and much appreciated by the committee.

#### **New Business:**

1. Herman Schuler – discussion of the survey questions that are relevant to the OMSP

Herman discussed the survey question results -8, 9, & 10 as they related to the Main Street Project.

### 2. Responsive Growth and Transit-Oriented Development Program

Kathleen O'Neil is working on a grant application to get a routing study done for the committee. Aaron Budris recommended the committee apply for this grant.

### 3. Community Connectivity Program

The committee intends to apply for this grant. Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis and will range from \$75,000 to \$400,000.

#### 4. Action Plan 2017-2018

This was tabled by the committee

### 5. Trout Unlimited and Federal River & Trails Programs

Tony SanAngelo distributed information regarding potential sources of funding for greenway projects.

## 6. Public Input Suggestions

Have an informational meeting for residents
Develop Powerpoint presentation
Form Friends of Main Street Project
Informational meeting for businesses
Involve Town organizations, i.e. Lions Club, Garden Club, etc.
Install signs
Newspaper articles
Radio and TV spots

#### Adjournment

# **MOTION:**

Robbi Costigan moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:09pm. This was seconded by Pat Cocchiarella. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted, subject to approval

Robbi Costigan Secretary/Clerk



# TOWN OF OXFORD

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May 5, 2017

Mr. Rick Dunne
Executive Director
Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments
49 Leavenworth Street
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Dear Mr. Rick Dunne:

I am writing this letter to formally request a transit study from the NVCOG for the Town of Oxford. The Town of Oxford had submitted an application to the Department of Transportation's FAST Act Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) for the Little River Walkway. Unfortunately, the application was denied. During a presentation to the Oxford Main Street Project Committee, Aaron Budris, Senior Regional Planner, of NVCOG, gave a critique of the Little River Walkway application. He presented a thorough description of the ways and means for the committee to move forward in the future with its plan for the Oxford Main Street Project (OMSP). One of the suggestions was to authorize a transit study for Oxford. A transit study would have aided the town in its Little River Walkway submission and will definitely help in future grant submissions and designs for the Oxford Main Street Project. In addition, the town will also apply for the 2017 Responsible Growth and Transit Oriented Development Program.

I look forward to working with you on this transit study.

Sincerely,

George R. Temple Oxford First Selectman

Cc: Aaron Budris, NVCOG Senior Regional Planner Kathleen O'Neil, Chair of the Oxford Main Street Committee