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Oxford Main Street Project Committee Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 14, 2020 12:30 PM - Virtual Meeting/Zoom

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, Pat Cocchiarella, Chrissy Kimball, Tanya Carver, Mary Beth Nelsen

Absent: Robbi Costigan, Susan Kovacs

Also Present: Kristyn Rosa (Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman), Jeff Luff (Economic Development Coordinator), Jim Sanders

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION:

Mary Beth Nelsen moved to accept the 6/23/20 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. All Ayes. Motion carries.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MOTION:

Pat Cocchiarella moved to add Chairman Report and Jim Sanders introduction prior to Old Business. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. All Ayes. Motion carries.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND JIM SANDERS INTRODUCTION

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil welcomed Jim Sanders, of 43 Belinsky Circle, to the meeting. She gave a brief introduction of OMSP, reviewed projects and timeline. She also reviewed grants and current status of projects to date, including the status of the Little River Nature Preserve, and the deposit of the check to the 501c3 account. Jim Sanders is associated with the Oxford Land Trust and has formed a Facebook trails group called Oxford, CT Hiking and Beyond. He would be able to work with OMSP in developing a larger volunteer base and would like to assist with the eradication of invasive plants along the trail site. There were questions and discussion with Jim Sanders and Committee members.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Tony SanAngelo, President of 501c3 Report

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo reviewed that he is looking for new members to join the 501c3. Currently, meetings for the 501c3 are not held due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Chairman Kathleen O'Neil added that a grant was obtained for parks, and she is going to inquire if the money can be used for the river bridge in the Little River Nature Preserve.

Discussion held among Committee members regarding the passing of Robbi Costigan's mother.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo moved that the Committee will authorize \$100.00 in flowers or gift to be sent to Robbi Costigan in honor of her mother as well as for future bereavement for other Committee family members. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Services will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday in Waterbury, CT.

MOTION:

Tanya Carver moved to amend the Motion to limit the bereavement amount of \$100.00 to be sent only for immediate family members (parents, spouse and children) of Committee members. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: The amount can be made to charity or for flowers or gift for the loss of an immediate family member.

2. Tee shirts and hats for OMSP volunteers need to be designed, approved and ordered.

Discussion regarding the tee shirt colors and votes cast. Mary LoPresti added that since committee members had voted on either sky blue or electric green, the electric green could be used for the volunteers while the sky blue could be used for Committee members.

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo moved that the sky blue tee shirts will be used for Committee members and the electric green for volunteers. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: The blue will distinguish Committee members from the volunteers.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Jeff Luff, Oxford newly appointed Economic Developer will attend the meeting and address the Committee

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil introduced Jeff Luff, Economic Development Coordinator. Jeff discussed the visibility of OMSP and his desire to link Oxford economic development with the project. Discussion on the use of social media. Chrissy Kimball discussed the website and will have a monetary amount for going live. Discussion on project renderings, video and posters ensued.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Pat Cocchiarella moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 PM. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

May 2.

Mary LoPresti OMSP Committee Member