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Oxford Main Street Project Committee
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 9, 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, Chrissy Kimball

Absent: Andrew McGeever, Robbi Costigan, Pat Cocchiarella

Also Present: Selectman Scott Flaherty, Susan Kovacs (Newtown Savings Bank), Courtney Morehouse (HVA), Stacy Marcell (Northeast Horticultural Services), Mike Horbal (land surveyor), Susan Hotchkiss (William Raveis)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION:

Tanya Carver moved to approve the March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MOTION:

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil moved to amend the agenda to change Approve Donation Tiers to Discuss Donation Tiers. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None

OLD BUSINESS

1. Aris Stalis will present renderings.

Aris Stalis, of Aris Land Studio, LLC, presented four (4) renderings for the Oxford Main Street Project.

MOTION:

Tanya Carver moved to approve payment for the remaining balance of \$3,000.00 owed to Aris Land Studio, LLC for services rendered. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: The work by Aris Land Studio, LLC has been completed. The balance of the fee owed will be paid.

2. Connecticut Connectivity Grant and the OMSP Alternate Transportation Grant municipal funding was approved during a Board of Finance meeting and a town meeting.

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil updated the committee on the status of the grants for OMSP. The Town of Oxford Board of Finance approved the monies for both the Connecticut Connectivity Grant (\$100,000.00 for soft costs) and the OMSP Alternate Transportation Grant (\$15,000.00 match). NVCOG will conduct the alternate transport route, which will include bicycle/pedestrian paths along Rt. 67 and cost, feasibility, constructability, identify right of ways, environmental constraints, conflicting land uses, stakeholder concerns, slopes, recreational opportunities, scenic value, accessibility, public concerns, safety and transportation issues. It will take approximately a year for the routing to be completed.

3. Formal 501(c)(3) letter received.

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo stated that he received the 501(c)(3) letter from the IRS and letter of incorporation from the attorney.

4. 501(c)(3) Bank Account opened.

The account has been opened at Newtown Savings Bank.

5. New grant RFP minimum \$500,000.00.

There is money for people to walk and connect with the outdoors within the Transportation Alternate Set Aside Program. This is very competitive and is perfectly suited for OMSP. The grant will require a 20% match and will go to the Board of Finance for approval.

6. Balance from defunct 501(c)(3).

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil spoke with Melissa Wall. The \$9,271.00 will be transferred to the OMSP account.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation and down-trees estimate by Stacey Marcell of Northeast Horticultural Services.

Stacey Marcell gave an overview of her observations after walking the property twice. She stated that all of the ground prep should be done in the next couple of weeks before the weeds start to grow.

2. Mill Pond Trip.

The Mill Pond trip is not applicable to the project and will be cancelled.

3. Thule Group is scheduled for their first Volunteer Day 2019 on Friday, April 26th.

Thule Group will continue to eradicate invasive plants. There are approximately 30 volunteers. There will be a large area of work around the river bank. Volunteers will be asked to bring rakes, shovels, hoes, spades and bug repellent. Stacey will attend the volunteer day and help supervise which plants need to be taken out (species will be flagged).

4. Discuss Donation Tiers.

MOTION:

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil moved to table this item. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Discussion: Andrew McGeever is not present to discuss the tiers.

5. Date(s) for Fundraising Activities

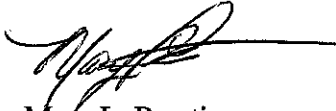
June 9, 2019 will be the PCRC Ride for Children at Quarry Walk. The OMSP Corporation will do various fundraising activities. Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo will oversee the fundraising activities. June 1, 2019 is CT Trails Day.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Kathy Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:45 PM. This was seconded by Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary LoPresti
OMSP Committee Member

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Margaret A. Whit
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