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Oxford Main Street Project Committee Special Meeting Tuesday, September 29, 2020 12:30 PM - Virtual Meeting/Skype

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathleen O'Neil at 12:31 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chairman Kathleen O'Neil, Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo, Mary LoPresti,

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

Absent: Robbi Costigan, Susan Kovacs

Also Present: Scott Flaherty (Grants Dept.), Bob Burke

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Not presented.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil discussed her contact with the Grange, and that the Grange is excited about the project. The Oxford Fire Department, Ambulance and Grange want to join the Oxford Main Street Project. The OMSP Facebook page is a closed group which allows for the monitoring of members and prevents trolling. Businesses will need to be informed of this when they join the site. Procedures for mutual postings were discussed, and discussion ensued among committee members concerning the reposting of information, photos, etc. There are currently 271 members belonging to the OMSP Facebook page. It was noted that the Facebook Committee page only posts under "community". It was recommended that posts be placed on the front page. There was also discussion concerning the participation of the school district with educational activities related to the project. Chairman Kathleen O'Neil reviewed the businesses that the committee will approach.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Chairman's Report - New Grant

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil reported that OMSP will be able to apply for the next Connectivity Grant. DOT granted approval to apply for the next Connectivity Grant. If the grant is awarded, it will provide funding for the following:

- Boardwalks across the other side of the river.
- Walkways.
- Crosswalks.
- Traffic light and other traffic calming.
- Street lights and benches.
- Kiosks, porta potties and signage.

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil stated that Round 2 of the project will be completed early Spring 2021. Round 3 will be completed in the Fall 2021. The Oxford Board of Selectmen would like an overview of grants and project status, and they would like all committee members in attendance. Discussion of memorial bricks and pavers for fundraising. A variety of plaques have been researched. There will be memorial benches with plaques attached.

2. Visibility Campaign

Bob Burke and Mary LoPresti will work on the presentation to be given on Thursday, October 8, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 PM. This was seconded by Mary Beth Nelsen. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary LoPresti

OMSP Committee Member