



Town of Oxford
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Oxford Main Street Project Committee
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 27, 2020
12:30 PM - Virtual Meeting/Skype

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kathleen O'Neil at 12:39 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Chairman Kathleen O'Neil, Robbi Costigan, Mary LoPresti, Tanya Carver, Chrissy Kimball

Absent: Susan Kovacs, Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo, Pat Cocchiarella, Mary Beth Nelsen

Also Present: Scott Flaherty (Grants Dept.)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MOTION:

Tanya Carver moved to approve the October 6, 2020 OMSP Special Meeting Minutes as presented. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. OMSP Presentation

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil reviewed the virtual presentation given on October 7, 2020. There were over 30 people in attendance. The presentation went very well. Mary LoPresti stated that there was positive feedback from those in attendance concerning the presentation and information about the project. Chairman Kathleen O'Neil indicated that the Grange has asked us to speak about the project, and Thule wants to have a meeting to go over future volunteer plans.

2. Website Launch

The OMSP website is in-progress. It is constructed but not on a domain. Chrissy Kimball will launch once payment is received.

3. Volunteers

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil stated that Mary Beth Nelsen will try to do an e-blast for volunteers, including the volunteer list from the outdoor Facebook page. The Oxford Girl Scouts also wish to volunteer.

4. Corporation Report

Vice Chairman Tony SanAngelo was not in attendance to present the report.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fundraising

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil sent the pledge page that was constructed to Chrissy Kimball. She would like this to be presented on the Town web page and the OMSP website.

2. Chairman's Report

Chairman Kathleen O'Neil wrote and submitted the second Community Connectivity Grant for approximately \$480,000. This money will complete the Little River Nature Preserve. The items that will be completed will include the bridge, boardwalk, 2,700 bricks for the forum, benches, lighting and sidewalks on the Town Hall side of Rt. 42. Jim Sanders' hiking group offered to construct a trail on the other side of the Little River. The Girl Scouts have volunteered to do anything needed from planting to making signs. A second bridge will be constructed. This can be done as an Eagle Scout project. By 2021, 10-foot wide sidewalks, lighting with amber light, benches, trails and the forum will be installed. The sidewalks for this part of the project will extend from the other side of the Oxford Town Hall to the other side of the old Center School. The police station will be shared with OMSP and the Historical Society. Discussion among committee members regarding the fundraising bricks, memorial benches and t-shirts.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Tanya Carver moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:12 PM. This was seconded by Chrissy Kimball. All Ayes. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary LoPresti', followed by a horizontal line.

Mary LoPresti
OMSP Committee Member