

**Old Colony Planning Council
Minutes of the Meeting
February 24, 2016**

The five hundred and twenty fourth meeting of the Old Colony Planning Council was held on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at the Council offices located at 70 School Street, Brockton, MA

OCPC Delegates/Alternates Present

David Klein	Abington
Robert Moran, Jr.	Brockton
Jeanmarie Joyce	Easton
Robert Overholtzer	Hanson
Daniel Trabucco	Pembroke
Christine Joy	Plympton
Robert Kuver	Stoughton
Eldon F. Moreira	West Bridgewater
Fred Gilmetti	Whitman

Communities Not Represented

Avon
Bridgewater
Duxbury
East Bridgewater
Halifax
Hanover
Kingston
Plymouth
Delegate-At-Large

Others Present

Janet O'Donnell	Guyder Hurley P.C.
Pasquale Ciaramella	OCPC
Bruce Hughes	OCPC
Charles Kilmer	OCPC

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** In the absence of Council President Lee Hartmann, Council Treasurer Fred Gilmetti called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- 2. MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Council Treasurer Gilmetti called for a moment of silence for the passing of long term Council Delegates Mr. Eugene Creedon of Kingston and Mr. Anthony Anacki of Bridgewater. Both gentlemen served their communities and OCPC with distinction for many years. They are remembered and missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing them.
- 3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** Council Treasurer Gilmetti read the roll call.
- 4. MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2016 MEETING:** Council Treasurer Gilmetti asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes as prepared. Mr. Eldon Moreira moved to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Ms. Jeanmarie Joyce. So voted.
- 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY 2016:** Council Executive Director Mr. Pasquale Ciaramella said he will present the January and February, 2016 financial reports at the March Council meeting. OCPC Fiscal Officer Janet McGinty was out on sick leave and has now returned to work so the financial reports will be ready next month.

6. STAFF REPORT: Economic Development: Mr. Ciaramella said that staff has been working on the Economic Development work program and the EDA application for District funding for 2016-2017. The OCPC CEDS Committee met on January 4, 2016. They will next meet on March 7, 2016 at noontime. Area Agency on Aging (AAA): Staff is continuing working on the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and the Ombudsman Programs for FFY 16. A MassDOT 5310 grant application for volunteer transportation funds in the amount of \$106,500 has been filed. This would be for a 3-year grant. Matching funds would come from Title 3 funds. The Long Term Care Ombudsman Program has been recertified. Transportation: We are working on the Route 28 Traffic Study; Avon Pavement Management Study; BAT Ridership Study, Traffic Counting Program and the South Coast Rail Technical Assistance Projects in Bridgewater and Stoughton. Staff continues to provide Technical Assistance to our member communities at their request and are working on numerous projects. Staff continues to work with the South Coast Commuter Rail Taskforce. Staff hosted January and February 2016 JTC and January 2016 MPO meetings. Comprehensive Planning: Staff is working on Local District Technical Assistance (DLTA) projects. Community Septic Management: Staff is continuing with the septic loan program. Communities included in this program are Avon, Cohasset, Hanson, Kingston and Stoughton.

A list of Upcoming Meetings/Events for February/March, 2016 was included in the meeting packet.

7. REGIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS:

Industrial Revenue Bond (Council Action Required)

None

Environmental Notifications (Information only)

None

8. OLD BUSINESS:

A. UPDATE ON THE 2016 DISTRICT LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (DLTA) PROGRAM: Mr. Ciaramella said the following projects have been selected for the 2016 DLTA Program: Abington: Help create a business organization in town, City of Brockton: Prepare GIS shape files for existing zoning districts and data files for properties within those districts, East Bridgewater: Conduct market analysis for East Bridgewater Center, Halifax: Update Housing Production Plan, Plymouth: Continue to provide assistance to Entergy Taskforce, Plympton: Assistance in working with Towns of Kingston, Halifax and Carver to explore regionalization, share services, and collective purchasing opportunities, Stoughton: Create a list of available vacant commercial and industrial properties and land for sale or lease and create a business property site finder to be linked to the town's website, Whitman: 40R Zoning District, Regional: Municipal Aggregation. Other potential projects include a Market Analysis Study for North Abington Center, Complete Streets in Brockton, Zoning Overlay District in West Bridgewater, Housing Production Plan for Whitman and mapping for Duxbury.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT:** Ms. Janet O'Donnell of Guyder Hurley P.C. presented on the OCPC Annual Audit (Fiscal Statements) June 30, 2015 and 2014. Ms. O'Donnell went through the report section by section. She said the Council is doing a good job of making contributions to employee retirement funding. Mr. David Klein moved to accept, seconded by Mr. Eldon Moreira. So voted.
- B. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR 2016-2017.** Mr. Bruce Hughes, OCPC Economic Development/Community Planner presented on the Annual Work Plan and Budget for the Old Colony Planning Council Economic Development District for 2016-2017. Mr. Robert Moran Jr. moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Eldon Moreira. So voted.
- C. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 218 ADOPTING AN ANNUAL WORK PROGRAM FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:** Mr. Hughes presented on OCPC Resolution No. 218. Mr. Robert Overholtzer moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Fred Gilmetti. So voted.
- D. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL RESOLUTION #219 HONORING MR. WILLIAM TEDOLDI FOR SERVING MORE THAN 25 YEARS ON THE CEDS COMMITTEE.** Mr. Hughes said Mr. Tedoldi has resigned from the OCPC Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee after more than 25 years of service. Mr. Tedoldi attended almost every CEDS Committee meeting during his time on the board, served as Vice Chairman, and is a strong supporter of economic development in our region. Mr. Robert Overholtzer moved to approve, seconded by Ms. Jeanmarie Joyce.

10. COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

- A. ISSUE OF TRUCK CLOSURES ON ROADWAYS IN PEMBROKE:** Pembroke Delegate Mr. Daniel Trabucco as a member of the Pembroke Board of Selectmen asked about the increase in truck traffic and potential impacts due to the implementation of truck exclusions along some of the roads. OCPC Assistant Executive Director/Supervisor Transportation Planning Supervisor Mr. Charles Kilmer explained that Pembroke asked for heavy vehicle exclusions on certain streets in town. MassDOT approves the alternative routes for heavy vehicle exclusions. OCPC is available for a follow up study to determine the change in truck traffic.

- B. INVITATION TO CITY OF BROCKTON WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:** West Bridgewater Delegate said that public officials have been invited to tour the City of Brockton Wastewater Treatment Plant on March 18
- C. CONCERN FOR SEWAGE SMELL IN WEST BRIDGEWATER:** West Bridgewater Delegate Mr. Eldon Moreira said his town has concerns about sludge, a form of fertilizer that is being used on fields in West Bridgewater. The sludge which originates from residential wastes systems and grease traps from commercial kitchens is produced by a Raynham company. The use of sludge as a fertilizer is legal in MA and is regulated by the MA DEP. West Bridgewater is looking to regulate its use in town.

11. OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. OCPC 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:** Brockton Delegate Mr. Robert Moran Jr. asked about plans for the Council's 50th Anniversary, which will take place in 2017. Mr. Ciaramella said the Council will form a Committee to plan the celebration and possibly some commemorative items.
- B. NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING: OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) – TRANSPORTATION PROCESS:** Mr. Kilmer noted that in the meeting packet was a notice that the public meeting conducted by the FHWA and FTA will be held during the regularly scheduled OCPC JTC Meeting on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 12:00 P.M.

12. VISITORS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

There were none.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Staffier
Secretary

List of Documents for February 24, 2016 OCPC Council Meeting

- Agenda for the February 24, 2016 OCPC Council Meeting
- January 27, 2016 OCPC Council Meeting Minutes

- List of February/March 2016 Up-Coming Events
- OCPC Resolution Number 218, Authorizing the filing of an EDA Grant Application
- OCPC Resolution Number 219, Honoring Mr. William Tedoldi
- OCPC Financial Statements June 30, 2015 and 2014
- U.S. Department of Transportation notice of public meetings for Old Colony MPO Planning Certification Review