

**Old Colony Planning Council
Minutes of the Meeting
January 30, 2019**

The five hundred and fifty third meeting of the Old Colony Planning Council was held on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at the Council offices located at 70 School Street, Brockton, MA

OCPC Delegates/Alternates Present

David Klein	Abington
Sandra Wright	Bridgewater
Robert Moran, Jr.	Brockton
Preston Huckabee	Brockton Alternate
Jeanmarie Joyce	Easton
Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett	Hanson
Robert Downey	Kingston
Lee Hartmann	Plymouth
Christine Joy	Plympton
Robert Kuver	Stoughton
Fred Gilmetti	Whitman

Communities Not Represented

Avon
Duxbury
East Bridgewater
Halifax
Hanover
Pembroke
West Bridgewater
Delegate at Large

Others Present

Brooke Nash	MA Dept. of Environmental Protection
Tom Hurley	Guyder Hurley P.C.
Russell Knapp	Guyder Hurley P.C.
Pasquale Ciaramella	OCPC
Bruce Hughes	OCPC
Laurie Muncy	OCPC
Brenda Robinson	OCPC

1. CALL TO ORDER: In the absence of Council President Frank Staffier, Council Treasurer Christine Joy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE: Council Executive Director Pasquale Ciaramella called for a moment of silence to honor the passing of retired Abington Council Delegate A. Stanley Littlefield, Esquire. Mr. Littlefield passed away on December 19, 2018. Mr. Littlefield was a Charter OCPC Council Delegate. Mr. Littlefield was very involved in public service. Among the many things, he was involved included serving as Plymouth County District Attorney from 1973 to 1975. He served the Town of Abington on the Finance Committee, a member of the Board of Selectmen for eighteen years, serving as Chairman of the Board for eight years and serving as Abington Delegate to the Old Colony Planning Council for forty-four years. He was predeceased by his wife Beulah (Boo), to whom he was married for 60 years. All of us who knew Mr. Littlefield valued his counsel and leadership.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Council Executive Director Pasquale Ciaramella read the roll call.

4. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 28, 2018 MEETING: Council Treasurer Joy asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes as prepared. Mr. Robert Moran Jr. moved to accept the minutes as prepared, seconded by Ms. Sandra Wright. So voted.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2018: Council Executive Director Mr. Pasquale Ciaramella presented the November, 2018 Financial Report. After discussion, Mr. Robert Moran, Jr. moved to accept the November, 2018 financial report as prepared, seconded by Mr. Lee Hartmann. So voted. Mr. Ciaramella presented the December, 2018 Financial Report. After discussion, Mr. Robert Kuver moved to accept the December 2018 financial report as prepared, seconded by Mr. Robert Moran, Jr. So voted.

6. STAFF REPORT: *Economic Development:* Mr. Ciaramella said staff is working on the EDA work plan. Staff submitted a Mid-Year Report to EDA. Staff is working with the City of Brockton and Town of Kingston on possible EDA projects. Staff hosted a CEDS Committee meeting on January 7, 2019. The next CEDS Committee meeting will be held on February 4, 2019 at noon. *Area Agency on Aging:* Staff is continuing work on the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and the Ombudsman Programs for FFY 2018. The Council has received notice of approval of the FTA 5310 grant asking for \$32,000 from MassDOT to help fund volunteer transportation. *Transportation:* Staff is continuing work on Route 106 Traffic Study in West Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, Halifax, Plympton and Kingston; Technical studies for BAT; and Pavement Management Program. Staff also continues to provide Technical Assistance to our member communities and is working on numerous projects. Staff hosted a JTC meetings in December and an MPO meeting in January. There will be a JTC meeting on February 7, 2019 and an MPO meeting on February 19, 2019. *Comprehensive Planning:* Staff finished work on the 2018 DLTA projects. Funding has been secured for the DLTA program for 2019 and communities have been asked to submit projects. *Community Septic Management:* Staff is continuing with the septic loan program. Communities in this program are Avon, Cohasset, Hanson, Kingston and Stoughton.

A list of Upcoming Meetings/Events for January and February 2019 was included in the meeting packet.

7. REGIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEWS:

Industrial Revenue Bond (Information only)

None

Environmental Notifications (Information only)

i. Bridgewater - EEA # 15939 - High Street Water Treatment Plant (ENF) - The Bridgewater Water Department is proposing the High Street Water Treatment Plant (WTP) to treat water drawn from the existing High Street Wells. The purpose of the project is to replace the existing outdated water treatment facilities (at the well houses) with a modern facility that will provide finished water meeting all Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) and U.S. EPA primary and secondary water quality standards and associated maximum contaminant levels (MCL).

Currently, blended phosphates are added to wells for sequestering iron. However, this practice is not sufficient and numerous complaints have been received from consumers concerning the quality of the water being supplied. Therefore, the Town is seeking to improve this water quality by implementing a more effective process to remove the iron and manganese in accordance with MassDEP Guidelines and Drinking Water Standards.

ii. Bridgewater - EEA # 4959 - Lakeshore Center (FEIR) - Claremont Lakeside Bridgewater, LLC is proposing an apartment complex (300 units and 540 parking spaces), a 4-story office building (60,000 sf. and 218 parking spaces), and a warehouse (103,000 sf. and 330 parking spaces) at 1 Lakeshore Center in Bridgewater. The proposed apartment complex will consist of two buildings (one 200-unit building, and one 100-unit building) and will be classified under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40B. The units will include an outdoor swimming pool and a fitness center. The proposed 5-story buildings will consist of a mix of studio, one, two, and three bedroom units. The parking will include 540 parking spaces outside and 60 spaces provided in garages.

This phase would complete a full buildout of the subject parcel that has been the subject of several past MEPA filings for a hotel, office buildings, and industrial uses.

iii. Duxbury - EEA # 15957 - Seawalls Phase 1 and Revetment Footing Protection (ENF) - The project is located at the north end of Duxbury Beach. There are two sections of seawall, which make up the Duxbury Beach Seawalls. The south wall begins at the north end of the Duxbury Beach parking lot (1 Ocean Road South) and extends northward approximately 2,955 feet to Plymouth Avenue. The north wall begins approximately 340 feet north of the terminus of the south wall, at 45 Bay Avenue and extends approximately 850 feet north to the Duxbury/Marshfield town line.

There are two parts to the project, first is replacement of the sections of seawall that have failed (about 800 linear feet) and are unable to provide the protection they were designed to provide. The replacement seawall will be constructed with a deeper footing, including steel sheeting below the footing, and a higher top of wall elevation of 24.5 Mean Low Water (MLW). The proposed replacement seawall will also be constructed with drainpipes through the wall. The drainage system consists of a continuous crushed stone trench along the top of the footing with 4-inch PVC pipes through the wall at ten feet on center along the trench and at existing grade level behind the wall. This will alleviate hydrostatic pressure on the backside of the wall as well as allow for water return during storm overtopping.

The second part of the project is to construct a revetment on the seaward side of the remainder of the unprotected seawall (approximately 2,175 linear feet) to protect the footing of the wall from undermining and failure. The stone revetment would extend about 13 to 15 feet seaward of the existing seawall. The replacement seawall is also proposed to be constructed with revetment footing protection, which will extend about fifteen feet seaward of the existing seawall. The proposed revetment, both at the replacement wall and along the existing wall is proposed to be below the normal beach grade to minimize loss of beach area and impacts on Priority Habitat. The revetment footing protection for the existing seawall is intended to protect those portions of unprotected wall until they are replaced with new wall. When funding becomes available and new sections of seawall are replaced, the revetment stone proposed

under this project to protect the existing wall will be reused as footing protection for the new wall.

iv. Hanover and Norwell - EEA # 415959 - Peterson Pond Dam Removal (ENF) - Peterson Pond Dam is located off Mill Street in the towns of Hanover and Norwell and is specifically located along Third Herring Brook, which is in the North River drainage basin. The Dam consists of an earthen embankment approximately 250 feet long and about 10 feet high. The upstream side of the dam is an earthen embankment and the downstream side of the dam consists of a vertical stone masonry wall along the right side of the dam and earthen embankment along the left side of the dam.

This removal of the dam is being considered for both dam safety and stream restoration purposes. Removal of the entire horizontal extent of the dam will not be required. The conceptual design of the dam removal was completed such that the water carrying capacity of the channel will be maintained and the full vertical extent of the dam will be removed in the breach. Under significant floods, the former pond area will act as an overbank area. The breach channel has been specifically designed to pass flows of up to the 100-year flood without significant re-impoundment. Massachusetts dam safety regulations consider structures non-jurisdiction if the structure height (and thus the impoundment height) does not exceed six feet {302 CMR 10.06}. The basis of design also considered the feasibility of designing the breach such that significant re-impoundment of the 500-year flood did not occur.

The project includes a proposed channel condition that would consist of removing the remaining concrete and stone portions of the primary spillway and cutting back the embankment portion to the left and right of the spillway such that the remaining channel has the capacity to safely pass, at minimum, the 100-year and 500-year floods without significant re-impoundment in the area upstream of the former dam site.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. REPORT AND UPDATE ON THE 2019 DISTRICT LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (DLTA) PROGRAM. Ms. Laurie Muncy, OCPC Principal Comprehensive Planner presented. Ms. Muncy said the Council has received funding for 2019 projects. Included in the meeting packet was a list of all 2019 DLTA Technical Assistance Requests received to date including the following: Abington, Avon, Halifax, Stoughton and Whitman: work on Housing Production Plans. Brockton: Assistance to advance the Brockton Urban Revitalization (Renewal) Plan by looking for support with prompt and predictable permitting through Chapter 43D Expedited Permitting Program for economic development projects on properties owned by the Brockton Redevelopment Authority. Hanson: Public/Private partnership to create a sewer district utilizing a local treatment facility on or near Main Street. Approaches to planning, funding, permitting, and any other considerations. Pembroke: 1). Examine Zoning Bylaws for methods to increase the supply of housing. 2). Provide assistance to the town to complete their ADA transition plan for the Open Space Recreation Plan drafted by the Conway School. Plympton: Prepare a fully updated Zoning Map including providing the town with an electronic version for posting on the town website and a digital file that can be accessed

for future edits. Rural Policy Plan: Work with MARPA on the Rural Policy Advisory Commission's writing of the MA Rural Policy Plan.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. PRESENTATION – SERIOUS RECYCLING PROBLEMS CONFRONTING MASSACHUSETTS CITIES AND TOWNS AND STRATEGIES THAT DEP AND MUNICIPALITIES ARE PURSUING TO TRY AND EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS AND MITIGATE ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES.

Ms. Brooke Nash, Branch Chief, Municipal Waste Reduction Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) presented. China was the largest market in the world for recyclables. They have now set their contamination standard at 0.5 percent. Material Recovery Facilities (MRF) are designed to meet 2-3% contamination at best. Communities are dealing with this contamination issue and with high prices to dispose of recyclables. What is MassDEP doing to help: Tools to help municipalities tackle contamination, Consensus from MRFs as to what is recyclable, what's not and Statewide education plan, Strategic inputs to improve local processing capacity and end-market including Municipal Glass Processing Grants and Recycling Business Development Grants. A summary of what municipalities should do: Meet with recycling hauler and processor (MRF). Work to reduce recycling contamination. Apply for Recycling IQ Kit grant. Use and share Recycle Smart MA tools. Sign up to become a partner (recyclesmartma.org). Apply for recycling grants (June 12, 2019). These include a Mattress recycling grant, Recycling Dividends Program. Recycling cars, compactors, etc. Questions and comments can be sent to Brooke Nash, brooke.nash@mass.gov of (617) 292-5984.

B. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT.

Mr. Tom Hurley and Mr. Russell Knapp of Guyder Hurley, P.C. presented on the Old Colony Planning Council Annual Audit/Financial Statements June 30, 2018 and 2017. They went through the report section by section. They said OCPC is compliant in all accounting standards. After discussion, Mr. David Klein moved to accept the Annual Audit/Financial Statements, seconded by Ms. Sandra Wright. So voted.

C. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF THE FFY 2019-2023 OLD COLONY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENTS 1 (5310 GRANT AWARDS).

Mr. Ciaramella presented and discussed Amendment 1. The FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1 adds five (5) projects that were awarded as part of the 2019 Community Transit Grant Program. The awards include two for the Brockton Area Transit, one to Old Colony Planning Council, and two to South Shore Community Action Council.

1. Brockton Area Transit (Bat): Add Project - Operating Assistance to Continue to Provide Avon-Stoughton Service, Award is \$52,000 (\$26,000 Federal; \$26,000 Local).

2. Brockton Area Transit (Bat): Add Project - Operating Assistance to Continue to Provide Service to The Town of Rockland; Award is \$100,000 (\$50,000 Federal; \$50,000 Local).

3. Old Colony Planning Council (Ocpc): Add Project - Operating Assistance for Volunteer Transportation Program (VTP), Award is \$64,000 (\$32,000 Federal; \$32,000 Local).

4. South Shore Community Action Council (SSCAC): Add Project - Operating Assistance To Support SSCAC Transportation Program; Award is \$90,000 (\$45,000 Federal; \$45,000 Local).

5. South Shore Community Action Council (SSCAC); Add Project - Buy Replacement Seven (7) Vans; Award is \$446,600 (\$357,280 Federal; \$89,320 Local).

After discussion, Mr. David Klein moved to endorse the FFY 2019-2023 TIP Amendments 1, seconded by Ms. Christine Joy. So voted.

10. COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

There were none.

11. OTHER BUSINESS:

There were none.

12. VISITORS COMMENTS/QUESTIONS:

There were none

13. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Gilmetti
Secretary

List of Documents for January 30, 2019 OCPC Council Meeting

- Agenda for the January 30, 2019 OCPC Council Meeting
- November 28, 2018, OCPC Council Meeting Minutes
- Financial Reports for November and December 2018
- OCPC Upcoming Events, January and February 2019
- 2019 District Local Technical Assistance Requests
- OCPC Financial Statements June 30, 2018 and 2017
- The State of Recycling, MA DEP
- Annual Report of the Old Colony Planning Council for annual community reports
- FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 1