

OCC Meeting Minutes
January 31, 2017

Members present: Kristin Roy, Lee Dassler and Maureen Mooney-Howard

Meeting was called to order at 7:13 p.m.

Motion to accept September 28, 2016 minutes as edited, minutes approved. (November 29, 2016 meeting was cancelled due to icy road conditions).

Old business

Maureen on recycling - Otisfield cannot terminate our contract with Norway Paris Solid Waste Corp. because the November vote did not carry the motion. The Selectmen plan to find a new recycling facility before the present contract is up on July 1, 2017. Once the Selectmen have made their decision, the Committee members would like to take on the role of educating our town members about the new recycling system and possibly visit the school and churches to promote the new recycling system. Motion made and accepted.

Lee – Western Foothills Land Trust's Twin Bridges Project – they have found a new contractor for the fish passage and bridge within the same company - Dirigo Timberlands.

WFLT will be applying for a small grant from Land for Maine's Future for trail building.

The Green Lot is being appraised.

The Fogg Lot has been appraised and they are waiting for a purchase and sale agreement.

New business

The Committee discussed that we are down to 3 members and need 3 more members. We were asked to think of friends and neighbors that may be interested in joining our Committee. We also discussed possibilities for non-voting members – "Friends of OCC".

Maureen asked the Committee how they felt about doing a spring clean-up of the Greeley Brook. Since the "illegal dumping" is happening on both the Otisfield (Boney Hill Road) and Oxford (Yeaton Swamp Road) side of the Brook, Maureen offered to contact Peter Laverdiere (Oxford Selectman) to see if Oxford would like to partner with us for the clean-up. Motion made and accepted.

Kristin received an email from Anne Pastore, Otisfield Administrative Assistant, stating that the deadline for submitting the OCC report for the Town Report is March 1st. Maureen offered to write the report and Lee offered to write about the contributions that Bob Blake and Susan Feller have made to the town and Committee and send her comments to Maureen to be added to the report.

Motion to adjourn at 8:45p.m. made and accepted. Next meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2017 at 7 p.m.