

POST SEWER HARDSCAPE TASK FORCE MEETING: THURSDAY AUGUST 19, 2021, 11:30 AM

ATTENDEES: GEORGE MESERVY (PLANNING DEPARTMENT), TOM DALEY (PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT) ANDREA REED (SELECT BOARD), TRACY MURPHY (RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD) JO DEL NEGRO (ORLEANS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION), STEPHANIE GASKILL (BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE) MERI HARTFORD (CULTURAL COMMITTEE), RON PETERSON (HISTORIC COMMITTEE)

Meeting called to order by Meservey.

Welcome to members and review of roster and Task Force representation. **Chamber Of Commerce representative to be requested by Meservey.**

Review of committee charge: When there are significant road projects or improvements to be made this task force will help vet the projects to make sure the interests and concerns of the citizens and town committees are addressed. This Task Force includes a wide swarth of the community and will help to ensure there is awareness and approval of major projects throughout the community.

Task force will not have a regularly scheduled meeting, Meservey will establish meetings as required and provide a 2-week notification by email. Meservey asked for volunteer to record minutes. Gaskill volunteered.

Discussion of Old Colony Way concept plans. Meservey will attend a Sept .1 Select Board Meeting to review the Old Colony Way Project. The Traffic and Safety Committee has approved the plan for Old Colony Way. Meservey would also like to have approval of the plan by this Task Force to present both approvals to the Select Board.

When the Select Board has given their approval of the plan a fall Task force meeting will be scheduled to review committee input, and then public outreach sessions will be scheduled.

Discussions on the Old Colony Plan included: Review of the plans and changes to Old Colony Way to include side variations to create traffic calming, improved pedestrian access, decreased pavement, passive and active recreational use, historic feature recognition, lighting, use of natural plantings and green infrastructure, benches and street furniture, signs, and drainage.

MOTION MADE by Gaskill: Motion to support the concept of the Old Colony Way project. We think the project will improve safety and quality of life of residents. This committee will continue to work on the project to address drainage and green infrastructure, appropriate lighting, safe pedestrian access, native plantings, wayfinding and signs, potential locations for public gardens and features that recognize the historic value of the area, and possible passive recreational opportunities.

SECONDED by Reed. Unanimous approval 6-0

Discussion of future Main Street Improvements. Daley discussed the scope and 5–7-year timing of the Main Street project from Academy Place to Beach Road and Tonset Extension.

Reed proposed this Task Force be used to test the Beta Version of the new town website.

Meeting adjourned 12:46 PM.

Submitted by Stephanie Gaskill