

OHCC Meeting Minutes Thursday October 7, 2021

1. Approved September minutes.
2. **Select Board** – *Kathryn DerMarderosian* updated the group on the most recent SB meeting.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – *Robin White* explained that the recent expenses for work at Plaisted have been paid.
4. **Web Site** – *Stuart Rich* reported 221 website hits last month; site usage continues to rise.
5. **Plaisted expansion** - *Kathryn DerMarderosian* discussed fund raising efforts, pledges, and forms for accepting pledges or gifts. *Annette Naegel* will update the pledge form to align it with the the Plaisted expansion. To avoid contacting people multiple times, please coordinate visit plans with *Stuart Rich*.
6. **Plaisted Pumpkin Walk** – Beth Long described her ideas for holding a Halloween event at the Plaisted Preserve. Her plan involves decorating the trail with up to 70 jack-o'-lanterns. She plans to solicit pumpkin donations and employ volunteers to carve them.
7. **Airport taxiway expansion** - *Kathryn DerMarderosian* sent a letter to the SB recommending that the planned taxiway expansion into the resource protection area be reviewed by an independent expert to insure that there will not be any adverse impact impacts to the natural environment.
8. **Sea level rise** – The Select Board indicated that they would take this item up in November.
9. **Pesticide ordnance** - Materials outlining safe pesticide use are available at the OH library.
10. **Fall Plaisted work planning** – Moving this item to the November meeting.
11. **Town LED lighting** – *Kathryn DerMarderosian* explained that the Select Board has not yet received the CMP planning materials.
12. Longtime CC member *Ken Wexler* will be resigning from the commission. The OHCC is grateful to Ken for his dedication and work with the commission these many years.
13. **House keeping** – The group decided that masks should be worn during our meetings held in the community room at town hall.

Attendees

Kathryn DerMarderosian

Beth Long

Stuart Rich

Robin White

Jim Devery

Annette Naegel

Lauren Swartzbaugh

Next Meeting: Thursday November 4, 2021 6:00 PM at Town Hall