

OHCC Meeting Minutes Thursday November 4, 2021

1. Approved October minutes.
2. **Select Board** – Nothing to report.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – *Robin White* outlined how she is tracking the pledges and donations for the expansion of Plaisted.
4. **Plaisted Wind Damage** – *Beth Long* explained that the recent storm left several hanging limbs above the trail that will need to be removed. The treasurer, *Robin White*, asked that an estimate be requested before proceeding with removal efforts.
5. **Web Site** – *Stuart Rich* reported 200 plus website hits last month.
6. **Plaisted Pumpkin Walk** – A special thank you to *Beth Long* for her work planning and executing the Halloween event at the Plaisted Preserve; **it was a great success!**

Plaisted Expansion:

1. **Recent Activities** - *Kathryn DerMarderosian* explained that the commission has engaged *Mary Bumiller* of Camden Coast Real Estate to represent the commission in the effort to acquire the property to expand Plaisted.
2. *Mary Bumiller* – Mary addressed the group explaining how the offer process works when future fund raising is needed to reach the offer goal. She also clarified what is meant by a hazard assessment and how an appraisal of the property fits into the process. She also mentioned that she spoke with the seller's agent and learned that they are anxious to receive an offer. She suggested that \$1,000.00 is an appropriate good faith deposit for our offer. Her firm pledged \$1,000.00 dollars towards our goal.
3. **Plaisted Expansion Conservation Easement** – *Annette Naegel* explained how a conservation easement for the expansion of Plaisted will be created by **George's River Land Trust**.
4. **Pledge/Donation Thank-You Notes** – The group decided that thank-you notes for pledges and donations should be personalized by the commission member who contacted the donor.
5. **Next Steps** - *Kathryn DerMarderosian* discussed the next steps.
 - Confirm info session and Town Meeting dates
 - Schedule and hold an info session planning meeting
 - Photograph property
 - PR effort
 - Identify deadlines for public notices in local print publications
 - Include OH Facebook group in publicity efforts

Attendees

Kathryn DerMarderosian

Beth Long

Stuart Rich

Mary Bumiller

Jim Devery

Annette Naegel

Robin White

Next Meeting: Thursday December 2, 2021 6:00 PM at Town Hall