

**Minutes
of the
Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Advisory Committee (Committee)**

September 9, 2020

Members Present: Astri Baillie, Christine Boyle, Lisa Ellis, Melissa Honohan, Chris Kellogg, George Limbach, Joan Maccari, Deb Mantone, Jill Rhodes, Ross Snyder

Members Absent: Nancy Bruce, Claire Whitcomb

Opening Remarks

Ms. Honohan called the meeting to order at approximately 7:35 pm.

Minutes

Ms. Honohan then presented the minutes for approval to the Committee. There being no comments, the minutes were duly moved and approved.

Overview and Status of Open Space Fund Account

Ms. Honohan presented an overview and the status of the Open Space Fund Account for discussion. Council-member Baillie provided an update on current projects.

Application from Borough of Madison

Ms. Honohan then presented the application submitted by the Borough of Madison (BOM) regarding the Museum of Early Trades and Crafts (METC). In connection with Committee questions, Council-member Baillie explained that the BOM is responsible for amounts above a certain threshold for care of the METC building – a BOM building. The BOM application provided a request for \$15,000 to remediate mold in the basement of the METC building to protect museum archives. The requested funds are expected to be used during the 2020 calendar year. A motion was duly made and approved to approve the application submitted by BOM.

Simplification and Update to the Open Space Fund Application Process

Ms. Honohan then turned to a discussion on the current application process regarding the review and approval of funds granted by the Committee. Members of the Committee discussed potential next steps to simplify the application and expect to review and discuss further at the next Committee meeting. It was then noted that the Committee would discuss a potential park proposal in Executive Session.

Adjournment of Meeting

A motion was duly made and approved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectively submitted,

Christine S. Boyle
Secretary