

# Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

## Meeting of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

Meeting called to order in Hearing Room 3 at the Town Hall at 6:30PM.

Attending were Otis Carney, Alfred Almeida, Jim O'Gara, Michelle Campion and Norma Haskins.

Demolition Applications - 83 Maccombers Ridge- Builder was present- Alfred reviewed. Building was originally built in 1904 but had major remodeling in 1981. The foundation is deteriorating and will not hold up much longer. Home to be demolished and replaced with a single family home. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Michelle that this house has no historical significance to the Town and can be demolished. It was voted and passed, unanimously. Alfred to notify the building inspector that he may issue the permit.

Demo- 163 Union St – Alfred reviewed history. This is a ranch that was built around 1950. It has been seriously neglected and has deteriorated to the point where it cannot be saved. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Jim that this building has no historical significance to the Town and it can be demolished. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demo- 364 Main St. Alfred reviewed history, House is approximately 58 years old, a cape style home. Owners needs to do extensive remodel for handicap access and feels he will need to start anew. Building to be replaced with a single family home. Alfred made a motion, seconded by Jim that this house has no historical significance to the Town and it can be demolished. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demo- 23 Hutchinson Rd – Alfred reviewed. This is a tiny 715 square foot house that is 61 years old. It is not in bad shape but too small for an average family to live here. It is to be demolished and replaced with a larger single family home.

Alfred made a motion, seconded by Michelle that this home has no historical significance to the Town and it can be demolished. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Secretary's Report. The minutes of the meeting of May 5<sup>th</sup> were reviewed. Alfred made a motion, seconded by Jim to accept the minutes as prepared. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Treasurers Report- Passed over.

Daniel Webster's Law Office- Otis reports the Selectmen will support our effort to hire a historical restorer of our choice to restore the building. Otis to meet with contractor and get estimates to proceed. He said some additional items will have to be added to previous estimates for our presentation to the CPC. It will go out for bids. Norma asked if there were any finds remaining from the original budget to get a mason to seal up the building for winter. Otis said he did not have that information as all the bills had not been paid yet. Brief discussion on the project.

Historical Marker- Randall Mill Marker- Otis reports he has been unable to contact the person to dig the hole for the marker. He asked Jim if he would do that. Hole placement has been marked. Jim agreed. Alfred to get the bill in and paid before the end of the month.

Historical Brochure- Michelle reports the printer has given us the revised estimate for the printing, including the formatting to be done. There will be additional funds needed for formatting. There was a discussion on this project. A search is commencing for the original artwork for the printer in hopes of saving some money. Alfred feels he may have some information and Norma will check the files in the office. It was decided to check with the Town accountant and see if we can pay a portion of the bill in this fiscal year and finish the bill in the next fiscal year.

CPC Activity- Meeting cancelled lack of quorum.

Announcements- Request from the Molly Fund for the use of the Training Green for 6/22, 7/17 and 8/7.

Reviewed letter from Helen Demers- Her response to ours. Nothing to be done.

She's been advised to contact Christine Beard to correct errors in the history of that building.

We received a letter from Mass Historical concerning the cell tower to be built at 114 Eustis Street. They are concerned about the historical aspects of the land as it once was part of the Webster/Thomas estate. Letter to be forwarded to Town Administration as there is nothing we can do.

Otis advises Judith Freden has resigned leaving an open space on our commission. Donna Beals has applied for the position. The position will be left vacant till our September meeting to leave time for anyone else who may be interested to give them time to apply.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20PM.

Next meeting will be July 7<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted:

Norma Haskins

Secretary