

Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of March 7, 2017

Meeting called to order in Hearing Room 3 at the Town Hall at 6:30PM. Attending were Otis Carney, Alfred Almeida, Jim O'Gara, Cindy Castro, Brendan Coyne, Michelle Campion, Alfred Almeida and Norma Haskins.

Demolition Application, 410 Union Street- Attending was Richard Murphy, agent for the owner. Alfred reviewed. This home is listed on the Town's list of Historical Homes as the James Hatch House ca: 1878. Alfred reviewed the process to be followed if this house is determined to be of historical significance by this Board. This is a small center chimney cape style house. Several Commission members have toured the house which was allowed by Mr. Murphy. Discussion followed of the condition of the house and what needs to be done or what can remain as is. Alfred has discussed this house with the building inspector and because this house is not in a flood zone the rubble foundation can remain as is. After the discussion Otis made a motion, seconded by Norma, that this house is historically significant to the Town because of the relation to the Hatch family. It was voted and passed unanimously. Alfred is to set a date for a public hearing to be determined later. Mr.

Murphy had several questions which we were able to help him with.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the meeting of January 17th were reviewed. Brendan pointed out a typo which was corrected. After review Jim made a motion. Seconded by Brendan to accept the minutes as corrected. It was voted and passed. Michelle abstained as she was not in attendance.

Treasurer's report: Brendan reports the bills are all accounted for and \$1252 remains in the budget. He has set aside funds for the completion of the granite markers booklets.

Granite Marker project: Michelle reports the research and photos are 75% completed. She passed out an up to date listing. Brief discussion followed on historic markers. It was decided to make at least five copies of the catalog with pictures of each marker with brief description of each. They are to be given out to other historical groups in Marshfield for their information. Discussion of a few of the markers that are in need of reset. Michelle to send a list to Otis to forward to the DPW.

Granite marker at the Marshfield Fair will be unveiled at public ceremony at the beginning of the Fair in August.

Winslow Artifact collection- Letter received from the Plimouth Plantation regard a collection of artifacts from the Winslow property. The collection consists of 40 boxes of prehistoric 18th century objects as well associated excavation records. Slides,

photos and other documentation. They have had possession of these items on loan from the Historical Commission since 1997 and are now asking if the Town would consider letting Plimouth Plantation assume ownership of the collection. After a brief discussion it was decided Michelle, Brendan and Cindy will go to the Plantation and look at what they have, get some pictures, and come back to the Board for further discussion. It was mentioned that we do not have a place to display these objects.

Daniel Webster's Law Office- Windows and doors have been removed and moved to shop in Medford where they are being restored. The contractor hopes to be on site working on the building by March 15th.

Michelle reports that the CPC has voted to send three Historical Commission articles to Spring Town Meeting for a vote.

Otis reports the Massachusetts Historical Commission has sent a request for documentation to Tim Davidson, Marshfield Historical Society in anticipation of putting the Schoolhouse on the National Register.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins

Secretary