Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of December 4, 2017

Meeting called to order in Hearing Room 2 at the Town Hall at 6:30PM. Attending were Otis Carney, Alfred Almeida, Cindy Castro, Michelle Campion, Brendan Coyne and Norma Haskins

Recreation Commission - Town Training Green Michael Maresco appeared to represent the Recreation Commission. He explained that the Recreation Commission would like the use of the Town Training Green for a temporary ice skating area for the winter. He explained how they would like to place the area on the green and the supervision they would supply during hours when the rink is in use. He suggested they would like to have a grand opening on December 16th, weather permitting. He assured us that the grounds would be left in and same condition it was found, there will be no vehicles allowed on the green, they will keep the area clear of trash. They would like to install a temporary snow fence and supply several benches and two picnic tables. They expect to have the structure removed after February school vacation or about February 20th. They will comply with all the other conditions required and will leave space for the Live Nativity the week before Christmas. After his presentation Cindy made a motion seconded by Alfred to allow the Recreation Dept. the use of the Town Training Green for the winter months. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demolition application - 15 Creek Road- Alfred reviewed. This is a cottage built around 1950. It is a typical cottage and therefore needs to be raised above the flood plain. Cost to raise and renovate is prohibitive and so the owner has decided to demolish and rebuild. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Michelle, that this cottage has no Historical significance to the Town and we would have no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Alfred updated the demo permit for 333 Plymouth Ave. Ownership has been confirmed and permit issued.

Secretary's report- The minutes of the meeting of November 7th were reviewed. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Cindy to accept the minutes as prepared. It was voted and passed 5 to 1. Michelle abstained as she was not at that meeting.

Treasurers Report – Brendan reports there is approximately \$1150.00 left in our budget.

There was a review about monies set aside and not yet invoiced. Otis is to check in with mason to get the cap on the chimney and get an invoice. He also explained we had found a contractor to fix the windows in the back of the building. He completed the work for \$300.00 which is much less that the \$1000.00 Mr. Whelan estimated to cost to be. He also reports that the front door had swelled up in the damp weather and could not be opened and shut without force. Buttonwood Renovations was at the site for another job and agreed to fix it for \$65.00. It was

done the same day. Otis made a motion, seconded by Alfred to pay the contractors the \$365.00. It was voted and passed.

Brendan reports there is now approximately \$850. Left in our budget.

Winslow Collection- Michelle reports the Plimouth Plantation is still waiting to hear about our collection which they have. There has been no response from the Board of Selectmen to our letter. Otis will speak with Mr. Maresco and get a response.

Daniel Webster's Law Office- Norma reports the floor has been swept and washed and is ready for rugs. After getting the new rugs into the office it was decided that they did not represent the age of the building as well as the original rug. The new rugs will be set aside for our new office and the old rug which dates back to the 1860's will be brought back to the law office. There was no use for it in the estate and it will get use at the law office without getting the traffic which was recommended by the rug appraiser. Cindy feels she can get us the labor to move the rug as it is too heavy for us to move.

Announcement- the Board of Selectmen are meeting tonight to discuss the Pratt house and barn for those interested and would like to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00PM.

Next meeting will be Tuesday January 2nd.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins

Secretary