

Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of January 2, 2018

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

Demolition application – 165 Oak Street- Richard Cullen owner present. Plans to replace this house with another single family home. Alfred reviewed. House built in 1959. Condition require replacement as the mold remediation alone was over \$50,000. The cost to remodel is more than the house is worth. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Cindy, that this house 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.

Demolition application – 54 Bakers Lane- Owner present, Alfred reviewed. Building does not meet the current building code and cost to bring it up is prohibitive. Built in 1948. Owners plans on keeping the original foundation. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Michelle, that this house has no historical significance to the Town and we would no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demolition application – 769 Ocean St – Alfred reviewed. This building is currently owned by SCM Realty who have no stated plans for the lot. Formerly a commercial building it has fallen into serious disrepair with large holes in the sides of the building. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Cindy, that this building has no historical significance to the Town and we would no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Secretary's Report. - The minutes of the meeting of December 4th were reviewed. There being no amendments Michelle made a motion, seconded by Cindy that we accept the minutes as written. It was voted and passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report, postponed to the next meeting.

Law Office- The rug is to be moved from the house to the law office tomorrow morning. Otis reports we believe this Oriental rug was purchased by Carolyn Webster in 1880 for the main building which was rebuilt after the fire. It has been verbally appraised by two different appraisers to be worth \$10,000.00. After the move we will be ready for the furniture to be returned. However with a blizzard forecast it will be some time before we can do that. An appointment for an estimate for the move has been postponed because of the coming storm.

Otis reports he is preparing material for docents to use when it will be open for visitors. It will be open the same house as the estate which is one Sunday a month from May through September. Members of the Commission will take turns acting as docents.

Invoice has been received for the chair being reupholstered. Will be paid when the chair is finished.

Law Office Inventory- Working from the inventory of 1977 Otis and Norma have reviewed and made some additions and subtractions to the list which is mostly ephemera. The Town Administrator is looking for a list for insurance purposes. Norma is to retype the list and give it to the TA with the stipulation that this list could change later in the spring when we complete the move and we will update it at that time.

Announcements- Owner of the property at 689 Union Street has expressed an interest in having his home added to the list of nationally recognized historical homes. We have been advised that he has submitted his application and is awaiting their review.

The Town Administrator has expressed interest in moving the Concord Coach to a more suitable location. Discussions still under way to decide where it could be put.

Next meeting will be February 6th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins

Secretary