

# Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

## Meeting of October 6<sup>th</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.

Otis reports 2 new members appointed and were invited to attend. They are Brendan Coyne and Donna Beals.

Demolition Applications: 177 Standish Street- Owner Seamus Kent was present. He explained his plans are to replace this existing cottage with another single family home. Alfred reviewed. After review he made a motion, seconded by Jim that the building inspector be notified that this building has no historical significance to the Town and a permit to demolish can be issued. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

46 Ashburton Avenue- Alfred reviewed and showed pictures. The owner was present and explained that this building is to be replaced with a similar sized building but will have a two car garage. Outside looks good but there was a fire inside several years ago and it is in need of replacement. Alfred made a motion, seconded by Jim that the building inspector be advised that this building has no historical significance to the town and a demolition permit can be issued. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

35 Main Street- Otis advises he has spoken with one of the new owners and they plan on replacing this building with a 2 or 3 unit condominium. Alfred reviewed. This building was built in 1779, so is very old. It’s been altered and added to many times so does not look like it originally did. While the building is old it is much like many others in the area. Alfred has not been able to find any reason to preserve this building because of a significant Marshfield resident

living there. Therefore he made a motion, seconded by Michelle that the building inspector be advised that this building has no historical significance to the town and a demolition permit can be issued. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Brief discussion on Historic Home restoration.

Secretary's Report- The minutes of the meeting of September 1<sup>st</sup> were reviewed. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Jim to accept the minutes as prepared. It was voted and passed, Michelle abstained because she did not attend.

Treasurers report- Alfred reports the only cost to clean the Concord coach was \$30.00 and it looked great at the 375<sup>th</sup> celebration. Everyone agreed.

Norma located 2 wall sconces for the law office and made a motion to spend 59.00 for them. It was seconded by Michelle. Voted and passed. Unanimously.

Daniel Webster Law Office- Otis reports he received a proposal from ElectroSwitch for the electrical work for \$7,700. He explained what that will cover. He also has met with Jonathan Detweiler and is getting his proposal for the remaining work to be done. He will also be getting 2 other proposals for the CPC Committee.

Brief discussion of the Hatch Mill project. Michelle advises CPC has given the Hatch Mill group till November to complete their work.

Announcements: The Hancock Paint (South Grammar School) project is proceeding. We expect spring town meeting to have a proposal for the Town on funds from CPC to begin work there. Brief discussion on our space there.

The Hall family in Marshfield inherited Caroline Webster's memorabilia when they bought that building. When they sold it in 1950 they took what was left with them. They have 35 books, papers and some Marshfield memorabilia they want to loan to the Town or DWPT. Discussion held and they have left all the material at the Webster Estate and the DWPT is hoping to purchase a Barrister

Bookcase with a lock to store it in. Michelle suggested storing them in the Law Office. Brief discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10PM.

Next meeting November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins

Secretary