Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of October 2nd, 2018

Meeting called to order in the Planning Dept. Office at 6:25 PM in the Town Hall. Attending were Otis Carney, Cindy Castro, Alfred Almeida, Brendan Coyne, Jim O'Gara, Michelle Campion and Norma Haskins.

Demolition Application- 215 Island St- Owner Karen Kemp present- Alfred reviewed. House to be demolished to make room for another single family home. He verified ownership due to recent purchase of this property. House was built in 1920. House is in good condition with a block foundation but needs to be raised above flood stage. Cost to raise and update outweighs value of the house. 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.

Demo permit- 75 Central Street - Alfred reviewed- This is a tiny cottage that has significant flood damage and is in poor condition sitting on a pier foundation. Plans are for a demolition and replace with another small home. No owner present. After review Alfred made a motion, seconded by Jim 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.

Neighborhood Works- Robert Corley from Neighborhood Works made a presentation on their plans for the South Grammar School. They plan on turning this building into housing for 8 veterans. They plan to apply for funding from the state in November and expect a decision from the state in the spring. Their architect reviewed the specific plans for restoring the building to much as it looked originally. They expect to be moving us out of the building mid-winter and expect completion of the project in 2020. Presentation was very complete and we were impressed with the plans. Mr. Maresco asked that we send a letter of support for the project to Robert Corley based on the plans we have seen today.

Secretary's Report- The minutes of the meeting of Sept. 11 were reviewed. After review Otis made a motion, seconded by Cindy, to accept the minutes as prepared.

Treasurers Report- Brendan reports the budget is 63% spent.

Granite Marker - Otis asked that we add 2 new markers to our inventory. They are the new bronze marker at the Webster Well site and the new marker at South River Park recently installed by the VFW. He also advised that the National Park Service needs to be informed that the Law Office has been moved back to the Webster Estate. Otis will let them know.

Explore Marshfield- Coming up October 7th. Commission Members will be manning several locations including the Law Office, The Town Training Green booth and the Carriage shed.

Announcements- Cindy is working on a committee that is recognizing the shipyards that were on the shores of the North and South Rivers during the shipbuilding times. They are applying for funds from CPC to restore and replace two markers in Marshfield for White's Ferry at Sea Street and Ferry St and Rogers shipyard marker. The cost is over \$6,000. Each.

Meeting adjourned 7:30PM.

Next meeting Wednesday November 7th in Hearing Room 3.,

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary