

## Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

### Meeting of August 6, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:45PM in Hearing Room 3 at the Town Hall. Attending were Otis Carney, Cindy Castro, Michelle Campion, Brendan Coyne and Norma Haskins. Also attending was incoming member Kathy Sullivan.

Demolition Applications- 1203 Ferry Street- Cindy reviewed. Ownership confirmed and she could find no historical significance for this property. After review Norma 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- 83 Towne Way- Cindy reports ownership confirmed and she could find no historical significance to this small cottage. After review Norma 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- 534 Union St- Cindy reports that this is Town owned property purchased to protect the Aquifer and it has no historical significance. It also is in poor condition. After review Norma 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- 80 Union St- Cindy reports this house also was purchased by the Town to protect our aquifer. It is in poor condition and has no historical significance. After review Norma 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- 25 Atlantic St- Cindy reviewed- Ownership confirmed and she could find no historical significance to this beach house. Owner would like to replace it with a larger more modern structure. After review Norma made a motion, seconded by Cindy 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.

Granite markers- We reviewed proposed script for the planned markers.

“Hatch Mill- Originally built 1752 as a grist mill with a dam for power. 1812 Converted to sawmill with up/down construction. During the civil war produced wooden boxes used to ship shoes to Union troops. Changed to a circular saw in 1872. Operated until 1965 by Dexter Hatch. “Michelle made a motion seconded by Cindy to approve the script as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously. Swenson quoted this marker to cost \$2089.87

Pratt Property “ 1650 Williamson Historic Property Site of last salt marsh hay farm in Marshfield comprising of 37 acres. Purchased in 2010 by the Town with CPC funds. 1890 barn housed livestock and later race horses for Marshfield Fair. Trail leads to rail trail and kayaks launch.” Michelle made a motion, seconded by Brendan to approve the script as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously. Norma to get a quote for this marker.

“Blizzard of 1978 Massive New England storm from Noon Feb. 5 thru nightfall Feb 6. 90 MPH winds. Temperature 10° with 30” of snow in No, Marshfield. Record winds and flooding from Green Harbor to Rexhame. Houses destroyed and damaged. No power for three days or more. Schools closed for a week. “This marker will include an obelisk with a mark that indicates the water level on the esplanade and marker will be placed within the esplanade. Michelle made a motion seconded by Brendan to accept the script as amended. It was voted and passed unanimously. Swenson Granite quoted this marker with obelisk to cost \$3190.25.

Law Office Lawn- Otis explained the problems with getting the lawn mowed at the law office. On opening day the lawn was 12” deep. Ground Effects has agreed to mow once a month for \$70. Each time. Norma made a motion, seconded by Brendan to set aside \$280.00 to pay for mowing through the end of this year. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Training Green- Otis reports in anticipation of a request from the Town for the use of the green at the end of August he would like us to approve the use. It will be for the display of lots of small American flags to recognize the opioid crisis.

It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Announcements- Otis reports a resident of Main Street at Littles Lane has reported that a historical granite marker in front of her house is half buried and needs to be raised. Cindy will see that the DPW takes care of this.

Otis is to take care of seeing that the Selectmen are aware that Kathy Sullivan is interested in joining our Commission and hopefully get her appointed ASAP.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26PM.

Next meeting is September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary