

Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of August 12, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7PM via Zoom. Attending were Cindy Castro, Karen Biagini, Barbara Carney, Michelle Campion and Norma Haskins.

Cindy welcomed Barbara Carney onto our Commission as she was appointed in the last few weeks. We all welcome her aboard.

Demolition application – 77 Everson Road- Cindy reviewed. She could find no historical significance for this cottage. She made a motion, seconded by Karen that the Historical Commission has found no historical significance for this house and we would have no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demolition 51 Carlton Rd- Cindy explained we have already approved a demo permit for the rear section of this house but the owners have discovered that the cost to restore the original portion is cost prohibitive. They would like to demolish the entire house. Having found no historical significance Cindy made a motion, seconded by Karen that we have found no historical significance and we would have no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demolition- 623 Summer Street- Cindy reports this demolition application is for the garage only which was crushed by a falling tree last winter. Having found no historical significance Cindy made a motion, seconded by Barbara that we have no historical significance for this garage and would have no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Secretary's report- The minutes of the meeting of May 5th have been reviewed. Cindy made a motion, seconded by Karen to accept the minutes as prepared. It was voted and passed 4-1. Barbara abstained as she was not present at that meeting.

Treasurers report- No activity so far in this year's budget. Brendan has turned over Treasurers duty to Michelle.

Granite markers- Norma explained that we received three quotes for the markers and Colonial Stone in Kingston was the low bidder for these seven granite markers planned for this year at \$9,353. Other quotes were much higher. Cindy made a motion, seconded by Karen to go with Colonial Stone for our project. It was voted and passed, unanimously. It was decided to follow his suggestions on wording. Norma to contact him and get things under way.

Dedication plaque- Kathy has given us the proposed text for the dedication plaque for the new office. Norma to get started on getting that done.

Pilgrim Trail development- There was a discussion of possible development along the edge of Pilgrim Trail near Pioneer Trail. There is a property owner there whose deed states he has access to the rear of his property via Pilgrim Trail. He would like to develop that portion of his property and would like to pave a portion of Pilgrim to access that development. This was brought to our attention by a surveyor in Plymouth who works for him who is concerned with protecting the Trail. To assist him Norma has retrieved all our records regarding easements allowed over the Pilgrim Trail but found that none of the easements in our files concern that portion he wants to pave. Norma explained that it may not be possible to stop him because the Town has already paved a portion of Pilgrim Trail. This discussion was tabled until the next meeting. Cindy is going to check and see if any permits have been applied for regarding this project.

Beaver Crossing. - This involved a development planned for property at 113 Union Street. Plans are underway to build 4 or 5 new homes to the rear of that address. There is a stone wall across the front of the house. This being a scenic road a resident has brought it to our attention as they plan on removing the wall to put in a new street. Cindy has attended the planning board meeting and reports they are planning to retain the wall but reconfigure it with a break in the middle and turning the wall as an entrance into the new development.

State Survey- This discussion to be moved to the next meeting when Kathy can attend.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM. Next meeting to be September 8th.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins Secretary