Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of February 7, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:03PM in the Historical Commission office. Attending were Cindy Castro, Kathy Sullivan, Carolyn Shanley, Barbra Carney, Jack Arouca and Norma Haskins.

Demolition application- 91 Old Colony Lane- Cindy reports this house dates to 1650 per the previous owner. We discussed the condition of the house. It needs work but seems to be salvageable. Cindy made a motion, seconded by Barbara to put 91 Old Colony Lane into demo delay. Owner has not responded to telephone inquiries. Motion was voted and passed, unanimously. Cindy would like to contact Amy Boyce regarding the possibility of moving the building or if necessary demolish the structure with the aim to reassemble at another site. Barbara is doing some research of possibly moving the building to Town property at the airport next door for restoration and use. We discussed possibilities for this building.

Cindy advised us that another historic building at 22 Main Street may be coming before us in the coming months.

Minutes- The minutes of our meeting of December 6th were reviewed. After review Cindy made a motion, seconded by Barbara to accept the minutes as prepared. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Training Green- An application has been submitted by the Marshfield Cultural Council for use of the Training Green for July 23, July 30th and August 6 fro, 5-8PM for outdoor concerts and entertainment. Cindy made a motion, seconded by Barbra to approve the use. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

GAR Hall- The CPC has requested a letter from us concerning the request made by the North River Arts Society for funding improvements to the GAR Hall. Cindy is preparing the letter which will voice our concerns regarding the new door, the furnace, air conditioning splits, chimney removal, and outside repairs with modern materials in this historic old building. We will approve the roofing plans.

Cindy is also preparing a letter to Mr. Maresco concerning Town owned historic buildings.

Historic Homes List- Cindy, Kathy and Jack are working on adding to our partial list of historic homes. Being added are homes built between 1631 and 1930. This will add to the original partial list done by Christine Beard.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM. Next meeting will be March 7th.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary