

Marshfield Historical Commission Minutes

Meeting of July 11, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:03PM in the Historical Commission office. Attending were Cindy Castro, Kathy Sullivan, Barbara Carney, Michele Campion, Jack Arouca, Carolyn Shanley and Norma Haskins. We had guest, Bert O'Donnell, representing Hatch Mill.

Demolition application, 15 Reed St- Cindy reviewed. After review she made a motion, seconded by Barbara that this house has no historical significance to the Town and we would have no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. She stated we would like to have access to the building to photograph the structure before demolition. The motion was voted and passed, unanimously.

Demolition application- 19 Brighton St- Cindy reviewed. After review she made a motion seconded by Barbara that this house has no historical significance to the Town and we will have no objection to the issuance of a demolition permit. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

91 Old Colony Lane- no update available

365 Ocean St- Cindy reports the Zoning Board has approved the plans for the new structure.

Minutes- The minutes of our meeting of June 6 were reviewed. After review Cindy made a motion, seconded by Jack to accept the minutes as prepared. Barbara abstained as she was not there. It was voted and passed.

Treasurers report- Michele reports new budget is now in effect. Bills were paid from the last fiscal year including the purchase of three bronze markers for the Green Light Tea Room, Hatch Mill, and the Pratt/Williamson farm, the restoration for the Law Office, and a new storage cabinet for the new office.

Open House- The invitations are done and Kathy reports she is compiling a list for those to be invited. Cindy has opened an account for the commission at Marshfield Office Supply.

Schedule Work Meeting- Most of the materials from the Marsha Thomas House has been moved to the new office. A work party was scheduled for August 1st at

5PM before our next meeting, to sort through all our materials and decide where all will be if needed.

Cemetery Letter- Carolyn reports she is working with Lynn Fidler, Selectperson, to help us continue the work to restore the stones at Cedar Grove Cemetery and finish Chapel. The rest of all the cemeteries in town are already done.

Law Office- Norma reports all restoration is complete and Buttonwood Restorations has been paid.

Concord Coach- Jack reports he met with Scott Weber. He has told him that he can clean the coach but will not guarantee all mold gone as there are places he cannot get to. He recommends that the coach must be moved into a climate controlled area to protect this valuable historical piece. Jack suggested we may be able to send the coach away on loan to a museum where it can be in climate control to protect it. It was suggested we send a letter to Mr. Maresco advising him of its condition in hopes to get some assistance in getting a climate controlled area to keep the coach. We are still hoping to have the use of the barn at Red Gold Farm to use for that purpose. Carolyn to draft a letter with our observations and recommendations.

School visits- Jack reports the school visits are done for this year. On August 6th there is a Transportation Open House at the Winslow House and he will be there to show the coach, weather permitting.

Bert O'Donnell spoke briefly about Hatch Mill and we agreed to give the bronze plaque to him to place where he feels is appropriate. He explained they will have an open house the last Saturday of each month through September.

Next meeting August 1st.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary