

Town of Maynard  
MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING  
Tuesday, March 19, 2015 - Maynard Public Library

Meeting called to order by Jack MacKeen at 7:04pm

**Members Present:** Jack MacKeen, Ellen Duggan, Lee Caras, Dave Griffin, Paul Boothroyd, Ken Neuhauser.

**Guests:** Ken Runion

**Approve Minutes** of February 17 by Ellen, second by Paul. Unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS

**MACRIS**

Lee reported that the deadline for the RFP was on 18-Mar. One bid was received, from Joan Rockwell. Only one bid is required, but it needs to be formally reviewed against the selection criteria. Assuming the selection is successful, the Commission will aim to start the process next month.

**Coolidge School Reuse Task Force**

Ken reported on the task force forum that was held in February. The task force received a lot of community input on different aspects of how it might be preserved, divided and owned. There are some small failures/leaks in the roof flashing. The task force is pursuing getting some minimal maintenance to keep it from deteriorating further.

There is a desire to get a better assessment of the historical features of the building. The MACRIS listing only examines the exterior of the building. Are there aspects of the interior that have value to be preserved? To answer that, hiring a preservation consultant is one option. Lee also proposed that we might use the National Register of Historic Properties process as a way of getting that information. A CPA preservation grant is a possible funding source.

**Demolition Delay Bylaw**

An initial draft of the bylaw, created by the working group, was circulated. Numerous comments and discussions ensued. A new revision will be presented next month after incorporating comments made.

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**Cemetery Celebration**

Peg Brown has outlined and distributed a program plan. Members are encouraged to send comments to Peg.

**Boundary Markers and Perambulation**

Paul will contact the other towns to find out when they are walking their bounds, to try to cajole the Maynard Board of Selectmen at a similar time.

**Gold Award Project** (Haley Fritz)

Commission members are encouraged to send feedback on the scavenger hunt to both Haley and Peg Brown.

NEW BUSINESS

**Marker for Fine Arts Theater**

Review of Lee's marker sketch. A second plaque, focused on the former livery stables to the right of the theater, will be created.

**AART impact on historic items**

Jack reported on the approved movement of the Concord Street Marker and the Rafferty Planter. (See attached correspondence).

**Historic Properties List**

The Commission needs to periodically resend the Historic Properties List to the Town Administrator and Planning Board so new occupants of those positions are kept aware of this list.

**National Historic Places Register**

Members will review lists to suggest candidates for the Register.

Next Meeting: April 21st (planned)  
Motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 8:56pm