

Town of Maynard  
MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING  
Tuesday, October 18, 2016 - Maynard Public Library

Meeting called to order by Jack MacKeen at 7:03 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack MacKeen, Lee Caras, Dave Griffin, Ken Neuhauser (7:10)  
Guest: John Courville (soon to be sworn in as an alternate member) (7:15)

OLD BUSINESS

Approved Minutes of September 20th. Motion by Dave, seconded by Lee. After amending the minutes to note an annual subscription to Freedom's Way Heritage Association and to correct the spelling of Michele Grenier's name, the minutes were approved.

Status of approval by Massachusetts Historical Commission of Maynard's MACRIS Survey, Phase Two: still under review.

Glenwood Cemetery Pond Renewal: Michele Grenier will add this as an agenda item for the next Conservation Commission meeting. Our Commission needs to define the scope of the project so we can apply to CPA for feasibility study funding.

Demolition Delay Bylaw: Ken reported that he was expecting to receive an email of the bylaw draft as reformatted by the town Bylaw Committee. He gave a brief report of his recent meeting with that Committee.

MOTION: to approve the Demolition Delay Bylaw subject to the reformatting and to small changes in definitions in our draft made by the Bylaw subcommittee, which are deemed not to be substantive. Motion by Dave. Seconded by Ken. Approved.

ACTION ITEM: Jack will draft the final article for Town Meeting once the Bylaw Committee has provided the reformatted draft document.

ACTION ITEM: Ensure that the finalized list of Historically Significant Buildings is attached to the Bylaw and will be available for handout at Town Meeting.

Rail Trail Historic Marker: Maynard's official contact to AART is now Michele Grenier. Acton used the consultant Lynn Horsky to develop their marker. Lee presented a mockup of the panel to be located at Main/Sudbury Streets.

MOTION: to approve the content of the panel for Main/Sudbury Streets, made by Dave. Seconded by Ken. Approved.

A brief discussion of a second marker, possibly to be located at the site of the Marble Farm foundation followed.

Sesquicentennial: Jack proposed a facilitated public meeting with a number of "key" people as invitees to explore thoughts about the size and scope of the celebration. Results

would assist the Board of Selectmen in determining the funding level for the celebration.

**ACTION ITEM:** Jack will work with the Town to secure a facilitator for a public visioning session.

Historical Markers: the DPW will work on the Car Barn sign installation, which is targeted for completion before winter.

## NEW BUSINESS

Creation of a trust or revolving fund for historic preservation through CPA: a Town Meeting vote will be required to create such an account to hold CPA-approved funds--similar to what the Conservation Commission now has. The purpose of such a trust/fund would be to provide flexible and timely access to funds needed by the Commission under a demolition delay scenario. The Commission will aim to bring this to a vote at the January Town Meeting.

The Commission needs to link its activities in a more timely fashion to historic preservation grant cycles and to understand more fully the range of grants and their deadlines.

**ACTION ITEM:** Jack will contact Chris Skelly of the Massachusetts Historical Commission regarding the annual grants calendar.

## OTHER

MHC workshop, "HISTORIC PRESERVATION: WITH OR WITHOUT A LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICT". Lee attended this workshop held on 9/22/116 and will circulate notes to the Commission.

Next Meeting: November 15, 2016  
Motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 8:42 pm