

Town of Maynard
MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, January 17, 2017 - Maynard Public Library

Meeting called to order by Jack MacKeen at 7:00 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack MacKeen, Lee Caras, Ken Neuhauser, Dave Griffin, Peg Brown, Paul Boothroyd and John Courville.

Approved Minutes of November 15th meeting. Motion by Jack; seconded by Paul. Approved.
Approved Minutes of December 1st meeting. Motion by Jack; seconded by Peg. Approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Demolition-Delay Bylaw

Thanks given to Jack for his presentation at January Town Meeting. He also reported congratulations received from Chris Skelly of the Mass Historical Commission. Rick Asmann, Maynard Building Inspector, will attend our 2/21 meeting to discuss his concerns about the new bylaw. Tim Hess, chairperson of the Maynard Cultural Council has asked for broad community input in demo-delay processes. Allen Quinn, a local realtor has contacted Jack about the potential sale of the Grueber Bros. building. A straw vote of Commission members did not favor a demo-delay action for the building if a demolition permit was requested. Jack noted that following MA Attorney General's approval of our bylaw (typically 45-60 days after town approval), all listed property owners will need to be notified that it is in effect. Dave asked if the Board of Assessors might be willing to add a notation to their data file regarding Historically Significant Buildings subject to demo delay.

MACRIS - Phase Two

Lee will contact Joan Rockwell re: providing documentation of correspondence with the MA Commission about approval of the survey forms. Possible involvement on Maynard's behalf by our state rep was considered. An invoice for Joan's final payment will be prepared and processed.

Sesquicentennial planning update: Brief discussion of Priscilla's upcoming survey and thoughts about where it should be posted.

AART historic markers: Waiting to hear from panels consultant, Lynn Horsky. Brief discussion about cleanup and maintenance efforts the DPW plans at the Marble Homestead.

Glenwood Cemetery Pond renewal: Paul is leading this effort and has contacted Michele Grenier and Aaron Miklosko. A cost estimate for the project needs to be done for a funding match with the CPA.

NEW BUSINESS

The Commission's plan for a revolving type of CPA fund: Ken will contact Michael Guzzo, Town Treasurer, regarding a funding pool of approximately \$25,000 per year that could be tapped for historic projects that occur outside the parameters of the CPC annual funding cycle.

Historical Markers: Proposing new markers, including St. Bridget's

ACTION ITEM: each Commission member should review the Demo-delay bylaw properties list and choose 4-5 additional marker suggestions.

Historic restoration awards: Possibilities discussed. Need for award parameters noted.

Promotion, Communication, Use of Social Media: Following a brief discussion of the need for a communications director, John volunteered to follow up with an ideas report.

Additional members/recruiting: Dave has resigned; Paul has agreed to become a full member. There are two openings for alternate members.

OTHER BUSINESS/MEMBERS' THOUGHTS

At the next BOS meeting, 100-year-old Benny Sofka will receive the Boston Post Cane. Andrew Scribner-MacLean has applied for state funding to replace missing plaques in Glenwood Cemetery.

Member additions noted for annual Commission report to the Town.

Jack will send a note to the Cultural Council re: 4/19 Founders' Day Celebration.

Paul mentioned a project to compile obituary records for people buried at Glenwood.

Peg mentioned that a college student study of self-guided historic walking tours done for Princeton, MA, had opined that our tours were too long and too fact-oriented

Motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 8:30pm

Next Meeting: February 21, 2017