

Town of Maynard  
MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING  
Tuesday, June 18, 2019

Meeting called to order by Jack MacKeen at 6:38pm in the Maynard Public Library Trustees' Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack MacKeen, Paul Boothroyd, Ellen Duggan, Lee Caras, Priscilla Sandberg, John Courville and Brion Berghaus.

Priscilla made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21st meeting. Seconded by Ellen. Approved.

#### CURRENT TOPICS

Historic Plaques and Markers: funds spent this year to date = \$220. \$85 for an additional plaque tonight. Discussion: should street addresses be added to new plaques? Lee's motion that the street address be placed in the lower left-hand corner of each new historic building plaque was seconded by Paul and approved. The following plaques are now in mockup form:

- 1- Lucius Maynard house
- 2- Mill wool warehouse (165 Main Street)
- 3- Asa Smith house
- 4- Lorenzo Maynard house
- 5- Lorenzo Maynard carriage house
- 6- Louis Brigham house/Asparagus Farm
- 7- William Parker house
- 8- Colonial Hall/Woolworth's

Regarding 165 Main Street, Jack will try to contact the owner by telephone to get permission for the plaque installation. Contact information for owners of the other properties listed above will also be needed.

Other suggestions for plaques were offered:

- 1- 4 Bancroft Street
- 2- 174 Main Street
- 3- the Finnish Church
- 4- St. Bridget's Rectory
- 5- the former synagogue by Brown Street

Historic Markers for the Mill: Ellen and Lee are working on draft storyboards with photographs.

Signage for St. Bridget's Cemetery: the plan is to produce a two-sided sign similar to the one at Glenwood Cemetery. Quotes have been received from SignLogics and from MassCor for portions of the work.

Ideas offered for Historical Commission Sesquicentennial projects:

- 1- pop-up exhibits downtown. Sara Lundberg would like to be involved
- 2- a senior project by a Maynard High School student
- 3- a calendar based on the "Maynard Then & Now" exhibit
- 4- walking tours
- 5- a seminar at the Library on house deed research
- 6- a book detailing all Maynard plaques and markers
- 7- a time capsule

In addition, Paul will speak to Jamie Eldridge, our state senator, about Maynard's flag.

Paul and Jack are tackling a project to sort out several boxes of mixed Commission and Historical Society materials that Paul has been caretaking.

CPC Funding: Paul is meeting with the town engineer, Wayne Amico about the potential for a project to correct the signage on the Town bound at the intersection of Maynard, Concord, Sudbury and Acton. Other project ideas for funding include the restoration of the foundation at the Marble Farm site and a project to restore and display the Mill's curfew bell, currently located at the Finnish Church.

#### NEW TOPICS

Historically Significant Properties List: Jack moved the the list remain unchanged for another year. Paul seconded the motion; it was approved.

Election of Commission officers: Jack agreed to be re-appointed Chairperson as long as Commission members agreed to develop plan for transitioning to a new Chairperson before next June's elections. Ellen suggested there could be co-chairs. All other Officers will continue in their positions fo another year.

#### OTHER

There will be no further regular Commission meetings until September. However, an ad hoc group will probably meet several times during the summer to review work being done by Kathy Broomer, our consultant for the MACRIS Survey, Phase 3.

A motion to adjourn at 8:35pm was made by Ellen and seconded by Paul. Approved.

NEXT MEETING will be September 17, 2019, at the Maynard Town Building Campbell Room at 6:30pm.