

Town of Maynard
MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, April 15, 2014 - Maynard Public Library

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

Members Present: Jack MacKeen, Lee Caras, Ellen Duggan, Dave Griffin

Guest: Ken Neuhauser

Approve Minutes of Mar 18, by Ellen, 2nd Lee. Unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS

2014 Historical Marker Program

Reviewed draft plaques for Coolidge School, Erickson's, Union Congregational Church, Maynard Trust Company, Masonic Building. We have positive agreements footprint all but the Masonic building (still trying to contact the new owner).

Discussed how we might create a marker for the Mill complex.

Coolidge School

Jack met with Superintendent Gerardi. He expressed interest in cooperating with the MHC in the future of the building.

Glenwood Cemetery Fence

DPW has issued the purchase orders for the fence extensions we had previously reviewed and approved (receiving tomb, Maynard tomb, etc.) They are also looking to repair some masonry around the receiving tomb. MassCor is working on the national register sign post/frame.

Jack discovered additional damage to the fence near the Maynard tomb end.

Maynard Tomb door repair. MassCor will evaluate repair costs (separate from the CPA project).

Grant Applications

Lee is meeting with Erik Hansen in 2 weeks to select the 20 buildings to include in the exhibit.

CPA grant for the MACRIS work will be voted on at Annual Town Meeting. In the hopes of it being approved, a search for consultants has begun. If we cannot locate a qualified state contractor the Asst. TM will help us write an RFP.

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NEW BUSINESS

Position on the Methodist Church and Masonic Building

While interior renovations continue, the building seems to be in a safe place from our perspective.

The Commission expressed concern for all of the historical church buildings which are universally under stress due to societal changes.

Sesquicentennial Time Capsule / Town Hall Display Case

The Asst. TM is looking to create a historical display case for the town hall lobby. The newly discovered time capsule in the vault will play a part.

MHC achievements and review

Reviewed a summary of the past few years projects and activities.

Demolition Delay Bylaw

The commission is seeking to start the process of drafting a bylaw along with the background work needed for that (e.g., Chris Skelly, Mass Historical), leveraging it with the Maynard Then and Now exhibit, etc.

Next Meetings: May 20th, June 17th.
Motion to adjourn. Adjourned at 8:38pm