

Town of Maynard
MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, September 15, 2020

The meeting, via Zoom, was called to order by Jack MacKeen at 6:30pm.

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

Approval of the minutes from the prior meeting held on 7/21/20 was postponed.

CURRENT TOPICS

Curfew bell preservation update - Ellen reported that the removal of the bell from the tower of the Finnish Church has been postponed to a date when Eversource can schedule cutting off power in the area. The work of the rigging company (O. B. Hill), Bill Goddard (the carpenter), the Church trustees and the Maynard DPW will all be involved in various phases of the bell's removal and move to temporary storage at the DPW Winter Street depot. The event will be recognized by the Town and photographed by the press. Remaining CPC grant funding will provide for the bell's eventual installation.

Historic Marker for the Mill - Jack reported that the Select Board has approved a permit for the Marker under the guidelines for an "interpretive sign". The Board also authorized an unsolicited gift of \$500 from the Community Enhancement Fund, which might be used for a "kick off" event at the Marker at some future date. Becky Mosca, Secretary to the Board, has volunteered to accept and track all donations made for the Marker. Installation will be later this fall.

Sesquicentennial update - Ellen reported that the 150th Committee will sponsor an outdoor "drive-in movie" style showing of Back to the Future on October 3 at the Fowler Middle School. She also reported that plans are being made to use 22 copies of the Kenney family history book as 150th celebration gifts. Other plans will be forthcoming from the Committee.

CPC applications for fall projects - Ellen and Paul submitted a preliminary application for a second round of gravestone cleaning and restoration at Glenwood Cemetery. There was also discussion about restoration of the 12:10 lunchtime air horn on the fire station. Jack said that a consultant would be needed to assess whether restoration or replacement was required. Ellen will ask David Mark if he would speak to the fire chief about the situation.

At 7:45 Jack moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Ellen and approved.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: October 20, 2020 and November 17, 2020