

Medway Historical Commission
Agenda for Meeting and Public Hearing
Medway Senior Center, 76 Oakland Street, Medway, MA
Wednesday, January 16, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

1. Check attendance and CTO: Gene, Cher, Jeanne, Bruce, Paul, Kathy; Secretary Ashley Burns is unable to attend.

Introduce guests: Barbara Saint Andre (Community & Economic Development); See sign-in sheet for other attendees

We now have six HC members; one more member is still needed.

2. Public Hearing on application by Patrick Larkin to demolish buildings at 21 High Street

Open the hearing: time—

Jeanne—Introduction, description of house. (built between 1830-1850)

The Historical Commission determined at its December 5th meeting that the house is historically significant, and Mr. Larkin conducted a tour on Dec. 14th for HC members. This hearing is to hear comments from neighbors and other interested parties.

Introduce Patrick Larkin (Larkin Real Estate Group) (owner: Medway Development, LLC) They want to build multi-family units on about 4 acres. They plan to repair the house and take down the attached barn and out building. Mr. Larkin will comment on plans for the property.

Invite comments from the public.

Close the public hearing.

There is still a question: Can we delay demolition of just the house and NOT object to the demolition of the other buildings on the property?

3. Minutes of previous meetings – November 7th and December 5th. Motion to approve: _____ 2nd _____

Jeanne recommends we wait to approve until our January meeting.

4. Treasurer's report –Gene

5. CPC Report (Gene)-- since our last meeting (Nov. 7, 2018)

6. Project updates/recap

A. Evergreen— grant application status. Paul Russell report; Barbara Saint Andre may explain the procedure. Application approved for final round; we cannot hire a consultant until we know if the grant has been awarded.

B. House plaques for historical houses—Cher (still needs Town Seal?)

C. Original-town-hall model—on hold

D. New Demolition application form— Used by one applicant in November, Mr. Larkin.

Were we satisfied that it worked properly?

E. For the future as discussed previously: Consideration of proposal to nominate the Ide House and its neighbor to the National Register. This would also require funding for a consultant to help us. Paul is working on this and has been corresponding with possible consultants, gathering information as to cost of such a project. Possible application for grant in 2019? Paul report; Barbara explain further if needed. The grant money would be used to help with repairs and restoration.

F. Selectmen's "Thank-you Dinner" on Monday, Dec. 10, 7:30 at the Thayer House was very nice and well-attended. Four of our members attended.

7. New business that may come before this commission.

Adjourn

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