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TOWN OF MEDWAY

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Revised Agenda

September 22, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Senior Center, Oakland Street

Check attendance; call meeting to order

Paul Russell, Jeanne Johnson, Cher Hamilton, Kenzie Ward, Eugene Liscombe, Morgan Harris, Rich Eustis Secretary: Katie Mitchell; Barbara Saint Andre, Director, Community and Economic Development

1. Demolition applications to consider- 243 Village Street,

received by Building Commissioner Mee on Sept. 13; applicants: Karen & Mark Moroney Small office building on ¼ acre, corner of Village St. and Charles River Rd. Location of former C.E. King Insurance agency.

- 2. Review Minutes of August 25 meeting
- 3. Treasurer's report (Gene Liscombe)-
- 4. Report of CPC meetings (Gene Liscombe)
- 5. Project updates (Old Business)-
 - A. Evergreen Cemetery -- (Paul report)
 - B. Flagpoles for cemeteries and park

C. fencing for Garnsey house foundation/dog park site (Paul report--communication with Peter Pelletier and Anyfence for installation)

- C. Flexible wraps around traffic signal boxes—further discussion??
- D. Local Historic Districts—further discussion?
- 6. New business

A. BELL: (Photo attached to e-mail) <u>E-mail from Assist. TM Allison Potter</u> had a call from Eric Madrid, who says he knows of a bell that is about 3' x 2.5' inscribed "Medway, Mass. 1842," which the owner would sell for about \$15,000. It was in Windsor VT on the New Hampshire border - the first town in Vermont. Looks awesome! Way out of our budget! Perhaps preservation funds????? His # is 603-309-6370. <u>Note from Jeanne</u>: this bell was manufactured by the Holbrook Bell Company located in what is now Millis. From this website, the bell from Windsor, VT is this one: Windsor, VT, South Congregational Church, CAST BY G.H.HOLBROOK EAST MEDWAY MASS 1842 (information from this website-<u>A National List of Holbrook Bells</u>). There are at least two Holbrook bells in Medway: Community Church (West Medway, MA, The Second Congregational Church (Community Church), CAST BY GEORGE H. HOLBROOK E. MEDWAY MASS 1834) and (Medway, MA, Village Church, [1838], (with Holbrook tower clock installed in 1850). There are at least two bells in Millis. Links to

pages detailing the history of the Holbrook Company are broken, but some information can be found by searching online. I think Medway Library has some information on their website.

B. GRANITE SLAB: (Photo attached to e-mail) <u>E-mail from Exec. Assist. to TM Liz Langley</u>, regarding granite slab imprinted "Thayer Hall." Maine resident Brian Langley offered it to the town for \$1,200. After several residents considered it, consensus is this does not seem related to Medway and we are not interested.

C. consider designating a 1963 Maxim fire pumper a historic resource

C. Other business? Jeanne will be unavailable for Oct. 27 meeting. Can Paul chair it?

7. Adjourn

Next meeting: October 27, 2021, 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. Jeanne Johnson, Chairman, 508-533-4461