

Tewksbury Historical Commission
Monday, March 17, 2014
Trustee's Room, Tewksbury Public Library

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BOARD OF REGISTRARS
TEWKSBURY, MA

Meeting opened: 6:34p.m.

Present: Chairman William Wyatt, Warren Carey, M. Eileen McDonagh, Thomas Churchill
Absent: Michael Hurton, Robert Hunter

Visitor: Bob Cahill

Secretary's report Monday, March 3, 2014: Motion by Warren Carey, seconded by William Wyatt to accept the minutes as written passed with the Chair voting aye and Thomas Churchill voting present.

Secretary's report Monday, January 20, 2014: Motion by Thomas Churchill, seconded by Warren Carey to accept the minutes as written passed unanimously with the Chair voting aye.

Correspondence:

The Chair notified the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen that the Historical Commission supports the Historical Society's "Line of March" project.

The Chair spoke with Michael Steinitz at the Massachusetts Historical Commission regarding Preservation Restrictions. He was referred to the Appraisal Institute to find appraisers with this specialty. Five were found in Massachusetts and the Chair gave this information to the Chairman of the Community Preservation Committee.

Mr. Steinitz had information on Preservation Restrictions and promised to E-Mail this to the Commission Chairman and Steven Sadwick, Director of Community Development. As of March 16th the Chair had not received the E-Mail.

The Chair later E-Mailed Mr. Steinitz asking if a representative from the MHC could attend a meeting of the Tewksbury Historical Commission to discuss the MHC's functions and how they interact with local Historical Commissions and what resources they have that can assist us in our duties.

Two Railroad structures historical surveys have been submitted to Peter Stott at the MHC.

Demolition applications:

Four applications were received. These were reviewed by the Chair and found not subject to the By-Law.

Marshall House follow-up/Preservation Restrictions:

The Chair will send a copy of the March 3rd, 2014 meeting to the Town Manager and the CPC, highlighting the motion to support the plan for the Marshall House.

Thomas Churchill is a member of the CPC and will bring copies of their minutes to the Commission's next meeting.

The Commission questioned who can hold Restrictions on property, how the Restrictions can be written so they can be enforced, who can enforce them and do they have the legal ability to do so?

New Business:

The Commission discussed inviting Keith Rauseo and James Gaffney to the May meeting. The Commission would like to gift them with something to show appreciation for their service to the town.

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After discussion, Warren Carey made the motion, seconded by Thomas Churchill that "The Commission present former members and Chairmen, Attny. James Gaffney and Keith Rauseo with gifts of recognition. Awards to be determined by the Chairman and Mr. Churchill and any costs to be borne by the Historical Commission members" The Chair voted aye and the motion passed unanimously.

Next Commission meeting: 6:30p.m. Monday, May 19, 2014
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Motion by Warren Carey, seconded by Thomas Churchill to adjourn at 7:19p.m. passed unanimously with the Chair voting aye.

Respectfully submitted:

M. Eileen McDonagh

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Secretary

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