AGENDA

Longmeadow Historical Commission Meeting Wednesday, June 20, 2018 7:00 pm, in the Longmeadow Public Library

In Attendance: Maggy Cohn, Barbara Fitzgerald, Dave Marinelli, Beth Hoff, Jeff Spear, Tim Casey

Called to order 7:05

Minutes from May accepted

Old Business

Old Train Station – Town Survey and Amherst

Nothing new to report. Amherst Railroad Society (ARS) wants to move forward but must wait until the report is done. They must be able to move the building in order to restore it. John Sacerdote is the President of the ARS.

Collaboration with East Longmeadow – 125 years since our split

Steve hasn't heard back from the East Longmeadow people. The Longmeadow Historical Society will include the split in their display schedule.

Tom Higgins and his book about Longmeadow

Coming out in July.

The Historical Society has put out a book of the Throwback Thursday pictures.

A program highlighting both titles may occur in the Fall.

Barns of Longmeadow

Nothing new to report.

Demolition Delay/Historic District Commission - Bylaws: Time difference

The HDC has decided that bylaw synchronization is not necessary, since the Demolition Delay Bylaw and Historic District regulations are independent. The longest applicable delay period will prevail.

Historical Commission/Historic District Commission - Bylaws

Tim Casey has recently been appointed to the Historic District Commission.

Tim will parse the current bylaws as part of a project to clarify what bylaws apply to which commission.

Letter from Robert and Susan Thomas -follow-up

Beth checked the vault at town hall but she could not find anything on 44 Birnie Road because the information is organized by owners' names. The house could have been moved to this location at some time. Beth indicated that the house should probably stay on the list at this time. The Demolition Delay Committee can't make the determination that the house is not historically significant at this time. We need to research who was living there, if it was moved and do a title search. Tim will research census and title records.

New Business

St. Andrews' response to Demolition Delay letter

384 Longmeadow St. resident sent letter concerning a deck on the back of the house that he wants to replace. Would that trigger the demolition delay? We do not think it would.

The mission of the Longmeadow Historical Commission is to identify, preserve and educate the Town about its unique heritage.

Bill from St. Andrews sent a copy of the 1924 new construction building permit. That would be a reason to remove the building from the list of historic buildings.

Any other New Business

Petticoats to Pants program sponsored by the Historical Society at the Adult Center this coming Thursday/ Ghost in the Graveyard program will be scheduled for September this year.

All members up for renewal were re-appointed to the Commission.

Letter sent to Stantec.

Next Meeting, September 20, 2018

The meeting place for future meetings was discussed as was the preferred day for meetings.

Minutes of this meeting will be emailed to committee members for review.

Adjourn approx. 8:15 p.m.