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Longmeadow Historical Commission
Special Meeting
Thursday, November 1, 2018
7:00 pm, in the Adult Center at Greenwood

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

Guests: none

Called to order at 7:03 p.m.

New Business

Tennessee Gas and Pipeline Metering Station at Longmeadow Country Club

The gas company is planning on building several buildings. They provided documents that detail their search for a suitable location. The proposed location of these structures is the southeast corner of the Longmeadow Country Club, in the vicinity of existing golf-related structures.

Discussion:

The Commission discussed the Area of Potential Effect based on site review documents. One flint flake was found during their research, but there does not appear to be any area of obvious historical significance. However, should the construction reveal artifacts, structures or other items of significance, the Commission should be notified. A letter will be drafted to address this concern.

CPC Applications

The Commission discussed the three potential sources of funds that will facilitate research on the 190 existing Longmeadow houses and barns that were built before the year 1900. The funds will be used to survey these structures. There was a unanimous vote in favor of moving forward to apply for funds from the Massachusetts Historic Commission and the CPC. Ultimately, the structures will either require a new survey or update of an existing survey taken several decades ago.

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

Ely Road Barn

The Commission discussed the potential ways of moving or otherwise salvaging the Ely Road barn that is awaiting demolition. Due to the excessive cost, the Commission has no clear-cut solution. It was decided that the Commission will not sponsor or initiate any type of fund raising campaign in regards to this endeavor. The fate of the barn will remain in the hands of the Townspeople, should an initiative be created by its citizens.

Next Meeting - November 15th
Adjourn - 7:49