

Dracut Historical Commission Meeting Minutes Wednesday, November 18, 2015

Present: Dave Paquin, Chairman

Bob Kohanski, Asst. Chairman

Harvey Gagnon

Louise Tremblay

Marc Gosselin

Linda Kawa

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Minutes:

Chairman Paquin called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, at the Historic Building, 1660 Lakeview Ave. The minutes of the November 18, 2015 meeting, passed on a motion by of Ms. Kawa, seconded by Mr. Kochanski.

Community Input

None

Old Business

Chairman Paquin explained that he, Betsy and Harvey toured the Grange Hall to check on the viability of the building itself. Dave stated it was in good, physical construction shape. It needs some work, the roof, etc. To rehab the building it would need some handicap accessibility.

Mr. Gosselin stated as far as the Handicap Accessibility with the building, there are parts of the law that states, when a building is rehabilitated, you must bring it up to a certain code regarding ADA but there is also another part of that law that talks about Historic Buildings, there is a lot of relief from ADA that you get because it's a Historic Building.

Mr. Paquin explained that first we have to make some determinations on who is going to own this building, right now the church has first dibs on the building. Mr. Paquin explained that he has heard the church wants to own the building but is suspicious that they will just lock the doors and walk away from it. They just want to have the possession of it. They probably will just let it keep in disrepair, tear it down and then use it for parking.

Linda Kawa asked, what was the Grange going to do, where they going to offer very little money to the church to take it over. Mr. Paquin stated yes, even just a dollar figure.

Linda stated the Historic commissioners and the Town have a valued interest in that building, couldn't we make them an offer that they would just walk away with. If the Grant money comes in along with some CPC funds. Mr. Paquin explained that Betsy is going to start into looking into some possible grants works for this.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report was read along with the following bills which were paid by the Treasurer:

November

Gas \$28.66

1 Landscaping Bills for \$110.00

Electric \$223.95

Water \$30.87

Sewer \$130.46

Ms. Tremblay made a motion to approve payment of these invoices. This was seconded by Linda Kawa. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm on a motion of Ms. Tremblay and seconded by Mr. Gosselin.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marylee Enos, Recording Secretary