

Medway Historical Commission

Medway Historical Society, 223 Main Street

April 3, 2013

Minutes

Confirmation of quorum: Rob Pomponio, Jeanne Johnson, Grace Hoag, Paul Russell

Guests: Gene Liscombe (waiting to become a member); Barry Camille; Lee Thomas, both of Westborough (7:30). Eric Alexander (8:05) No one was on agenda as we received no prior notice, but we heard what they had to say.

CTO: 7:30 p.m.

1. Barry Camille is considering purchasing the old firehouse and Cole Library (for sale now) and would like to know if he could connect the two buildings, possibly with a “breezeway” at the rear of the buildings. Anticipating any possible problems. He has a copy of the deed restrictions. Rob explained our position. We are hopeful that anyone who buys a historic property is buying it because they want to keep it as a historic building. Replacing the type of heat, etc., would be up to the homeowner and permitting authorities. There was discussion of some of its history and architecture.

2. All here completed the online ethics training discussed last month.

3. No updates on Evergreen Cemetery.

4. Eric Alexander, 3 Phillips Street, wanted to comment on Joel D’errico plan to purchase Legion Hall and put up housing units (see HC minutes, March 2013). He and his wife support affordable housing project; if demolition were to be carried out, they would like to see some type of affordable housing there, whether it’s the plan proposed by Joel or some other plan.

5. Affordable housing—there was some discussion of use of the old Legion property on Cutler Street. The Affordable Housing Trust is active.

6. The historic signs need to be put up. Rob will go with Tom Holder to select the places, take pictures, and submit them for review. Bob McGee, Hwy Dept., will actually have them installed.

7. No information on the Thayer project.

8. Update from Rob--CPC-Thayer Development Committee has picked a contractor and they are ready to start building.

9. Grace said someone else (Keith Crompton, AKA Gopton) is interested in the Firehouse and Elizabeth Cole Library.

Adjourn at 8:39 p.m.

Next meeting May 1st, 7:30.