

Medway Historical Commission  
**Minutes**  
Historical Society Building, 223 Main St., Medway

**Wednesday, February 3, 2016, 7:30 p.m.**

7:40 pm CTO. Gene Liscomb, Paul Russell, and Jeanne Johnson were present; Mark Wilcox and Alex Burinskiy were unable to attend, so we had no quorum for making decisions.

The **minutes** from the December 2015 and January 2016 meetings were reviewed and approved by all present. The November minutes still need to be transcribed.

**Demolition** applications: an application to demolish the house at 42 Highland Street was picked up at Town Hall today. The applicant, Matthew Smith, is not the owner; therefore, we could not take any action. Jeanne will notify him.

**CPC report** Gene Liscomb reported that the Affordable Housing Commission is buying a house on Kingston Lane that was previously in the system and which is now in foreclosure. They want to keep it in the system and will resell it. No approval was required as the money was already available.

Matondi Square Project was approved for \$4,500 for six flagpoles and a replacement American flag. A light for the flag will also be installed.

CPC voted favorably on our project to preserve historical documents.

There was discussion on developing walking trails from the Adams Street property to Lovering Street.

On **Project Updates**, Paul discussed the **historical document preservation** project which the CPC approved in January and with which we all agreed. Tonight he shared the wording of the article as it will be submitted for inclusion on the Town Meeting Warrant. Gene L. will take it to Allison Potter, assistant to the Town Administrator, tomorrow and she will make any changes in legal wording that may be needed. Jeanne moved to approve the wording; Gene L. seconded the motion. All approved.

Mark let us know by e-mail that he has too much work right now to give attention to the documents he has accumulated regarding **Evergreen Cemetery**, in particular, scanning them so that Stacey can work with them on our planned application to nominate the cemetery to the Nat'l Register of Historic Places. Paul volunteered to get the documents from Mark and do the scanning. Jeanne will notify Mark of this.

In **other business**, Jeanne called the Town Administrator's office and spoke with Allison Potter about our **annual budget**. Allison said an article to restore our budget for FY 2017 will be included on the TM Warrant.

Our annual report for 2015 is due.

Regarding **Matondi Square** – Jeanne sent a letter on January 8<sup>th</sup> to the CPC notifying them that we agree that the square is an important historical location and should qualify for CPA funds for new flagpoles.

Adjourned at 8:20 pm (Gene moved, Paul seconded)

Next Regular Meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2016 at 7:30pm, Historical Society Building, 223 Main Street, Medway, MA 02053

Call Jeanne Johnson, 508-533-4461 with questions or for further information.

These minutes were prepared by Jeanne Johnson.