

**Minutes**  
**Longmeadow Historical Commission Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 24, 2019**  
**7:00 pm, in the Meeting Room at the Fire Station**

In Attendance: **Maggy Cohn, Barbara Fitzgerald, Beth Hoff, Dave Marinelli and Steve Weiss**

Called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes from December 20, 2018 meeting approved as amended

**Old Business**

Old Train Station – Town Survey - No news

Collaboration with East Longmeadow – 125 years since our split

No news although Beth has heard that Bruce Moore is the contact for East Longmeadow Historical Commission.

The Barns of Longmeadow

Maggy reported that she and Shannon Walsh of the PVP surveyed all the barns last week.

One of the homeowners (Maple Rd) is planning to send some newspapers she found in her barn/garage to Shannon.

The barn at one of the Longmeadow St. houses south of the green used to be a school.

909 Longmeadow St. has changed hands.

They found one barn that is not on the list.

Shannon is planning to compare her other records to see that they corroborate what she and Maggy saw.

Building Demolition Delay – Language

At the January 7th Building Demolition Delay meeting the suggested bylaw change prepared by Steve was approved. The next step is for the Select Board to look at the suggested wording and then the Town Counsel will need to review it. The final step is for the suggested change to be presented at the town meeting for a vote.

Historical Commission/Historical District Commission – Bylaws - No report

44 Birnie Road Investigation –follow-up

It will be investigated as part of the proposed Massachusetts Historical Commission survey.

Report from the Historical Society

A lot of programs coming up:

Discovering New England Stone Walls with Kevin Gardner on February 4th at Storrs Library

An afternoon with Sarah Storrs at the Senior Center on February 27th

'In Flew Enza on February 25th at Storrs Library

April 8 Massachusetts in the Women's Suffrage Movement at Storrs Library

May 18 - 19 Longmeadowe Days.

Heating going in on the second floor

Finding Aid is almost completed and is available through the Longmeadow Historical Society's website.

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Longmeadow Street Historic District – Curb Cuts - No News

Community Preservation Commission – LHC application

Jan. 29 is the CPC meeting to consider what applications to accept. Over one million in applications for \$500,000 in funds. Bonding for the Wolf Swamp Fields project to complete the work on the fields under discussion/consideration. This would tie up the community preservation funds for ten years. An override is also under discussion. Master plan for the field is about 1.5 million dollars.

Massachusetts Historical Commission – Survey and Planning Grant application

Beth is working on it. We need to appoint a local project coordinator for this grant. Other details discussed. Due Feb. 11th

In the past there has been limited access to the archives of the Storrs House. Documentation about some of the houses is located in these archives. Beth recommended that this committee scan some of this documentation so it is available to the committee when needed.

Brewer-Young Mansion – update

Steve shared a report from Andrew Lam.

Section 106 Review – questions - No news

### **New Business**

Mailbox contents

The Historical Commission received a packet from the Public Archaeology Laboratory informing the Commission that the Massachusetts Historic Commission requested an updated historical inventory form on the Longmeadow Country Club. The inventory form includes info about the historic LCC golf course, a designed historic landscape, and updates info about the previously inventoried buildings that are associated with the landscape. This packet of information has been provided to the commission for our records.

2018 Annual Town Report

Maggy reviewed content to submit for the annual town report.

Western Massachusetts Historical Commission Coalition

Wednesday, March 20th, there is a talk on adaptive reuse of historic buildings. The program will be held in Greenfield. Maggy is planning to go. This is a timely topic since there are several Longmeadow houses that may be threatened in the future.

Any other New Business

Inviting Stephen Crane to attend a meeting in the Fall so that he can give the Commission an overview of upcoming projects requiring Commission review was discussed.

Next Meeting, February 21, 2019

Annual town meeting scheduled for May 14th. Articles, etc. must be submitted to the Select Board by February 25th.

Adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

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