

Historical Commission Minutes November 2023

The Lunenburg Historical Commission met at the Ritter building on the second of November. All members were present. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

New correspondence was received from the building inspector following an inspection on 899 Flat hill road. The structure had already undergone demolition without a demolition permit.

Further research showed that the building was built in 1925, and the owner was asked to stop the job until all the correct steps were taken for the demolition.

New business regarding the Marshall park tunnels was brought to our attention. At the moment, they remain closed off and in disrepair. Mass Historical Commission says these could qualify as a historic site, so it will be discussed at the next meeting as to whether or not these should be deemed historic and if they are worth saving.

Returning to older business, the town survey has been signed and a formal application has been submitted. As it turns out, the \$25,000 budget allotted for the survey would allow for up to 80-100 historic sites in town to be included. This means we will have to find additional sites on top of the K houses, and this is to be discussed further with the consultant.

Continuing with Hometown Heroes, the plan is to be presented to the APDC and select board for approval. A design for the banners has been decided on by the commission. Jen is to check with the DPW to figure out who to contact in regards to the utility poles.

The state of the Arnold Litch cemetery still remains uncertain, and there is the possibility the town could obtain the land by eminent domain.

The plan for the commission's yearly budget is to put funds towards the hometown heroes project and use the remainder for historic markers, which we plan to research further and find sites in town suitable for marking.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.