

Topic: Mordecai Lincoln Property Committee Meeting
Time: March 14th, 2024, 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Hybrid Meeting: Scituate Town Library, Small Meeting Room (lower level),
85 Branch St, Scituate, MA 02066 and ZOOM

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The Mordecai Lincoln Property Committee is committed to providing an environment of respect during meetings. We ask all members to interact in a polite manner even when there is disagreement. We value the participation of our community and want all participants, including marginalized and minoritized communities, to feel welcomed and respected. We ask our committee members, and all who participate, to commit to these standards to support and respect our community.

Agenda:

Meeting called to Order 6:33 PM

Committee Accepted agenda at 6:34 PM

Call to order, roll call-

[X] James Glinski

[X] Elise Beaulieu

[X] James Dishong

[X] Penny Scott Pipes

[X] Alexander Paine

[O] Karen Canfield

[O] Kevin Kelly

[O] Jane Buettner

[X] Susan Harrison

Abutting neighbors attended:

Sherman Smith & Linda Heath

Janet Provost

- Review of meeting minutes: February 29th, 2024
Voted to accept meeting minutes-unanimous at 6:39PM
- Old business-
* Septic system assessment (Penny, Kevin). Review of the septic systems is postponed.
Review of the septic system, tank, leaching fields will be done by Pete Spencer once the weather clears.

Work stream updates based on "The Charge" from the Select Board:

1. Alexander Paine- Review and evaluate all relevant materials including CPC application, Historical Commission memo, and Inspection Report.

Update: Discussion about the possible sources of funding 501 and C3 application. Restoration of the main house/building with CPC funds and grants. There was discussion of the overall restoration

costs of the main building as being \$500,000 but this is an early magnitude estimate to be refined

2. James Glinski- Interview relevant boards and committees and consult with experts in historical properties and open space.

Update: Meeting with Samantha Woods, Executive Director, from the North and South Rivers Watershed Association. This association is involved with education, engaging people with the outdoors and performs as “water stewards” for local rivers and streams. Addressed the educational programs for students that would also include the historic Mordecai Lincoln Property.

3. Elise Beaulieu- Develop with committee an online survey of Scituate residents.

Update: The Town-wide Survey has been completed and awaits the final comments/approval of the Select Board. The survey will be uploaded into Survey Monkey by Kathy Reagan at Town Hall. The Survey will be beta tested with the Committee Members before “going live” on the Town website as well as other Town groups that have listservs, e.g. Schools, Sr. Center members, etc. There will be a statement notifying participants that the survey response is confidential, and emails will not be shared. There will be limited access to the survey so that only one survey per email can be completed. Discussion of comments sections was also held. Evaluation of comments can be difficult, open-ended comments will be attached to certain questions to push for clarity of response. Review, evaluation, and recommendations of the Survey results will take place with the committee. The results of the Survey are a part of the report to the Select Board.

4. Jane Buettner- Investigate possible funding sources, both public and private.
Nothing to report.

5. Jim Dishong- Recommend a course of action, including, if applicable, short, medium, and long-term steps, to the Select Board. The Chair of the Mordecai Lincoln Property Committee will present the results of the survey and committee recommendations. The first report to the Select Board in writing by April 17th, 2024. Tentatively, the Committee Chair will present with a power point to the Select Board on the April 23rd, 2024 agenda (to be confirmed).

Determine next meeting date: TBA

Adjourn: 7:43 PM

Respectfully Submitted – Elise Beaulieu, Clerk