

MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON HILLS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
City of Farmington Hills
March 24, 2021
7:30 p.m.

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1. Chairman Hulett called the electronically held (Zoom) meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: James Hulett, Farmington Hills, MI

Lee Cox, Farmington Hills, MI

John Willyard, Farmington Hills, MI

Earl Baxtresser, Farmington Hills, MI

John Scott, Farmington Hills, MI

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pam Correll, Mike Mathis

LIAISON TO HERITAGE & HISTORY MUSEUM; Brian Golden, Farmington, MI was present.

LIAISON FROM CITY: Angeline Lawrence, Inkster, MI was present.

OTHERS PRESENT: None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Cox, support by Willyard, to approve the agenda as published.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Baxtresser, Scott, Willyard, Cox, Hulett.

Nays: None

Abstentions: none

Motion carried 5-0.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 24, 2021:

MOTION by Cox, support by Willyard, to accept the minutes of February 24, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Cox, Willyard, Scott, Hulett, Baxtresser

Nays: None

Abstentions: none

Motion carried 5-0.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A.** Museum Accession/De-Accession Reviews: None
- B.** Museum Improvement-
- a. Interior – On March 23, 2021, a meeting was held at the Heritage and History Center with Chris Fcansi of The Special Services Department and Commissioners Baxtresser, Cox and H&HC Liaison, Golden. Fcansi was presented with a brief outline of the FHHC’s intentions for the development of the interior space at the H&HC. With this information in hand, Fcansi stated that he would now better be able to move forward with his conversations with the architect, Straub, Pettitt, Yaste, currently working on the design of this interior space. It was decided that follow-up conversations and progress updates between Liaison Lawrence, the FHHC and Fcansi would happen one week prior to the monthly Commission meeting.
 - b. Exterior- None.
- C.** Brick Walk Brick Sales-Golden mentioned that he had one order and Cox and Scott mentioned they were interested in placing an order.
- D.** Historical Markers-
1. Worker’s Camp -Sign has been reinstalled. Cox said he would reach out to the DPW to have the sign rotated 90 degrees to avoid another lawn equipment / sign collision.
 2. Palmer Sherman House- On Covid-19 hold.
 3. Boys Republic- Baxtresser and Scott discussed the possibility of one more on-site visit to inquire about sign placement.
 4. Power’s Station: On Covid-19 hold.
 5. “QR” Codes: There was a discussion about the installation of “QR” codes on some of the existing Historical Markers in Farmington Hills.
Golden said he would provide the Commission’s Staff Liaison with a plan for moving forward with this project, wherein Liaison Lawrence, per a FHHC motion of February will further discuss feasibility with other Commissions and departments. Hulett mentioned he had a source for laser etched aluminum “QR” code.
- E.** Publications –Mary Isham Garfield research on Covid-19 hold.
- F.** FHHC Filing Cabinet Contents Review: On Covid-19 hold.
- G.** 200th Anniversary Planning- On hold pending Covid-19 restrictions.
6. **NEW BUSINESS:** There was a discussion about the forming of a FHHC subcommittee that would be responsible for meeting with The Special Services Department regarding the H&HC.

MOTION by Baxtresser, support by Cox, to form a subcommittee to liaison with the Special Services Department regarding the improvements to the Heritage and History Center, committee members being Baxtresser, Cox and Scott.

Yeas: Baxtresser, Scott, Willyard, Cox, Hulett.
Nays: None
Abstentions: none
Motion carried 5-0.

7. POINTS OF INTEREST: None.

8. CORRESPONDENCE: Received from Lawrence, the letter of interest and resume from Diane Young.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Golden mentioned the upcoming Warner Mansion Fundraising virtual dinner in conjunction with Joe’s Produce to be held on April 9th.

10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None.

11. LIAISON ACTION ITEMS:

A. Investigating the feasibility of “QR” code installation on Farmington Hills Historic Markers with other commissions and Departments.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Baxtresser, support by Scott, to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Baxtresser, Scott, Willyard, Cox, Hulett.

Nays: None

Abstentions: none

Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34p.m.

NEXT MEETING: April 28, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. to be held Electronically (Zoom)

Respectfully Submitted,
Earl Baxtresser,
Recording and Corresponding Secretary