

**MEETING MINUTES
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
April 8, 2015 – 7:30
FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS, MI**

#	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION SUMMARY/PERTINENT INFO	FORMAL MOTIONS:
1	CALL TO ORDER:	The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm	
2	ROLL CALL:	MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Olson, Ken Klemmer, Don Millington, David Johnston, Michael Hegarty MEMBERS ABSENT: Ken Weikal, Joan Barber OTHERS PRESENT: Staff Liaison Stec	
3	APPROVAL OF AGENDA:		MOTION BY: SUPPORT BY: APPROVE WITH NEW BUSINESS ITEM 5C TO BE HEARD FIRST MOTION CARRIED: 5-0
4A	UNFINISHED BUSINESS: <u>FARMINGTON HILLS CMETERY FINDINGS REPORT</u>	Discussion deferred to when a draft copy is complete.	
4B	UNFINISHED BUSINESS; <u>PRELIMINARY HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT</u> LOCATION: 26291 Pillsbury PARCEL ID: 23-15-351-020	Additional information may be available from the homeowner concerning this structure, so a meeting with them will be arranged at which time the application for inclusion as an historic home would be filled out and signed. The application will then be processed through the various required City departments for review and signatures.	
4C	UNFINISHED BUSINESS: <u>HISTORIC MARKER REFURBISHMENT</u>	Pictures of the suggested markers indicated that the posts appeared to be in good condition. At reinstallation of the markers, 4-posts are in storage for use, if needed, as determined by DPW.	MOTION BY: MILLINGTON SUPPORT BY: HEGARTY APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$2,400 TO REFURBISH THE HISTORIC MARKERS FOR THE

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			<p>FOLLOWING DISTRICTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HD#9 UNIVERSALIST-UNITERIAN CHURCH • HD#1 ROYAL ALDRICH HOUSE • HD#4 PHILBRICK TAVERN <p>MOTION CARRIED: 5-0</p>
5A	<p>NEW BUSINES: <u>CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS 15-1</u> HISTORIC DISTRICT: HD#516 Spicer House Stables/Chauffer Quarters LOCATION: 24723 Farmington Road PARCEL ID: 23-21-401-004 PROPOSAL: Install new way finding signage APPLICANT: Dept. of Public Services OWNER: City of Farmington Hills</p>	<p>Discussion ensued relative to the sign material and sizes. Liaison Stec will contact the Public Services Department and request a sample sign for HDC review at the next meeting.</p>	<p>MOTION BY: HEGARTY SUPPORT BY: MILLINGTON</p> <p>MOTION TO TABLE BASED ON REQUEST FROM APPLICANT TO POSTPONE TO MAY MEETING TO ALLOW APPLICANT TO HAVE REPRESENTATION AT MEETING</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: 5-0</p>
5B	<p>NEW BUSINES: <u>CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS 15-2</u> HISTORIC DISTRICT: HD#312 Sherman Goodenough House LOCATION: 24705 Farmington Road PARCEL ID: 23-21-401-004 PROPOSAL: Replace exterior door APPLICANT: Dept. of Public Services OWNER: City of Farmington Hills</p>	<p>Discussion ensued relative to the fiberglass material as substitute instead of wood. The use of wood to replace wood in historic structures is strongly suggested since it maintains the original type material for this door.</p> <p>This is in keeping with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and will be discussed at the forthcoming meeting.</p>	<p>MOTION BY: HEGARTY SUPPORT BY: MILLINGTON</p> <p>MOTION TO TABLE BASED ON REQUEST FROM APPLICANT TO POSTPONE TO MAY MEETING TO ALLOW APPLICANT TO HAVE REPRESENTATION AT MEETING</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: 5-0</p>

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5C	NEW BUSINESS: <u>CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS 15-3</u> HISTORIC DISTRICT: HD#506 Glen Oaks Country Club LOCATION: 30500 Thirteen Mile Road PARCEL ID: 23-02-376-001 PROPOSAL: Parking lot improvements APPLICANT: Oakland County Parks & Recreation OWNER: Oakland County Parks & Recreation	<p>Liaison Stec summarized the requested changes to the Historic District, indicating that no building changes are being submitted, only "ground" issues.</p> <p>The proponents highlighted the major changes including the matching of the driveway to the existing one on the south side of 13 Mile Road and the center island of lawn in front of the entrance that will be void of trees and shrubbery providing a clear view of the building and it's architectural features.</p> <p>The Farmington Hills Planning Commission gave "conditional" approval to a similar plan as opposed to the submitted "revised" plan the HDC approved. The only difference in the two plans is better north traffic flow around the "revised" easterly green space island.</p>	MOTION BY: MILLINGTON SUPPORT BY: KLEMMER MOTION TO APPROVE "REVISED" SITE PLAN AS SUBMITTED. MOTION CARRIED: 5-0
6	ELECTION OF OFFICERS	Nominations and elections were held. The results of the elections are: A. Chair: Steve Olson B. Vice-Chair: Michael Hegarty C. Secretary: Donald Millington	
7A	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: Orange Risdon Map Reproduction	<p>Reproduction maps are now in City Hall. Commissioner Johnston will mount a single map on foam board and cover it with a clear material. This map will be used as a viewing sample previous to purchasing by those parties desiring a map.</p> <p>Commissioner Johnston has finalized the write-up on the map; awaiting John Willard's approval of the wording. Johnston has included a hand sketched picture of a "land office" that was restored in White Pigeon, Michigan, adding a visual amenity to the page. These maps were those used in land offices throughout the illustrated portion of the State.</p> <p>This dissertation will be furnished to the map purchaser and will be on a quality paper suitable for framing.</p>	
7B	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: Publicity Opportunities	The Edward Beals historic marker dedication is scheduled for May 27th pending availability of the Farmington Observer for press coverage of the event.	

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7C	POINTS OF INTEREST/UPDATES: May 19 Public Outreach Meeting	Chairman Olson obtained a "party tray" food assortment brochure from Busch's market that listed various options available, with costs. Final choices and amounts will be decided once the RSVP's are returned for the OPEN HOUSE at which historic property owners can review the City files on their property. These files were generated by Jean Fox as the structures were listed as historic; the files are in City Hall storage and will be open for viewing at the Longacre House on May 19th, 4:30 to 8:00 P.M., hosted by the Historic District Commission.	MOTION BY: KLEMMER SUPPORT BY: MILLINGTON MOTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$300 FOR FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS FOR OPEN HOUSE MOTION CARRIED: 5-0
7	CORRESPONDENCE:	Mail distributed; Chairman Olson has appropriate correspondence that he will forward to Mr. Nate Geinzer.	
8	PUBLIC COMMENTS:	No public present.	
9	COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:	Commissioner Johnston suggested Center for Creative Studies (CCS) as a re-purpose use for the Sarah Fisher property, stating it would make an appropriate atmosphere location for their program of studies. During discussion, Lawrence Technological Institute was also mentioned. No action(s) were planned on the subject.	
10A	APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 11, 2015		MOTION BY: HEGARTY SUPPORT BY: KLEMMER APPROVE WITH TWO MINOR GRAMMATICAL CORRECTIONS MOTION CARRIED: 5-0
11	ADJOURNMENT:	Meeting adjourned at 9:10	
	MINUTES PREPARED BY	Don Millington, HDC Secretary	