Historic Resources Commission Meeting Minutes
5/2/22, City Hall

The meeting was called to order at 6:19 p.m. by Chairman Katie Mallory.

Commissioners present: Not Present:

Mary Hebert   Diane Raab, Council Liaison
Winnie Riddle   Dan Sabolsky, City Manager
Katie Mallory
Mali Thomas
R. J. Archambo
Sherry Nelson

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Katie Mallory at 6:19. Approval motion for April 4, 2022, minutes was made by R. J. Archambo, seconded by Mary Hebert. Motion passed.

Katie Mallory noted that term expirations for individual commissioners was sent out last month. Attached.

Katie Mallory talked with the attorney of Mackinaw Island, who applied for CLG status for the Island. They discussed the Historic District Ordinance, which is in question for Cheboygan by City Manager Sabolsky. He has concerns regarding the "neglect" designation, and who may enter a neglected property. More clarification is being sought regarding the verbiage in the Cheboygan ordinance. Katie Mallory will discuss the commission ordinance and CLG status with Dan Sabolsky.

Mary Hebert pointed out that property owners may choose to be in an Historic District and are not required to be.

Hebert suggested that a fundraiser be held to hire a person that works on behalf of the city to help move projects forward. She noted that she currently has 4 properties that are eligible for Brownfield rehabilitation. Developers are on hold until the Certified Local Government (CLG) benefits are in place.

Further discussion ensued regarding who would hold funds raised on behalf of the city. Having an additional city employee may not be feasible because of the required benefits cost. Perhaps a contract situation would work.

Correspondence from Alan Higgins, SHPO, (State Historic Preservation Office), was passed out listing opportunities available once CLG status is attained. It also includes preservation meetings and conferences being held this year. Attached.

No public comment.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sherry Nelson