

Historic Resources Commission Meeting Minutes—12/5/22, City Hall

Mission Statement: The mission of the Historic District Commission is to recognize, educate, and bring public attention to the historic treasures in the city and to assist property owners in the recognition and official designation of their historic properties.

Present:

Mary Hebert
Katie Mallory

Sue Patrick
Winnie Riddle
Mali Thomas

Absent:

Mary Brown (notified)

Laurie Musclow (notified)
(She joined via phone)

City Councilwoman: Diane Raab

I. Call to Order: Our new chair, Winnie Riddle, opened the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes: Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes of the October 3, 2022 meeting. Motion passed.

III. Update on Commissioner Actions: 1) Storage: Riddle reported that she and Thomas went through the HRC files in the chambers closet and found some very interesting items. She suggested having Alyssa create a sign-out sheet to be placed at the front of the wire rack so we will know where an item or file is. We will put a table of contents at the front of the rack with the sign-out sheet. She found the first-issue of the lighthouse stamps of 1995 and she feels they should be put into a frame. This could be a task for the study committee. Also found was a red binder full of photographs and information gathered about historic properties in Cheboygan put together by a former HRC in 2002. Brown folders in the file cabinet are full of information of historic properties here.

2) Study committee: No one was present from the study committee. Mallory was in touch with Sherry Nelson who said that they would meet together after the first of the year. Riddle requested that Mallory be in charge of gathering the study committee together (Sherry Nelson, Wendy Fleming, RJ Archambeau, Kay Forster, Cherie Gekiere), and that they select a chair for the committee.

A discussion of particular properties ensued.

3) Position descriptions: None done yet, but Mallory said that she would get those done.

IV. City Ordinance Update/Comments on CLG application: Mallory spoke with the City Manager; he is still waiting to speak with Alan Higgins of SHPO. She and Raab will continue to be in contact with Sabolsky regarding this. He is currently in the hospital.

V. Public Comments: None

VI. Board Member Comments:

Hebert is working with Jessica Flores, CEO of Renovation Forward, formally of SHPO, for the layering and financing of three of her properties in conjunction with working with local authorities and ordinances.

Mallory: What association do we currently belong to, the State Historical Society of Michigan (HSM) or another organization? There are two different ones, and we should belong to one of them. We need clarification on this. Raab will contact Casey on this question.

VII. Next Meeting: January 9, 2023, 6:15 p.m. City Hall

VIII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made and passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Action Items

- *Mallory to do position descriptions.*
- *Mallory will see to a gathering of the study committee.*
- *Raab will contact Casey regarding our membership in a State historic commission.*

Respectfully submitted,
Mali Thomas