

WASHTENAW COUNTY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Minutes of Monthly Meeting

DATE: September 11, 2008
TIME: 5:30 pm
PLACE: Conference Room 2010
705 N. Zeeb Rd., Ann Arbor

Call to Order:

- N. Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Roll Call

- Present: Martha Churchill, Paul Darling, Charles Gray, Jean Ledwith King, Jasper Pennington, Alice Ralph, Nancy Snyder and Elmer White
- Absent: Peter Kelley
- Staff: Mary Kowalski and Melissa Milton-Pung of Planning & Environment
- Guests: None

Consent Agenda Approval:

- C. Gray moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented J. Pennington seconded and the motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Business:

Recognition of Commissioner King

Milton-Pung noted that Commissioner King was featured in an Ann Arbor Business Review Executive Profile.

Local Historic Districts Update

Milton-Pung reported that she has checked on all Local Historic Districts, and only one had done minor work without a certificate of appropriateness. The Geer House owners are planning to apply for a Certificate of Appropriateness for a kitchen addition soon.

Pilgrim Rest Historic Marker Update

Churchill reported that the sign was unveiled and a nice celebration was held. Milton-Pung will work with Churchill and Washtenaw County Facilities Management to get the sign installed.

HDC Awards

The HDC voted last month to give three awards. Darling has prepared a draft of the wording for the church site and Kelley will be working on wording for the other two awards.

Native American Trails, etc.

Milton-Pung brought back the mock-up of a sign. Pennington passed out some background information on possible sites and will meet with Parks and Recreation before the next HDC meeting.

Northfield Township Historic Sites

Kelley was not present at the meeting and this item was not discussed.

Other Items

Snyder raised the issue of the Tuomy House (2117 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor); University Bank has expressed an interest in purchasing it, but there are questions about the will. It was decided that the HDC will not get involved and suggested that the Register of Probate would be the best place to find the missing information.

Milton-Pung reported that a Request for Proposal to secure the Nanry House has been put out and two contractors have responded.

October Agenda Items

White suggested holding future meetings at historic structures or local Township halls in order to help create a more formalized relationship with other HDCs. This will be revisited next month, and there is a possibility that the November meeting could be held at a Township Hall.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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