

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION  
CHERRY HILL SCHOOL  
50040 Cherry Hill Road  
Canton, MI 48188**

**MEETING MINUTES OF  
January 8, 2020**

**Roll Call:**

Members Present: Scott Beutner, Dave Curtis, Steve Foley, JoAnn Dionne, Kathy Martin,  
Joan Lager  
Member Absent: None  
Staff Present: Gregg King  
Guests: Bill Tesen

**Call to Order:**

Once a quorum was assembled, Chairperson - Steve Foley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion by Lager, supported by Foley to approve the agenda. Motion carried by all members present.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by Curtis, supported by Dionne to approve the corrected minutes of the December 4, 2019 meeting. Motion carried by all members present.

**Committee Reports:**

**I. Historical Society**

Society held their holiday party and it was a success. Historical volunteer is learning how to use Past Perfect.

**II. Buildings and Grounds**

Conference call to be had regarding the preservation efforts at Cherry Hill School. The SHPO and Mannik Smith will be on the call with Staff. Preservation Park drainage project has been completed except for final grading. Addition of the new pavilion will require addition drainage modifications.

**III. Education**

Nothing to report

**IV. Development**

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Discussion was had regarding the Sheldon Inn. The owner of the building has now moved to Florida and the future of that building is uncertain at this point.

**V. Legal**

Nothing to report

**Old Business:**

**I. Cherry Hill School Exterior Project**

Discussed the preservation survey in Building and Grounds.

**II. Commissioner Vacancy Discussion**

Commission was advised by King that the candidates have been contacted so to arrange an interview for the Commission. Upon their return contact an interview will be scheduled. Both candidates have submitted a resume for consideration. King will scan and email the candidates resume to Commissioners for their comments and consideration.

**III. Historic Building Documentation**

Commissioner Dionne stated that there was still work to be completed and there was discussion about changing files into Jpeg for future usage.

**IV. Discuss pavilion and Drainage Update meeting**

Discussed in building and grounds.

**V. Fire Truck Preservation Discussion**

Discussion was had regarding the need to have the initial meeting for the preservation of the Truck. Curtis indicated that Township Supervisor Pat Williams and MSA owner Jerry Rozzum also indicated an interest in helping with the project.

**New Business:**

**I. Public Hearing Regarding the Historic District Ordinance Update**

The Commission was open to comments from the public regarding the revision of the ordinance. Discussion ensued regarding the changes. Upon hearing no comments that would be contrary to the proposed changes, the commission supported the recommendations for the proposed changes that were made by Mannik Smith as a result of their re-survey and with the concurrence of the Canton Historic District Study Committee. Staff will contact the Township Legal Department to begin the process to change the ordinance. Discussion was also had regarding the procedure for that process

**II. Michigan Historic Preservation Network Survey**

Discussion regarding the Historic District Commission Summit and the Survey Monkey survey was had. Commissioners were encouraged to attend the Summit and to complete the survey by January 24, 2020. There was also discussion regarding the State CLG Coordinator coming to Canton to discuss our CLG program.

**Adjourn:**

Motion by Foley, supported by Dionne to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.