

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

**MEETING MINUTES OF
Sept 4, 2019**

Roll Call:

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

Call to Order:

Once a quorum was assembled, Chairperson - Steve Foley called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Dionne, supported by Lager to approve the agenda as amended. The statement “Mission Statement Description of Duties” under the Education heading was deleted as that was from last month’s meeting. Motion carried by all members present.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Dionne, supported by Foley to approve the amended minutes of the August 7, 2019 Meeting. Motion carried by all members present. Kathy Martin asked for some clarification on items due to her not being able to attend the last meeting.

Committee Reports:

I. Historical Society

The Historical Society Brews Brats and Bands at the Barn was mentioned as the event is being held Sept 7 at Preservation Park.

The Geddes Road historical marker is in production and the projected date of delivery is September 28 – October 10.

II. Buildings and Grounds

Staff discussed the present need to rebuild the upper second half of the ADA Ramp on the rear of the Bartlett Travis House.

Split rail fence has been installed between the parking curbs in the new parking area.

Red shed in between the Palmer Shed and the Pole Barn is going to need to be shored up with some cables and turn buckles. King will be taking care of that project.

III. Education

Staff distributed a three page paper that identified the Historic District Commission Mission Statement and Description of Duties at the last meeting and was to review same at this meeting. Deferred until October 2 meeting.

IV. Development

Discussion was had regarding the new commercial properties that are being developed along Cherry Hill as well as the Residential along Cherry Hill. Lager inquired as to the addresses being a part of the Historic District Ordinance. Staff discussed the process that is still going on with the original ordinance amendment request sent to the SHPO back in February. Staff has been advised by the SHPO that consideration of those amendments will be reviewed at the September meeting of the SHPO. Staff will assure that the addresses being mentioned do not fall within the Ordinance as it was suggested and report back to the commission.

V. Legal

Nothing to report

Old Business:

I. HDC Photo Documentation / Project Update

Curtis stated that he had been viewing old slides of many house of Canton that were donated to the society. The project is still ongoing.

II. 50325 Cherry Hill Update

The property which has been designated as a dangerous structure by Canton Township Building Department has been posted by the Building Department and the occupants have been made to leave. The closing date on the property is September 12, 2019

III. Lilley Road Bridge

Construction continues on the historic bridge replacement. The construction schedule seems to be on target and Canton Cable is taking shots on a regular basis to put together a video of the project.

New Business:

I. Discussion of the Cherry Hill School Exterior

Staff discussed with the Commission that the township is going to undertake a Stucco Condition Assessment for Cherry Hill School to be done by Mannik Smith Group with the guidance of the SHPO. This assessment is being undertaken before the application for a CLG Grant is submitted for the restoration of the exterior of the Cherry Hill School. There was discussion as to what the original

structure was made of and if it would be correct to replace the stucco with stucco or to restore the brick that is under the stucco. The project may take place in 2021.

Adjourn:

Motion by Foley, supported by Lager to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.