

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

**MEETING MINUTES OF
JANUARY 9, 2019**

Roll Call:

Members Present: Scott Beutner, Dave Curtis, JoAnn Dionne, Steve Foley, Kathy Martin, Ralph Welton, Elizabeth Dornik (Historical Society President),
Member Absent: None
Staff Present: Gregg King, Joan Lager

Call to Order:

Chairperson, Steve Foley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Martin, supported by Foley to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Foley, supported by Curtis to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2018 Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Request to remove 50201 Cherry Hill Road from the Historic District

Donald Kilgore, owner and Russell Patterson, Metro West Real Estate presented a formal request to the commission to remove 50201 Cherry Hill Road – The Wilkie House from the Historic District. Listing reasons they feel the property is “non-contributing” in their application. (See Attachment #1)

Mr. King outlined the process for review by the HDC as well as the owner’s appeal options should the commission deny his request. He informed Mr. Kilgore this is the first step in the process and the commission has 60 days to issue an opinion.

Committee Reports:

I. Historical Society:

- Nothing to Report

II. Building and Grounds

General Maintenance –

- Mr. King is working on compiling a list of projects for 2019.
- Mannik & Smith is working on the Survey.

III. Education

- Mr. King gave the commission information on The Historical Society of Michigan 2019 Workshop schedule as well as information regarding the 2019 Historic District Conference. Copies will be emailed to the commission on 1-10-2019. (Attachments #2 and #3)

IV. Development

- Nothing to report – More information will be available at the February Meeting.

V. Legal – There are no legal actions pending.

Old Business:

I. Update of Mannik Smith Survey

Mr. King distributed copies of the January 7, 2019 memo from Maura Johnson – Mannik Smith Group. She outlined several properties/locations the commission should consider editing from the ordinance which includes the Cherry Hill District. A sub-committee of Gregg King, Dave Curtis, and Scott Beutner will meet on Thursday January 17, at 5:30 p.m. in the township building to discuss/review thoroughly this information and develop a plan to review all the properties and to undertake the amending of the Historic District Ordinance to properly reflect the historic locations. They will present their suggestions to the commission at the February meeting.

II. Training 2019 – see education

III. 2019 Maintenance Projects

- The Parks division is installing a stone parking lot at the Bartlett-Travis House complete with drainage to prevent muddy parking conditions there.

New Business:

I. Plan for HDC Documentation

It was agreed that once the Ordinance amendment is complete the commission will be more proactive with the remaining properties. Documentation to include:

- Photos of each location and their current owners (If available).
- Mapping of each location covered in our ordinance on the township tax maps. Complete with address, Parcel Number, Photographs, date location added to the ordinance, and any changes to the property over the years.
- Record of all meeting minutes available

- Record of all properties – Certificates of Appropriateness, etc.
- List of appropriate contractors, architects, suppliers, etc. for historical projects

II. Commission Terms Expiring 4-30-2019 – Curtis and Welton

Both Mr. Curtis and Mr. Welton have agreed to serve another term.

III. Filling Commissioner Position Created by Silvester's Resignation

Advertising will be put in place to fill the vacancy left by Darrin Silvester's recent resignation. Efforts include a press release, article in the Focus – township newsletter, recruiting on the Canton website, and information placed on the Canton Cable Station.

A subcommittee of Ms. Dionne, Ms. Martin, and Mr. Welton will meet to go over the resumes submitted, perform interviews, and submit their recommendations to for commission approval prior to submitting the candidate to the Township Supervisor for appointment.

Adjourn:

Motion by Foley, supported by Curtis to adjourn at 8:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.




CANTON HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS
FOR EXTERIOR ALTERATIONS (120.006)

Date of Application: **01/08/2019**

Applicant's Name: **Donald Kilgore**
Address: **6280 Cottonwood Dr**
City: **Canton** State: **MI** Zip Code: **48187**
Telephone w/Area Code: **734-658-5109**
Historic Name of Property: **Wilkie House**
Address of Property: **50201 Cherry Hill Rd, Canton, MI 48188**
Parcel No. : **71073990005001**
LegalDescription: **PT OF NE 1/4 OF SEC 19 T2SR8E BEG S89DEG 32M 15S E 537.50FT FROM N 1/4 COR OF SEC 19 TH S89DEG 32M 15S E 150FT TH S0DEG 04M 10S W 165FT TH N89DEG 32M 15S W 150FT TH N0DEG 04M 10S E 165FT POB 0.57 AC**
Name of Architect/Contractor: **N/A**
Address of Architect/Contractor: **N/A**

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Telephone w/Area Code _____

Brief description of work to be done (accompanied by drawings, plans and photos):
It is a request to formally remove the subject property from the Cherry Hill Historic District as a "Contributing Building/Site".
SEE ATTACHED ADDENDUM for additional reasoning.

Applicant's Signature 

Canton Historic District Commission

Approved

Denied for the following reason: _____

By action of the Commission on (date): _____

ADDENDUM for 50201 Cherry Hill Rd/Wilkie House

Some Supporting reasons to be removed from the "Contributing Building/Site" of Cherry Hill Historic District are as follows:

1. This Historic District was created around 1996 in a large part to deal with the upcoming Cherry Hill Village project. Being one of a few properties that existed down the no water and now sewerage area, it made sense to create this as a possible contributing structure to the Future building in Cherry Hill Village and surrounding areas. The diversity of Architecture is obviously important for creating more of a variety of structures to be conceptually built. Since the creation of many homes by developers, builders, and homeowners, this style home has far been used as a contributing structure. Since there is plenty of a supply of newly constructed homes over the past 1.5 decades without this style of home being modeled from by architecture, it will most likely never be a consideration and should be removed
2. This is a 1940's basic home that has no more historical significance than most every day homes out there.
3. The vinyl sided home has been modified so many times since being built that it does not have the original build charm.
4. This is an oddball structure surrounded by many much older and significant structures in the district. New residential construction is directly adjacent to the east. 1900's colonial adjacent to the west.