

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Council Chambers, City Hall
70 Maple Street
Manistee, MI 49660

MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2015

A Meeting of the Manistee City Historic District Commission was held on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Kracht.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Dave Carlson, T. Eftaxiadis, Teena Kracht, Thomas Smith, John Perschbacher, Mary Russell,

Members Absent: Vacancy

Others: Steve Harold (Museum Curator) and Denise Blakeslee (Planning & Zoning Administrator)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Mary Russell that the Agenda be approved as prepared.

With a voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by John Perschbacher, seconded by Thomas Smith that the Minutes of the December 4, 2014 Meeting be approved as prepared.

With a voice vote this motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

By Law Review

Annually the Historic District Commission shall review their By Laws at their regularly scheduled meeting in January. Members of the Commission discussed the By Laws and if any changes were needed.

No Changes were made to the By-Laws.

Historic Preservation Recommendations for the City of Manistee (MHPN)

Last May the City participated in a Community Assessment by the Michigan Historic Preservation Network. Members of the Commission were sent a copy of the assessment/recommendations prior to the meeting.

Members of the Commission discussed the report and the recommendations. The report covered the following Categories

- Overall Placement - 3.2 (Preservation ethic is developing)
- Identification, Documentation and Evaluation
- Community Member Involvement
- Historic Preservation Organizations
- Michigan Main Street Involvement
- Preservation Planning
- Designating and Protecting Historic Resources
- Public Education
- Historic Preservation as Economic Development
- Heritage Tourism
- Municipal Leadership
- Rehabilitation Projects
- Road Blocks
- Unique Assets

Staff will prepare an outline that the Commission can review and prioritize at a worksession in the future.

OLD BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

STAFF REPORTS

Steve Harold, Museum Curator – spoke with the commission about the grant for the Lighthouse and the schedule for restoration.

MEMBERS DISCUSSION

Commissioner Carlson spoke about the information in the packet and how things are going in the district.

The Next meeting of the Historic District Commission will be on Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Mary Russell, seconded by Thomas Smith that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:36 P.M.

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Denise J. Blakeslee, Recording Secretary