
PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 3, 2003 6:30 p.m.
Pittsfield Township Administration Building
6201 W. Michigan Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48108

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ticknor, LeClair, Wall, Summers, Marine

MEMBERS ABSENT: Byrd

OTHERS PRESENT:

1.0 Call Meeting to Order/Determination of a Quorum.

Chair Ticknor called meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and a quorum was present.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call

4.0 Open Meetings Act/Public Comment

Under the Open Meetings Act, any person may come forward at this time to address the Board. Anyone who wishes to speak is requested but not required to state his/her name and address for the record.

5.0 Approval of Agenda

6.0 Scheduled Guest: None

7.0 Officers Report

7.1 Chair

The Historical Society will be going on a field trip May 18, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. at the Webster Township Historical Village and the Historical Society is extending an invitation to the Historical Commission to attend also.

There was discussion on the conversation that Chair Ticknor had with Jan BenDor regarding the Historical Survey and how Rhonda Ryan, Deputy Assessor, had a hand in helping find all the properties that were listed, also Jan BenDor asked if Chair Ticknor would put together historical information for the presenters of the Hike and Bike Tour on April 26, 2003.

There was discussion on attending Wayne State University Conference, on Local History. The dates are April 11–12 at a cost of Registration Fee \$12.00 and Luncheon \$12.00 per day.

Motion by Commissioner Summers, supported by Commissioner Wall to send the Historical Commission Members to the Wayne State University Conference being held on April 11–12 at a cost of Registration Fee \$12.00 and Luncheon \$12.00 per day. *Action: Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ticknor, LeClair, Wall, Summers, Marine: Absent: Byrd: Motion Carried.*

7.2 Vice-Chair: **No Report**

7.3 Secretary/Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Summers, supported by Commissioner Wall to approve the minutes of regular meeting of February 6, 2003 as corrected. *Action: Motion Carried.*

7.4 Expenditure Report: **No Report**

8.0 Reports

8.1 Archive/Museum: **No Report**

8.2 Sutherland-Wilson Farm Ground/Museum Interior/Exterior: **No Report**

8.3 Grants Report: **No Report**

9.0 Old Business

9.1 Goals

There was discussion on the goals that were set in the meeting of February 6, 2003, and what has been accomplished.

Chair Ticknor stated that the Preliminary Historical Survey was done in 1982 and that it will be on line in about the middle of April, then on to getting a grant to get a Comprehensive Survey done. The goal of having a preliminary survey done by 2004 has been accomplished.

There was discussion on the Underground Railroad pertaining to some of the houses that were known to house the slaves as they passed through.

Chair Ticknor asked to be emailed with ideas on what the people would want to know about Pittsfield Township and what they would want their children to know, so that information can be used to do a presentation in the near future.

There was lengthy discussion on preserving Harwood Farm and Valentine School, getting a letter to MDOT from the Chair, and artifacts kept by the State.

10.0 New Business

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Commissioner LeClair spoke about the Museum on Main Street in Ann Arbor, and how they need volunteers to be Greeters, on Saturday and Sundays, the hours of 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

11.0 Next Meeting: May 1, 2003 at 6:30 p.m.

12.0 Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner LeClair, supported by Commissioner Wall to adjourn the meeting. *Action: Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted

Betty LeClair-Secretary
Pittsfield Township Historical Commission