

MEETING MINUTES  
FARMINGTON HILLS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
City of Farmington Hills  
May 8, 2019  
7:30 p.m.

Fountain Room, City Hall  
City of Farmington Hills  
31555 Eleven Mile Road  
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1. **CALLED TO ORDER BY:** Chairman Hulett at 7:38 p.m.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lee Cox, Earl Baxtresser, James Hulett, Pam Correll, John Willyard.

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Scott

LIAISON TO HERITAGE & HISTORY MUSEUM; Brian Golden was present.

LIAISON FROM CITY: Absent

OTHERS PRESENT: None

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION by Correll, support by Cox, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried 5-0.**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- March 13, 2019:**

**MOTION by Cox, support by Willyard, to accept the minutes of March 13, 2019 as written. Motion carried 5-0.**

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. Museum Accession/De-Accession Reviews-No items to review.

B. Museum Improvement-  
Interior-

1. a. Baxtresser reported that he had a been in touch with Bryan Farmer of The Special Services Department concerning the quotes received for the Design services at the Heritage and History Center. Mr. Farmer said that they received three proposals and they were all higher than expected, ranging at the low end at \$ 13,800.00 to a high of \$ 73,200.00. He also mentioned that Special Services would be doing an in-depth review of the proposals and that would happen the following week. Baxtresser said that when he received that information, he would share it with the commissioners via email so a procedural plan could be formulated. If timing became a factor because of the fiscal year, a special Commission meeting might need to be set up.

Exterior- Nothing new.

C. Brick Walk Brick Sales- Nothing new.

D. Historical Markers-

1. Stuart Little: Baxtresser told the Commission that he had gone to Heritage Park to install the Brigid Stolberg plaque and was told that although the bench location of the plaque had been selected, permission for the installation had not actually been granted. Baxtresser said he would do follow-up.
2. Pasadena Park- On hold.
3. Palmer Sherman House- Awaiting further research information, with possible assistance from Rochelle Danquah who had attended a previous meeting.
4. The Pernambuco Hollow- Sign has yet to be reinstalled using new poles. Cox will inquire again as to status.
5. Boys Republic-Baxtresser shared a possible letter to be sent to Wellspring Lutheran Community Services explaining the installation of a historic marker at that site. Willyard thought that letter should be sent after the Commission approved the final text for the proposed marker. Baxtresser will email that text to the commissioners and that process can move forward at the next meeting.
6. Power's Station: Research is ongoing as Baxtresser and Golden confer.

E. Publications –Mary Isham Garfield research ongoing.

F. Heritage Tourism- No discussion.

G. Filing Cabinet Review: As time permits.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Golden talked about the upcoming 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Farmington in 2024. He explained that he was starting the preliminary planning of this celebration by setting up a “Organizational Meeting” on May 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Farmington City Hall Council Chambers.

**7. POINTS OF INTEREST:** There was a brief discussion of the May 10<sup>th</sup> sesquicentennial commemoration of the completion of the Transcontinental Railroad.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE: None presented.**

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** Hulett mentioned that his son had received a first place award in a “Stock to Scholarship” challenge.

**11. LIAISON ACTION ITEMS:**

Until a liaison attends our meetings, Mr. Cox will continue to pass along information and

correspondence for the FHHC

**12. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:25p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** June 12, 2019, 7:30 pm, Heritage and History Center

Respectfully Submitted,  
Earl Baxtresser,  
Recording and Corresponding Secretary