

**City of Marine City
Historical Commission Meeting
April 16, 2013**

Prior to the meeting being called to order, Commissioners Todd M. May and Kim A. Turner were sworn into office by City Clerk Diana Kade.

A regular meeting of the Historical Commission was held in the Fire Hall, 200 South Parker Street, Marine City, Michigan, on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, and was called to order by Chairperson Scott Tisdale at 6:00 PM.

Present: Chairperson Tisdale; Commissioners Beutell, Bokram, May, Turner and White; City Manager Gabor; City Clerk Kade; and, Deputy Clerk Singer.

Absent: Commissioner Menchaca

Election of Officers

Motion by Commissioner Bokram, seconded by Commissioner Tisdale, to nominate and appoint Commissioner Kim Turner as Chairperson. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Board Member Bokram, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to nominate and appoint Commissioner Scott Tisdale as Vice Chairperson. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approve Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Bokram, seconded by Commissioner Beutell, to approve the Agenda, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approve Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Tisdale, seconded by Commissioner White, to approve the regular Historical Commission Minutes of October 16, 2012, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Chairperson Turner, seconded by Commissioner Tisdale, to approve the regular Historical Commission Minutes of January 15, 2013, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Communications

No communications were presented.

Public Comment

James Turner, 361 North Main Street, Marine City, told the Historical Commission that they were doing a great job; and, congratulated Commissioner May on his appointment to the Historical Commission.

Unfinished Business

Historic District Ordinance

Commissioner White reported that she was making arrangements to have a representative from the Michigan Historic Preservation Network address the City Commission at a future meeting on the importance of the proposed Historic District Ordinance.

Commissioner Tisdale commented on the action taken by the City Commission on November 15, 2012, and noted that the motion to adopt the proposed Ordinance failed by a 3 / 3 vote. He suggested that the Historical Commission resubmit the proposed Ordinance to the City Commission.

Lengthy discussion ensued, and the Historical Commission agreed that an outside expert could provide supportive information to the City before asking the City Commission to act upon it.

Motion by Commissioner Beutell, seconded by Commissioner Bokram, to resubmit the proposed Ordinance to repeal the existing Historic District Restoration Commission and replace same with a Historic District Ordinance to the City Commission for adoption. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Commissioner White also shared her thoughts on becoming a certified local government; however, it was noted that the City's population needed to be increased to 5,000 in order to become eligible.

New Business

Study Committee Update ~ Creation of New Historic District

Commissioner White reported that the Study Committee had not met; however, she had been working on putting together information for a South Water Street Historic District for the City's three buildings: Water Filtration Plant, Peche Lighthouse, and the Guy Community Center. She said she needed help researching the deeds on the buildings.

The Study Committee members were identified as Commissioners Bokram, White and Turner, along with Rebecca Lepley.

Discussion concluded with Commissioner May noting that they needed to continue to move forward with research.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Beutell, seconded by Commissioner Tisdale, to adjourn at 6:54 PM. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana S. Kade
City Clerk