

Portage Historic District Commission

April 2014 Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2014

In Attendance: Mark Reile, Erica Eklov, Christine Broberg, Allen Van Kampen, Jim Ebert, Russ Randall, Katie vanLonkhuyzen, Suzanne Nemeth.

Excused: Dorie Ehrig, Theresa Brunch.

New Business:

1. Reviewing of Goals and Objectives: Review and approval of goals and objectives before Mark presents to the City Council. In item two, add a part "D" stating to continue sales of the Portage Historic District Trading Cards. In item six, remove "May" to read "observe National Preservation week with a special event". The changes were approved. Mark is presenting to City Council on May 13, 2014.
2. Michigan Preservation Conference: scheduled for Saturday May 17th in Jackson, MI. There is a morning session for commissioners. Mark is planning a trip over.
3. The East Milham property is up for sale. The Realtor contacted Erica to see if a garage could be added. Erica informed them it would need to be approved by the commission.
4. Tony Davis contacted Erica about the barn at 1521 East Centre regarding winter damage to the barn. He wants to proceed with demolition. She informed him it would need to be approved by the commission.

Old Business:

1. Trading cards: Suzanne arranged to have the cards available at Scott's and McIntyre's Salon. Jim mentioned he would contact the Hearthside Apartments office.
2. Youth Advisory Board: There is an interested student in participating in the commission meetings and activities, but nothing has been finalized yet.

Next meeting is Wednesday May 7th at 8:15.