

**City of Grosse Pointe Woods
Historical Commission Minutes
20025 Mack Plaza Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
October 14, 2021**

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission was called to order at 7:34 pm by Chair Sean Murphy.

2. Roll Call

Present: Del Harkenrider, Suzanne Kent, Stephanie Listman, Lynne Millies, Jim Motschall, Sean Murphy, Frank Romano, Becky Veitenbruber, Giles Wilborn and Mary Kaye Ferry

Absent: Shirley Hartert

Also Present: Council Representative, Kenn Gafa

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: by Ferry, seconded by Romano. Ayes all: Motion passed.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Motschall, seconded by Kent to approve the September 9, 2021 minutes. Ayes: all. motion carried.

5. Items:

Report of Treasurer

The Commission Balance is \$1,905.00 and the balance of Cook School is \$30,543.05. Motion by Ferry, seconded by Kent to accept the Treasurer's report. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

6. Old Business

A. Cook School:

1. Millies and Romano continue cataloging items that are used for Open Houses. A photo is taken and a description recorded of each item. The area usually has to be cleared to gain access to Historical Commission items.
2. Murphy met with Jim Kowalski regarding Cook School. The DPW did some minimal work but no further work will be done for now. Kowalski will look into installing a railing to the basement and an electrical outlet for the dehumidifier. The Commission discussed the plans that George Bailey prepared for storage in the Basement for Commission files.

B. Commission Files:

Kent noted that we continue to discuss our mission and what it is that we should be saving. As an example, Grosse Pointe News Clippings and The Updates are accessible online and we can discard our copies. We need to follow City and State Guidelines. Kent distributed a list of guidelines for collecting for us to consider. Giles commented that the Commission as a whole should do more and be more active in reviewing and working on the files.

C. MORSA

Ferry and Harkenrider reported on their trip to Brighton Township for the MORSA Conference. They visited the Warner Homestead/Hicks School and the nearby Lyon School where they learned about the history of the area, artifacts that have been recovered and the restoration of the Old Brighton Cemetery by the Historical Society.

7. New Business: None

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8 Public and Commissioner Comments:

Council Representative Gafa updated the Commission on city matters.

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kaye Ferry, Secretary

The next meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission will take place at the Cook School House, 20025 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods on November 11, 2021 at 7:30pm.