

## Historical Commission Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order
  - a. Begin at 7:33 pm
2. Roll Call
  - a. Commissioners Present: Chris Schroer, Todd Huffman, Daniel Westendorf, Sharon Bernath, Jane Gundlach, and Keith Grattan
3. Approval of Agenda
  - a. unanimous
4. Approval of Minutes – regular meeting of March 24, 2016
  - a. unanimous
5. Public Comment
  - a. It has been brought to the commissions attention that the public is unhappy with the tree houses in the historical district, however the Historical Commission has no jurisdiction over tree houses.
6. Financial Report
7. Warner Mansion Activities
  - a. Commissioner Bernath notified the commission of upcoming events:
    - i. May 12 – Fashion show
    - ii. May 19 – first porch party
  - b. Status of Warner Mansion repairs: the asbestos has to be removed from the basement before foundation work can begin
8. New Business
  - a. Possible sponsorship of window rehab class presented by preservation Farmington on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

- i. Motion: To reject sponsorship of Preservation Farmington's classes as doing so would violate the Home Rule Cities Act.
- ii. Unanimous
- iii. General Comments: While the commission likes the idea of such workshops they are unable to allocate funds for something they are not running. Commission may look into having similar courses at the Warner Mansion while repairs are being done.

9. Old Business

- a. Historic Preservation Award
  - i. Comments: commission prefers the award plaque on a stack (as opposed to on the house). Can the commission afford to give out award and supplement the purchase of plaques for homes in Historic District?
- b. City attorney looked thru Historical Commission by-laws finding some sections against state law/city ordinance and included suggested revisions. Historical Commission is to look thru marked up bylaws for discussion/acceptance next meeting.

10. Correspondence and Communications

- a. Need to get National Historic Preservation Network magazine for new members

11. Good and Welfare

- a. Commissioner Schroer: the signs in the historical district need repair. (the city has a new sign package coming soon)
- b. Commissioner Westendorf: how do we start/regenerate a historical district inventory (give addresses to Kevin Christiansen and tell him what information is needed)
- c. Commissioner Huffman: did the parking lot names come from the historical commission? (no)

12. Adjournment

- a. 9:00 pm