

FARMINGTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS
Thursday, May 31, 2012

Chairperson Myers called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bernath, Grattan, Munter, Myers, Weimar

Excused: Atkinson, Gundlach, Harrison

Guest: B. Golden

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Weimar, supported by Bernath, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried: all ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bernath, supported by Grattan, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 26, 2012 as presented. Motion carried: all ayes

FINANCIAL REPORT

A financial report was not available.

WARNER MANSION ACTIVITIES

1. The fashion show on May 2 was well attended.
2. The first porch party was held on May 10. It was not well attended, probably due to cold weather. There was discussion about having the first porch party later in the season and perhaps holding one in September. Having two a month during the summer months will also be considered. The Historical Commission and the Farmington Historical Society are switching their commitment for the porch parties this season. The society will handle the ice cream social on June 14 and the commission will staff the ice cream soda event on August 9.
3. Founders Festival: Sponsors for some events are still being sought. Pony rides and a petting zoo will be on Friday. The storyteller and a flea market are scheduled for Saturday.
4. There will be a plant sale on the grounds on Saturday, June 3.
5. Mansion artifacts and volunteers will make a presentation at St. Fabian's Catholic Church on August 2.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Friend of the Governor Warner Mansion: Chairperson Myers had nothing new to report.
2. Capital Improvements: Commissioner Grattan will prioritize the list of necessary repairs he presented at the April meeting.
3. Mansion leaflet: \$150 will be forwarded to former commissioner Baessler so he can reformat the leaflet from Page Maker to Illustrator.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Thirtieth Anniversary Celebration: B. Golden discussed the with commission the possibility of holding an event to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the mansion being donated to the City of Farmington. He suggested that the commission, the Farmington Historical Society, the Friends committee and the mansion volunteers collaborate on the project.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. B. Golden announced that as part of the effort to promote historical tourism in Oakland County, a presentation and flag-raising ceremony will be held at Riley Park on Saturday, June 16 at 9:00 AM to commemorate the start of the War of 1812.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Myers at 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,
D. Munter, Secretary