

**HISTORIC CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION
CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018
MEETING MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Grand Haven Historic Conservation Commission was called to order at 5:00 p.m., Thursday, May 17, 2018 by Chairperson Marsha Peterson in the basement conference room of Grand Haven City Hall, 519 Washington Avenue, Grand Haven, Michigan, 49417.

Members present: Bonnie Cowles, Cynthia Crane, Todd Crum, Marsha Peterson, Colleen Skendzel and Meredith Slover (Member and Tri-Cities Museum Advisory Member).

Members absent: Member Jane Stoepker.

Others who may be present: Mary Angel, Administrative Liaison.

Guest(s) present: Ryan Bond, Mainstreet-AmeriCorps VISTA Member and Liza Dora, City Resident.

1. Approval of the April 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

Moved by Cynthia Crane, seconded by Bonnie Cowles to approve the April 19, 2018 Historic Conservation District Commission minutes. This motion carried unanimously.

2. Coal Tipple CSX Grant Update and Other Possible Grants.

Report by Ryan Bond, Mainstreet-AmeriCorps VISTA Member. CSX is currently restructuring their grant program, as detailed on their website. The main areas of focus will be on: transportation and safety (bike path, etc.), community leadership, environment and healthy lifestyles, and in-kind help. Grant money could be up to \$5,000. CSX reviews grants quarterly. Ryan will also look at State of Michigan based grants and get drone photos of Tipple, park and depot for scale.

3. Lighthouse Conservancy Committee Update.

Report by Cynthia Crane. The committee will meet every other month and is not due to meet again until May 31.

4. Building Materials Ad Hoc Committee

Report by Marsha Peterson. The committee met on May 1, 2018. Marsha asked this committee to verify any materials used in historic neighborhoods follow guidelines outlined by SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office) before the planning commission changes the present building material requirements.

5. Cemetery Brochure Update and Discussion of Edits to Cemetery Rack Card Proof.

Report by Meredith Slover. The Tri-Cities Historical Museum put together a rack card of the cemetery walking tour. Meredith asked us to proofread the rack card, discussion followed and changes will be updated and, hopefully, finalized at the next meeting. A special thank you to Abbei at the Museum for all her help!

6. Other Business Not on the Agenda.

The plaque presentation on May 7, 2018 for the historic landmark designations was a huge success. The homeowners were very excited and thrilled to be recognized at the City Council meeting. Marsha Peterson recognized Mary Angel for her help in creating the Power Point presentation, and Mary recognized Marsha for doing such a great job with the presentation. Members were thanked for attending.

Our June 21, 2018 meeting will be held at the CARC (Community Archive and Research Center) building. This is part of the Tri-Cities Historical Museum and houses the artifact collection. The address is 14110-172nd Street, Grand Haven Township.

7. Adjournment at 5:40 p.m.

The next meeting is Thursday, June 21, 2018 at the CARC building.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen Skendzel
Secretary