



Royal Oak

Minutes

Royal Oak Historic District Study Committee Meeting

April 18, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Conference Room 116
203 South Troy Street
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Present: Chairperson Tammis Donaldson
Patrick Andras
Chris Kraska
Jeffrey Ridley
Eric Romain
Leslie Snow
Leo Derdelakos

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at by Chair Tammis Donaldson at 7:02 pm.

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of April 18, 2024 Meeting Agenda

Approval of the April 18, 2024 meeting agenda.

Eric Romain's Lockwood presentation will be delayed until the May meeting.

Addition of Oakdale and Sunnybrook Home discussions.

Resolution Number: Motion Adopted

Moved by: Leslie Snow

Seconded by: Patrick Andras

Motion to approve the April 18, 2024 meeting agenda.

Motion Adopted

4. Approval of March 21 2024 Meeting Minutes

Approval of the March 21, 2024 meeting minutes.

Resolution Number: Motion Adopted

Moved by: Jeffrey Ridley
Seconded by: Leo Derdelakos

Motion to approve the March 21, 2024 meeting minutes.

Motion Adopted

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Historic Preservation Observations in Royal Oak

6.a Lost

6.b Endangered

6.b.1 1413 Crooks Road (1927)

Endangered building for sale. Threatened and under watch.

7. Unfinished Business

7.a Vinsetta Bridges Historic District

7.a.1 Task Force

7.b Historic Context Report Status

City Attorney may have to get involved because group is not getting a response back with the report that was promised.

7.c Marketing Presentation

7.c.1 City Website Updates, Corrections and Additions

Some members of the group will find a time to meet up with staff liaison Carol Schwanger to discuss city website corrections and marketing.

Group could potentially be interested in a content calendar for scheduling social media posts.

7.c.1.1 2023 Annual Report

Done and turned in. Group is wondering if they should coordinate with HDC.

7.c.2 HDSC Google Drive Review: Move to Single Sign-in

Group members will check to see if they each have access to the login.

8. Potential Study Projects

Cliff Marco - homeowner on Sunnybrook, is concerned about nice homes being torn down and multiple homes being put in their place. Seeing about beginning the process for getting a neighbor on his block a historical home designation.

8.a WPA Murals at Royal Oak Middle School former Dondero High School

Vice Principle trying to get three students at the middle school involved in the study.

8.b 703 Woodcrest Updates

8.c Lockwood Presentation by Eric Romain

Table until the May 16 2024 meeting.

9. New Business

10. Historic Group Reports

10.a Historic District Commission

HDC is looking forward to diving into the work with its Vinsetta bridge task force.

10.b Historical Commission

Met on April 2. Continuing on with the merge of the Historical Society and Historical Commission.

11. Committee Member Comments

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 PM.