

Pleasant Ridge Historical Commission Minutes

Wednesday April 2, 2014

1. Meeting was called to order 7:00 pm by Carole Zupan, Chair.
2. In attendance: Cathie Gillis, Sandy Johnstone, John Wright, Carole Zupan, Conrad Stack, James Koeppen, Don Hoefler, Chris Johnson, Erin Sniderman, Amy Allison and Bret Scott. Missing: N/A. Guests: N/A.
3. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and moved by Cathie Gillis, second by Conrad Stack.
4. Treasurer's report for March 2014 by Don Hoefler: Revenues: \$0.29; Expenditures: \$98.45; Ending balance: \$11,981.05. Approved and moved by Cathie Gillis, second by James Koeppen.
5. Speakers Series:
 - a. George Lenko will speak regarding 'Arts and Crafts Tile in Pleasant Ridge' on Monday, April 28th at 7:00 pm at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center. Amy Allison put details in the Ridger.
 - b. John Wright is also checking on MDOT speaker regarding before and after I-696. We have 53 photos in the museum of 10 Mile Road houses and the construction surveys. December 14, 2014 will be the 25th anniversary of 696. Perhaps we can schedule something around this date? Still pending.
6. Home and Garden Tour:
 - a. It looks like we will have plenty of homes for the Home and Garden Tour scheduled for June 7, 2014 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Amy Allison included this in the Ridger and an invitation to residents that we need more people to volunteer their homes and/or gardens for the tour.
 - b. Confirmed homes:
 - i. 1 Sylvan home and garden (House captain Don Hoefler)
 - ii. 12 Oxford home and garden (House captain James Koeppen)
 - iii. 31 Elm Park home and garden (House captain Sandy Johnstone)
 - iv. 82 Oakdale home and garden (House captain Chris Johnson)
 - v. 48 Ridge home and garden (House captain Cathie Gillis)
 - vi. 22 Oakdale garden (House captain John Wright)
 - c. Maybe's are: 48 Oakdale, 20 Sylvan, 31 Oakland Park and 40 Maplefield. Commission members will continue to search for additional participants.
 - d. Discussed creating a flyer after all of homes are confirmed. (To advertise at area businesses and possibly deliver to each resident)
 - e. The tour books will be printed by the cities printers and the Acting City Manager will assist with putting the book together.
 - f. Erin Sniderman confirmed she will take the lead on finding advertisers for the tour book and will handle press releases.
 - g. Jim Zupan will cover the pictures of the homes for the tour book.
 - h. House captains will work with the owners of the homes for their write ups and coordinate docents.

- i. Since there is currently only 1 house on the east side, we may not do the trolley this year.
 - j. Still in need of food vendors for the day of the tour. Carole Zupan will check with Eddie Ho and the city.
 - k. Cathie Gillis reserved the tent from the Pleasant Ridge Foundation.
 - l. Pending: Where the Afterglow Party will be held.
7. Resignation of Chris Johnson: Chris Johnson was forced to resign due to missing 3 meetings this year. This requirement is in the by-laws of all of the junior commissions. Chris would like to challenge the resignation and was advised to write a letter to the City Manager to explain the reasons for missing the meetings and why he should be allowed to stay on. Chris can continue to attend the meetings because of the open meetings requirement, he is only restricted from voting. Approved and moved by Don Hoefler, second by James Koeppen.
8. Other Business:
- a. Police Booth/Pleasant Ridge Museum service April 19, 2014: Conrad Stack and John Wright.
 - b. Don Hoefler updated the historical website regarding the Pleasant Ridge Home Tour and the Speaker Series with George Lenko . The Pleasant Ridge History website (<http://www.pleasantridgehistory.com/>) is not being updated by the city since the site was not created by the city. Work still needs to be done on the website. Don Hoefler obtained contact information of the person that created the site and will get an estimate for the updates.
9. Adjournment at 8:00pm. Motioned by Carole Zupan, second by John Wright.