## HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION Minutes for October 1990

Troy City Hall 500 West Big Beaver Rd.

Call to Order 7:45pm October 2, 1990

Present: Vice-Chair Nagel, Davis, Frantz, Scott, Straub Absent: Bedford, Wood

Motion by Nagel Support by Davis Motion to accept minutes of June 1990 All yea

Motion by Nagel Support by Davis Motion to accept minutes of Special Meetings of July 31. Aug 8&15. All yea

Refer to special meeting of August 15, 1990. Meeting of September 25 was a Review of Designated House at 101 East Sq. Lake Rd. M/M Krell were present to meet with County & City Engineers to determine possible alternatives to drain area without damage to Historic House. No one appeared, after 1 month to the September meeting. It had been discussed as to feasiblility of of drain line being inserted to the West of the house. Engineers were to do further investigation. This drain will also take the entire landscape along Sq. Lake Rd., Livernois to Crooks and will drastically change the scapes along the north side. Taking many trees and 3 other structures. This Commission feels that further investigation should be made, to protect this last vestage of historical gathering of structures, and the last resource of early Troy.

Motion by Scott
Support by Davis
We were advised, by the County Engineers; that there maybe a
possible alternative to the drain area without damage to the
house at 101 E. Sq. Lake Rd., and this Commission recommends
to the City Council that further review for alternatives be
done to prevent further damage to this Historic Resource, and
a review of the impact of the landscape.
All yea

Motion by Nagel Support by Frantz To place Eleven items as per June meeting on an holding active Agenda and acted upon as results are met. All yea

Item - Historical Marker for Township Site
Scott attended August 23 meeting of State History
Commission. Letter of approval attached and made
part of these minutes.
We are still waiting for City Official signature,
which shows that the City approves and will pay for
the marker. This was Council approval in the Budget.
Discussion of a Procedure Policy resulted in the
following recommendation and Motion.

Motion by Scott
Support by Davis
The Recommended Procedure be adopted for Historical Markers to prevent further delay and delegation of Mr. Courtney for signature and payment of same. A copy of recommendation of Procedure is attached for Council consideration All yea.

Item - Historic Preservation Code for Guidelines to improve Chapter 13.

Special meeting of July 31, was to review and study Ordinance. The History Division had sent suggested revisions. We approved these revisions with further items suggested by the History Division which would explain procedure for better Preservation. We suggest further review and addition to our Chapter 13 of these Guidelines. Attached to these minutes.

Motion by Nagel Support by Frantz Chapter 13 be supplemented by these new Guidelines. All yea

Motion to adj by Davis Support by Straub All yea 9:45pm

Next meeting Nov 27,1990

The Historic District Commission is responsible for the Preservation of Resources as set forth in Chapter 13 of the City of Troy.

Historical Markers maybe placed by anyone with the approval of City Council: Therefore:

Recommended Procedure for Historical Markers in the City of Troy.

- 1. Documentation discussed and approved at District Commission meeting.
- 2. Motion in minutes of District Commission and sent to Council for review and approval.
- 3. Statement as to where funding comes from (ie, City, Private, Organization, etc.). to be included.
- 4. Original Marker Application sheet is submitted to Mr. Courtney for Official Signature, as this is the Official statement that payment will be made.
- 5. Application sheet is returned to District Commission to be attached to supporting evidence and mailed to State History Division.
- 6. History Division will then notify the City when Marker is ready for shipment and delivery to DPW area, with notification to Chairman of District Commission.
- 7. Marker then will be placed on site previous to Ceremony of dedication.
- 8. Ceremony of Dedication can be presented by any personage, or Organization under the auspices of the District Commission with the approval of the City Council.

- Item Historic Preservation Code for Guidelines to improve Chapter 13
  - 5. DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.
    - 1. Develop and recommend to City Council, procedures for the implementation of this Ordinance.
    - 2. Make recommendations to City Council proposed changes to this Chapter in the form of text additions, deletions, or revisions, and the addition or delisting of designated Landmark Structures.
    - 3. Recommend a policy regarding the appearance, maintenance, preservation and restoration of historic resources within the City at large.
    - 4. Disseminate information to the public and encourage and advise property owners in the protection, enhancement, and use of district resources and other properties of historic interest; send information to property owners and residents of districts to explain the ordinance and offer information of City departments for assistance.
    - 5. Review plans and applications for Certificates of Appropriateness when required by this Chapter.
    - 6. Establish such policies, rules and regulations as it deems necessary to administer its duties as provided.
    - 7. Delete from C. Property owned by the City of Troy shall be administered by the City Council through the City Manager in accordance with the Charter. and insert Property owned by the City of Troy shall be administered by the City Council through the City Manager except in the case of a Historic Designated Structure shall be reviewed in the same manner as other resources of architectural and historic nature as allowed in this Chapter.

#### UNDER A MISCELLANEOUS SECTION.

- I. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prevent routine maintenance of any district resource
- 2. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prevent emergency maintenance.

### A NEW SECTION TO BE ADDED:

### CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

- No building permit for new addition, demolition or moving, alterations, reconstruction, rehabilitation or restoration of a designated district shall be issued until a Certificate of Appropriateness has been issued. Changes to a designated resource not requiring a building permit but subject to a review under this Chapter must be reviewed and granted a CA by the Historic District Commission. EXEMPTED WORK. A Certificate of Appropriateness shall not be required for the following: Additions and alterations to the rear and sides of structures, including porches, patios, decks and additional rooms, which have minimal impact on the streetscape,
- In reviewing proposals, the Commission shall consider the Lhistoricalior architectural value and significance of the relationship and value to the streetscape and surrounding area.
- All work for which a Certificate is required shall 3. be subject to inspection by the Building Official After the Building Official inspects the work for which the Certificate of Appropriateness has been issued and finds no violations of the provisions of this Code, the Building Official shall issue a Certificate of Compliance.



# Michigan Historical Commission

Michigan Department of State, Lansing, Michigan 48918

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Honorable Richard H. Austin Secretary of State August 24, 1990

Mr. John Szerlag Assistant City Manager City of Troy 500 West Big Beaver Troy, MI 48084

Dear Mr. Szerlag:

Mrs. Dorothy Scott of the Troy Historic District Commission attended the August 23, 1990, meeting of the Michigan Historical Commission in Lansing.

Historical Marker Coordinator Laura Ashlee explained to the commission that Mrs. Scott wishes to obtain a marker honoring the site of the first township hall. Miss Ashlee also explained that there is a marker already honoring Troy Corners and asked the commission to review the matter in order to avoid a duplication of information.

State Register of Historic Sites criteria allows for the placement of a historical marker at a site related to significant events, people and institutions where no tangible historic resources exists. Due to the fact that the Troy Corners historical marker deals specifically with that area, and Mrs. Scott wishes to place a marker discussing the history of the township and township government, the commission did not feel that this would be a duplication of information. The Michigan Historical Commission approved the concept of the placement of a marker at the site of the first township hall, honoring the history of the township. I assured Mrs. Scott that I did not feel that there would be any problems with the Michigan Historical Commission approving such a marker.

As always, once the application is received, it will be logged in by Laura Ashlee. The process takes approximately eight to ten months. Miss Ashlee will use the documentation supplied by Mrs. Scott to compose an appropriate text. She will also conduct her own research if necessary to be sure the information is factual. When a text has been prepared, she will send it to whomever is listed as the contact person on the marker application and will seek their approval. The text will then be presented to the Michigan Historical Commission for official approval.

Please contact Laura Ashlee at 517-335-2725 if you have any questions regarding this process.

Sincerely,

John B. Swainson

President

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