

MEETING MINUTES
FARMINGTON HILLS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
City of Farmington Hills
The Heritage and History Center
October 22, 2025
7:00 p.m.
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1. Chairman Hulett called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: James Hulett, Earl Baxtresser, John Willyard, Joe Derek.

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Scott

LIAISON TO HERITAGE & HISTORY MUSEUM: Brian Golden was present.

LIAISON FROM CITY: Absent

OTHERS PRESENT: None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Baxtresser support by Willyard to approve the agenda as published.
Motion carried 4-0.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Willyard support by Derek, to accept the minutes of September 24, 2025.
Motion carried 4-0.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Museum Accession/De-Accession Reviews: None.

B. Museum Improvement- Spicer House Move:

- a. There was a Museum Subcommittee meeting with Carol Egbo, Historian with the Oakland County Parks on October 17. The Spicer House Project was discussed, and Ms. Egbo had several ideas on moving forward. Foremost was reaching out to The Special Services Department with a proposal of our intentions with the Spicer House.
- b. Baxtresser and Golden shared, with the Commissioners, a draft letter to Bryan Farmer. The Commissioners approved the letter, but Derek had doubts about whether the Spicer House could function effectively as a multipurpose facility.

C. Historical Markers-

1. Palmer Sherman The location of the marker at the Palmer Sherman House was selected by the FHHC. It was recommended that the marker be placed in front of the Palmer Sherman House centered on an existing circle of landscape rocks.
2. Boys Republic- Discussion concerning new developments at this site. The FHHC will need to reiterate the previous arrangement with Mark Stek that a new developer would have to agree to the placement of this historic marker.
3. Power's Station: Ongoing.
4. "QR" Codes: On hold.

D. Publications –

- a. Universalist Unitarian Church monograph, ongoing.

6. NEW BUSINESS: None

7. POINTS OF INTEREST: None

8. CORRESPONDENCE: Draft email to Bryan Farmer will be sent.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: It was noted that the November meeting should be held ON December 3, so it would avoid conflicts with the Thanksgiving Holiday.

11. LIAISON ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Reach out to Diane Mulville-Friel and detail the FHHC's desired Location for Palmer Sherman House Historic Marker.
- b. Discuss with Diane Mulville-Friel the previous arrangement for the Boys Republic Historic Marker.

12. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:10

NEXT MEETING: December 3, 2025, at **7:00** pm at the at the Heritage and History Center, Heritage Park, Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Michigan 48336

Respectfully Submitted,
Earl Baxtresser,
Recording and Corresponding Secretary