

Historical Commission Meeting  
Madison Heights, Michigan  
January 11, 2023

A Historical Commission Meeting was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 6:30 PM at City Hall - Heritage Rooms, 300 W. 13 Mile Rd.

**CALL TO ORDER**

at 6:38 pm by Chair Graettinger.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Jennifer Ballantine  
Rebecca Chambliss  
Tanya Graettinger  
Martha Kehoe  
William Mier  
Margene Scott  
Cheryl Suiter  
Kevin Wright  
Council Representative Mark Bliss  
Ex-Officio Council Alternate Sean Fleming  
Ex-Officio Staff Liaison Vanessa Verdun-Morris

**ABSENT**

Nicholas Cobb  
Deliza Lee  
Lila Richards  
Justin Suarez

**EXCUSED**

Patricia Ross

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS**

Motion to excuse Ross.

Motion made by Scott, Seconded by Chambliss. Unanimously approved.

Add attendance policy as #9.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve minutes from October 12, 2022.

Approved with correction of spelling for Jennifer Ballantine's last name.  
Motion by Scott, Seconded by Ballantine. Unanimously approved.

## **MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

### **REPORTS**

2. Naming Committee - Chair Bliss, Graettinger, Lee  
Did not meet.
3. Experiencing Madison Heights Committee - Chair Ballantine, Wright, Scott, Mier  
Did not meet.
4. Digitizing Madison Heights Committee - Chair Fleming, Bliss, Graettinger, Suiter  
Did not meet.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

5. Historical Commission Work Plan 2023  
Bliss reported work plan approved by Council.  
Motion to appoint Martha and Rebecca to the Experiencing Madison Heights committee.  
Motion made by Wright, Seconded by Graettinger. Unanimously approved.
6. Heritage Rooms Volunteer Schedule  
Discussion on how to reassemble the rooms and keeping the same hours, plus possible addition of Saturday hours in future. Verdun-Morris will check on keys and who should have them.  
Motion to send a letter requesting a response to commissioners who haven't been here for three meetings.  
Motion made by Kehoe, Seconded by Scott. Unanimously approved.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

7. Identification Badges – Informational Item Only  
Margene suggested shirts be made for new commission members by Mr. Daniels who lives in Madison Heights but has a shop in Hazel Park. Margene will volunteer to connect with him.
8. Review Park/Facility Naming Policy  
Motion to recommend that council remove the criteria that a person be deceased more than 2 years, and name the Library Teen Room for Bob Corbett, Pickleball Courts for Bob Gettings, Ambassador Park for Gary McGillivray.

Motion made by Scott, Seconded by Kehoe. Unanimously approved.

9. Attendance Policy

No further discussion due to previous motion to send response letters.

10. Barbara Gerald's Proclamation

Wright requested further addition to agenda.

Motion to create a Proclamation honoring Barbara Gerald's.

Motion made by Wright, Seconded by Chambliss. Unanimously approved.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Motion made by Mier, Seconded by Kehoe.

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