

**Village of Franklin
Historic District Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 7, 2016 7:00 P.M.
At the Franklin Village Hall – Broughton House
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, MI**

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Historic District Commission was called to order by Gary Roberts, Chairman, at the Franklin Village Hall – Broughton House, 32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, MI at 7:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Garrett Keais, Gary Roberts, Gayle Timmis, Jill Wilke
Absent: Eileen Harryvan, Mike Brassfield, Laura Witty
Also Present: Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk; Bill Dinnan, Building Official; Amanda Davis, Consultant

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Roberts requested that the following item be postponed until the next meeting: **VI. NEW BUSINESS, C. Consider Existing Parking Lot Paving 32716-32744 Franklin Road.** Because of his personal involvement with the project he would need to recuse himself and without his vote there would not be a quorum. He also requested that an item under **VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS, C. Historic District Limits** be added.

**Motion by Wilke supported by Keais to approve the agenda as amended.
Motion was approved unanimously.**

IV. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of October 5, 2016.

Motion by Keais, seconded by Wilke to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 5, 2016, as presented.

Motion was approved unanimously.

Keais inquired if Pulker was able to locate the minutes and motion from an earlier meeting which stated "...the Grill's legal obligation with regards to the replacement of the out-building..." It is his intention to write a letter to the owner using the support documentation. Pulker will research the minutes.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were made at this time.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider Sign Application for 32751 Franklin Road (Trailside Harvest Health Physical Therapy).

Roberts explained that this was for the multi-tenant ground sign in front of the Franklin Hotel. Janet McCormick, Lindenmere Drive, Bloomfield, owner of the business, was present and explained her business. Roberts confirmed that the background color and size of her sign would match the others.

Wilke suggested that the spacing of the letters of “THERAPY” be corrected.

Motion by Keais, seconded by Wilke to approve the submitted multi-tenant sign for Trailside Harvest Physical Therapy at 32751 Franklin Road, subject to the background color matching the others on the multi-tenant ground sign. This determination is in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation.

Motion was approved unanimously.

B. Consider Sign Application for 32731 Franklin Road, Suite 100 (Holistic Healer).

Roberts explained that according to Dinnan the new sign is the same size as the one for the previous business. As to the material of the sign being metal, he reminded the Commission that the old Market Basket sign was also metal. There was a discussion concerning the number of colors: the usage of four (4) colors (no more than three (3) colors shall be used on a sign) and the brightness of the orange color noting that the color is out of character with other signs in the Village.

Motion by Timmis, seconded by Wilke to deny the sign application for Holistic Healer at 32731 Franklin Road, Suite 100. The design of the sign may be resubmitted which would include the muting of the orange tone and the reduction of the number of colors to three (3).

Hope Sanchez, representing the owner, was present at the meeting. Roberts explained that in lieu of permanent signage HDC would authorize continuing the use of a temporary banner and review an amended application at the next regular HDC meeting.

Motion was approved unanimously.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Historic District Limits Study Commission.

Roberts advised the HDC that Fred Gallasch is the Council Liaison to the Commission and will be part of the subcommittee, which includes himself, Eileen Harryvan, Amanda Davis, and a member of the Historic Society will also be designated. This issue will be brought up at the next Council meeting. The first order of business will be the barn in Franklin Farms.

B. Franklin Grill & Tavern Accessory Building Reconstruction.

This item will be placed on the next meeting’s agenda.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 P.M.

Submitted,

Gail Beke, Recording Secretary

Eileen H. Pulker, Clerk