



CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON  
**Historic District Commission**  
Art Pappas Village Hall 375 Depot Road  
Clarkston, MI 48346

**Minutes Tuesday November 14, 2023**

Meeting called to order by M. Moon at 7:02 PM.

Present: R. Hauxwell, M. Luginski, M. Moon, J. Radcliff

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by R. Hauxwell, second by J. Radcliff to approve the agenda as written with the addition of: (1) election of a new chairperson; (2) 130 North Main Street homeowners' questions in final comments. Approved unanimously.

Announcements: Resignation of Commissioner J. Meloche in email to City Manager Jonathan Smith.

**From:** Jim Meloche <jim.meloche.tmc@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2023 1:49 PM  
**To:** Jonathan Smith <smithj@villageofclarkston.org>  
**Subject:** Resignation

Jonathan,

Due to continuing medical conditions and recent personal issues, I wish to resign from the Historic District Commission at this time.

I suggest that you consider bringing aboard Lisa Patercsak as my replacement.

Sincerely,  
Jim Meloche

Public Comments: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- 1) September 12, 2023: Motion by R. Hauxwell, second by J. Radcliff to approve the minutes as written. Approved unanimously.
- 2) October 10, 2023: Motion by R. Hauxwell, second by M. Moon to approve the minutes as written without a voting quorum by necessity. Ayes: R. Hauxwell, M. Moon. Nay: None.
- 3) October 12, 2023 Special Meeting (2:06 P.M.) Motion by M.Luginski, second by R. Hauxwell to approve the minutes as written. Approved unanimously.

Historic District Study Committee Update:

Michael Moon, Secretary of the Clarkston Historic District Commission and Nancy Moon, Chairman of the Clarkston Historic District Study Committee have been working with Michael Gbur, General Manager Rudy's Corporate Dining, to complete the following documents for Rudy's Market and The Walter's Building:

Declaration of Location (Historic Preservation Certification Application)

This document will be signed by Michael Moon stating the locations are contributing resources in the Clarkston Historic District.

Part 1 – Historic Significance (State Historic Preservation Tax Credit Application).

This document includes a description of the historic significance of the two buildings.

Katie Kolokithas of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) indicated that this is the type of cooperation that SHPO wants in order to increase viable applications for the tax credit.

New Applications for Review and Discussion: None

Existing Applications for Discussion:

91 North Main Street – Applicant/homeowner Jim Markwalder in attendance to show his preferred choices for newel posts and handrail for his porch on the south elevation as per stipulation in his original Certificate of Appropriateness. He showed drawings of newel posts similar in size/mass to existing ones but of vernacular style. The handrail design presented was distinctly Chippendale which predates his house by approximately 100 years. Commissioners unanimously felt this would create a false sense of history. Mr. Markwalder will return with an alternative at the December 12, 2023 meeting.

Final Comments:

- 1) 130 North Main Street – Homeowners Omar and Tamber (Townsend) Sharfeldin in attendance to be certain they understood the process of applying to the Historic District Commission and for what changes they need to apply. They were provided with an HDC explanatory brochure. They stated that they were planning several changes such as covering the new (recently repaired) foundation, new porch, and painting. They will be completing an application and will be on the December 12, 2023, agenda.
- 2) Election of new chairperson, Rob Hauxwell, nominated by M. Luginski with second by J. Radcliff. After a short discussion concerning redistribution of some tasks, the vote was taken. Ayes: R. Hauxwell, M. Luginski, M. Moon, J. Radcliff. Nay: None. Rob Hauxwell is the new chairperson.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday December 12 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Moon