

**HOPE TOWNSHIP  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION  
January 11, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by the secretary

***OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:***

The secretary read the "Open Public Meetings Act" Under the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act", adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by publishing notice in the Express Times and Star Gazette and by posting notices in the Hope Post Office and on the Township Bulletin Board all on March 13, and March 20, 2015 respectively.

Present at this meeting were: Members: Emily Brown, Jane Guthrie, Robert May and Henry Morgan. Absent were members: Mary Billow, Lacey DiTondo, Veirty Fox and Gerry Manger

**REORGANIZATION** The secretary opened the floor for nominations for the position of Chairman. A motion was made by Morgan, seconded by Guthrie to elect Bob May as Chairman. There being no other nominations, a voice vote was taken. All were in favor.

At this point, the secretary turned the meeting over to the Chairman.

The Chairman opened the floor to nominations for the position of Vice Chairman. A motion was made by Morgan, seconded by Guthrie to elect Gerry Manger as Vice Chairman. There being no further nominations, a voice vote was taken. All were in favor.

At this time, the dates for the Historic Preservation Commission meetings for 2016 were reviewed. A motion was made by Guthrie, seconded by Brown to approve the meeting dates. A voice vote was taken. All were in favor.

**MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of October 19, 2015 have been distributed to the members prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Guthrie to approve the minutes as submitted. A voice vote was taken, all were in favor.

**APPLICATIONS 16-01 424 Great Meadows Rd.,** This applications is for approval to replace the garage door on the building. The applicant, a tenant of the property owned by Dale Albertson, sent an email to the secretary indicating that he was unable to attend the meeting but wanted the commission members to know that the garage door that he would be using would exactly match the other garage door on the building. A very brief discussion was held during which a motion was made by Morgan, seconded by Brown to approve the application as submitted. Roll Call: Morgan-yes, Brown-yes, Guthrie-yes, May-yes. The approved application was signed and sealed by the Chairman.

**NEW BUSINESS** The commission briefly discussed the new opening on the commission with Julie Steven requesting to be removed as a commission member. It was decided to ask Darren Koeppen if he would be interested in rejoining the commission now that his work schedule had changed. The secretary will do that.

Another brief discussion was held regarding the balloon at the ReMax Town and Valley. The commission members decided that the balloon probably should be considered an additional sign and should be subject to the zoning officer's approval. The commission members asked the secretary to mention the balloon to the zoning official the next time the balloon was inflated.

**CORRESPONDENCE** It was noted that the letter from H.O.P.E., with their approval for the Burgdorff sign on the end unit, was for informational purposes only and should be included in the file for the Long House along with the application that Burgdorff made to the commission for their sign.

**ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business before the commission, a motion was made by Morgan, seconded by Guthrie to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Gabel, secretary