

Oakland County Historical Commission Minutes

7:00 pm, July 15, 2024

BOC Conference Room

- I. Roll call:** Present: Mutch, Decker, Milne, Murphy, Egbo, Campbell. Absent: Walls, Arwady, Richardson. Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM.
- II. Additions/Changes to Agenda: None**
- III. New Business:**
 - a. George Milne: Process for crowd-sourced at-risk properties submissions – discussion ensued about how to crowd-source and manage at-risk property listings sought from the general public and History Coalition. Very likely an excellent use of ArcOnline/ArcGIS. We should reach out to county resources (Ryan Dividock) to discuss possibilities. Also leverage Main Street property documentation and cultural resources map where we can to develop a comprehensive, one-stop database of at-risk properties.
 - b. Library Outreach (Mutch) – recommendation to gather a full list of libraries for outreach projects. Further, a survey of county libraries to ascertain condition/contents of local history sections in libraries and develop a list as a county resource. More discussion to follow.
- IV. Old Business**
 - a. Decker to reach out to Dave Woodward re: America250 County-wide initiative.
 - b. P Card for county purchases: Decker to reach out to Stringfellow.
 - c. Certificate of Appreciation for Jim Craft: Decker to reach out to Stringfellow.
 - d. Rebound 1877 History book: Decision made to use it at display booths, county events (carefully).
 - e. Kathy Mutch to reach out to HSM re: Local History Conference Planning Committee to get us onboard.
 - f. Funding request for UGRR Grant Project Banners: still awaiting pricing/final numbers from Birmingham Museum
- V. Committee Reports**
 - a. At – Risk Properties: See New Business above
 - b. 1857 Map Digitization: No report
 - c. Establish list of local historical markers – Milne to research
 - d. Preservation – Workshop? Do we want to go forward with a small even in 2025? Up for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.