



Special/Study Session Meeting  
6:00 p.m., Monday, May 15, 2017  
Conference Room  
23600 Liberty Street  
Farmington, MI 48335

**FINAL**

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## **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, May 15, 2017, in Farmington City Hall, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Galvin.

### **1. Roll Call**

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Sara Bowman	Councilmember	Present	
Greg Cowley	Councilmember	Absent	
William Galvin	Mayor	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Jeff Scott	Councilmember	Present	

### **2. Approval of Agenda**

**Move to approve the agenda as amended, removing Item No. 5, Interview Geoffrey Perrot for a Seat on the Farmington Historical Commission.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Schneemann, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Scott, Councilmember
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Cowley

### **3. Public Comment**

No public comment was heard.

### **4. Farmington Historical Commission Reappointments**

Present: Chris Schroer and Sharon Bernath

Council conducted a group interview for reappointment to the Historical Commission.

Schroer discussed the historical plaques that can be purchased by homeowners whose homes were built before 1940.

Responding to a question by Scott, Schroer stated the plaques are only based on the age of the home, not whether they are located in the historic district.

Scott expressed concern that the plaques are misleading. He would like to see homes designated in the historic district first, then broaden to outlying homes.

Schroer commented the homes for which plaques are requested must be at least 45 years old.

Schneemann would like to see the plaques for homes outside of the Historic District display 'Farmington, MI' and not 'Historic Farmington'. He is concerned that the plaques could appear all over town and dilute the message and the actual Historic District.

Halberstadt clarified that the homes need to be built in 1940 or earlier. The plaque cost for a home in the Historic District is \$35 and \$75 for any homes outside the district. The application is on the city website now.

Scott would like to have a map created for walking tours once the plaques are installed.

Galvin is concerned with preserving the Historic District. He suggested that the Commission research the district and the boundaries as provided in the City ordinance.

Discussion followed regarding the history of Farmington and the mission of the Historic Commission.

**Move to reappoint Daniel Westendorf, Chris Schroer, Sharon Bernath and Laura Myers to the Farmington Historical Commission for 3-year terms ending March 31, 2020.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bowman, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Scott, Councilmember
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Cowley

## 5. Other Business

Scott will attend the Parking Advisory Committee meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup> in Cowley's absence.

Schneemann will attend the Chamber of Commerce meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## 6. Council Comment

No Council comment was heard.

## 7. Adjournment

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Schneemann, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Scott, Councilmember
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Cowley

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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William E. Galvin, Mayor

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Susan K. Halberstadt, City Clerk

Approval Date: June 19, 2017