

**FARMINGTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS**  
**Thursday, January 26, 2012**

Chairperson Myers called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Atkinson, Bernath, Grattan, Harrison, Munter, Myers, Weimar  
Excused: Gundlach

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Munter, supported by Weimar, to approve the agenda with the addition of the Quaker Cemetery under new business.

Motion carried: all ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Harrison, supported by Weimar, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 1, 2011 as presented. Motion carried: all ayes

FINANCIAL REPORT

A financial report was not available.

WARNER MANSION ACTIVITIES

1. The mansion will reopen on April 1.
2. Sponsors are being sought for the founders festival activities.
3. The possibility of having temporary exhibits on display during open hours on Sundays was discussed.
4. There will be four porch parties again this year. The Historical commission will again host an ice cream social for one of the events.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Tree House at 33620 Grand River: There will be a public hearing before the Zoning Board of Appeals on Feb. 1. The commission did not formally express an opinion on the matter.
2. Friends of the Governor Warner Mansion: The relationship between the commission and the Friends board of directors was discussed. Agendas, minutes and pertinent information will be shared between the two groups. Grant writing, promotions, public relations, fundraising and membership will fall under the duties of the friends while the commission's jurisdiction will include operation of the mansion and maintenance of the collection.
3. Capital Improvements: Commissioner Grattan will make a list of necessary and suggested improvements for the commission to prioritize.
4. Commission oversight of donations: It was determined that there should be a formal acquisition process for all donations and that all matters pertaining to this process will be part of the public record.
5. Quaker Cemetery: After discussion, there was no objection to the Quaker Cemetery becoming a part of the National Park Service's National Underground Railroad program.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Myers at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
D. Munter, Secretary