

**FARMINGTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2009**

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

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Munter, supported by Gundlach, to approve the agenda as presented  
Motion carried: all ayes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bernath, supported by Atkinson, to approve the minutes of September 24, 2009 as presented. Motion carried: all ayes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was not available

WARNER MANSION ACTIVITIES

- 1) Commissioner Bernath updated the commission about the activities in November and December.
- 2) The city is on the water problems in the basement.
- 3) Several commissioners had concerns about the condition of one of the chimneys. The city will be asked to look into the situation
- 4) Commissioner Bernath updated the commission on her investigation of the loom found in the carriage house.

OLD BUSINESS

City Council Study Session: Chairperson Myers reported that there has been no activity from the city council of the city council regarding the reactivation of a study committee to possibly align the historic district city ordinance with Public Act 169.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Farmington Observer and forwarded to the city manager asking for volunteers to serve on the study commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

33218 Oakland: Several commissioners expressed concern about all the work being done on the house at 33218 Oakland, including reinforcing the foundation, electrical, plumbing and heating **without any permits being displayed. Further concern was raised about the complete demolition and replacement of the front porch without any notification to the Historical Commission for plan review.** Chairperson Myers will raise the issue with the building department.

It was suggested that the commission reinstitute a welcome letter to new residents of the Historic District explaining the process for outdoor renovations to their dwellings.

It was pointed out that several of the signs at the entrances to the Historic District are in very poor condition. Chairperson Myers will ask Commissioner Harrison to look into the matter.

Motion by Munter, supported by Baessler that, due to the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 26, the regular meeting of the Historical Commission be changed to Thursday, December 3 at 7:30 PM. Motion carried: all ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Myers at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
D. Munter, Secretary