

Ypsilanti Heritage Foundation board minutes April 2, 2012

Standard Printing conference room, meeting brought to order at 7:36pm

Prebys, Mattimoe, LaRue, Dodd, Schmeideke, Newberry, Randazzo, Nickels, Arps-Prundeanu, Alex & Claudia Pettit

Home Tour update-Looking for one more house, hopefully on the east side. Ten "turn downs" thus far. Proceeds will be dedicated only to a broad preservation project in Ypsilanti.

Tom Dodd-Chautauqua at the Riverside. This place matters, Ypsilanti's role in the surrender of Detroit, Civil War & the Underground Railroad are Saturday, August 18 programs and History Writers tell it like it, Wait wait don't demolish me, and Salute to Veterans on Sunday, August 19. Nat Edmunds is moving her photo exhibit to the Chautauqua instead of the Archives.

Starkweather Home achieved Historic Landmark status as one of two Underground Railroad sites in Michigan.

Meeting place-Standard Printing is losing their conference room to a new printer and expanded operation. Riverside Arts Center board room or YHS Archives mentioned as alternatives. CVB is possibility, too.

Finance-Mattimoe discussed statement for 2011. Generally spent income so balance is similar at start and end of year.

Marker Review-Schmeideke will send out soon.

Marker Banquet-Carol Leyshock to take over for Karen Nickels. Penny Schreiber to remain on committee. Millworks, Miller Motors, Materials Unlimited, Michigan Ladder, Freighthouse, Corner Brewery and Utilities Instrumentation will be honored as adaptive reuse/commercial structures.

Next year's meetings-LaRue reported that the Oliver Ainsworth Mill could be featured as Bill Kinley and Gary Cooper have agreed to a program on the restoration.

Schmeideke concerned about lack of attendance at March general meeting. Should we continue? Newsletter to devote more copy on front page, earlier posting on web site, etc.

Newberry stated that with the interest in being Green and DIY that they might be good topics. Discussion of collaborating with neighborhood associations to increase attendance & awareness. Alex & Michael to get together on an email and Facebook. 130-150 names in data base.

Dodd indicated he could increase spread in newsletter with regard to general meeting coverage.

Next meeting-May 7th, Standard Printing. 8:44pm adjournment