



Royal Oak  
**HISTORIC DISTRICT  
STUDY COMMITTEE**

**Royal Oak Historic District Study Committee  
Minutes – April 18, 2019**

Mahany/Meininger Senior Community Center - 3500 Marais Ave, Royal Oak, MI 48073

1. Call to order – 7:04 pm
2. Attendance – Ruth Cleaveland, Tammis Donaldson, Rob Duchene, Jim Keillor, Leslie Snow  
Absent excused: Chris Kraska, Barb Randau  
Patrick Andras (Historical Commission)
3. Approval of January minutes – Rob Duchene made a motion to approve the minutes,  
seconded by Jim Keillor. APPROVED
4. Treasurer's Report – Tammis Donaldson and Leslie Snow both received reimbursement for  
full-scale copies of Farmers Market blueprints and county records, respectively. Rob  
Duchene noted continued frustration at being unable to get an accurate account number  
and balance for the HDSC from City personnel.
5. Public Comment – None
6. Historical Commission Report – Patrick Andras reported that the HC approved the purchase  
of an HDSC plaque and will be submitting the purchase form. Donations of a Victrola record  
player, railroad lanterns and a horse yoke were made. The HC is still waiting to get two more  
quotes for the side porch rebuild. The OSH Civil War Day will be in September.
7. Unfinished Business
  - a. Report on Farmers Market progress – Tammis Donaldson reported that she is  
wrapping up the boundary and architecture portions of the report. Rob Duchene is  
wrapping up the history portion. Chris Kraska will help put the report together, and  
Leslie Snow will help with formatting.
  - b. Design cards – Jim Keillor will be meeting with Gary Briggs this month to discuss  
historical cards for designated properties, especially those in the downtown area.
  - c. Review/discussion of April 14 visit to Kim Gibbs' home – Ruth Cleaveland shared  
historical information regarding post-World War II housing. The group will continue to  
look into the history of Kim's home in connection to this era, as well as that  
neighborhood's connection (if any) to the building of Beaumont Hospital. The HDSC  
has not yet designated a post-World War II property.
8. New Business – None
9. Motion to Adjourn – Rob Duchene made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim Keillor.  
APPROVED. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Next meeting: May 16, 2019

Minutes recorded by Leslie Snow