

Council Chamber
Henry L. Brown Municipal Bldg.
One Grand Street
Coldwater, Michigan



April 14, 2021
5:30 p.m.
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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
ELECTRONIC REGULAR MEETING

The City of Coldwater Downtown Historic District Commission will hold an Electronic Regular Meeting through Zoom, beginning at **5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, 2021**, for purpose of conducting such business that comes before the Downtown Historic District Commission. The meeting will take place electronically due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, current rates of infection in Branch County, social distancing requirements and gathering limitations in orders issued under the Public Health Code by Michigan’s Director of Health and Human Services and pursuant to authorization for remote meetings found in Michigan’s Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.263, as amended in Public Act 254 of 2020, authorizing remote meetings pursuant to established procedures in the event of a statewide or local state of emergency or disaster declared pursuant to law, charter, or local ordinance to preserve the personal health or safety of members of the public or the public body and the Coldwater City Council’s declaration of a local state of emergency on March 22, 2021 in Resolution 21-18, which extended the authority for City Boards to conduct remote meetings until August 31, 2021, and the Branch County Board of Commissioners’ December 8, 2020 declaration 2020-09 of a local state of emergency which extended authority to conduct remote meetings until December 31, 2021. For current and up-to-date information regarding the coronavirus, visit: <http://www.Michigan.gov/Coronavirus> or <http://www.CDC.gov/Coronavirus>.

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ELECTRONIC DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING ACCESS

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ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Hazelbaker called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Don Shemel, Jenny Rakocy and Sarah Zimmer. All members noted they were located within the Historic District for this meeting and no email comments were received by members prior to 3:30 p.m. before the meeting.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Tamara Barnes, Flip Johnson and Tracy Kelley.

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OTHERS PRESENT: Dean Walrack, Susan Heath and Sheila Puffenberger.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 8, 2020

Commission Action: Motion by Commissioner Zimmer, seconded by Commissioner Rakocy, to approve and place on file the July 8, 2020 HDC Regular Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner: Don Shemel, Jenny Rakocy, Sarah Zimmer and Chairman Hazelbaker.

Nays: Commissioner: None.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PROJECT REVIEW

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Resolution No. 21-24** A resolution regarding the 2022 Meetings of the Coldwater Downtown Historic District Commission.

Commission Action: Motion by Commissioner Shemel, seconded by Commissioner Rakocy, to adopt Resolution No. 21-24 (attached in Addendum A), as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Commissioner: Jenny Rakocy, Sarah Zimmer, Don Shemel and Chairman Hazelbaker.

Nays: Commissioner: None.

Motion carried.

3. **Staff Summary- Demolition by Neglect** An overview of the concept of Demolition by Neglect and actions the Historic District Commission may take to prevent it – Memo attached in Addendum B.

Commission Action: None – Presentation only.

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4. **2020 Annual Report** – Memo attached in Addendum C.

Commission Action: None – Presentation only.

ADJOURNMENT – Next meeting Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

There being no further business to come before the Historic District Commission, Chairman Hazelbaker declared the meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Susan E. Heath, CMC
City Clerk