

~~Absent: Dzurman, Webster, Whatcley~~

~~**MOTION CARRIED**~~

~~The Planning & Development Department was unanimously elected to the office of Secretary of the Historic Districts Study Committee for the term ending December 31, 2006.~~

~~This matter was Discussed~~

~~The Committee Members unanimously agreed to return to Item 6 (Unfinished Business) on the Agenda~~

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6A. 2006-0425 Frank Farm - Preliminary Report

Committee Members reviewed a draft Preliminary Report regarding the Frank Farm. The following corrections were noted:

Page 7, Section 6 (Statement of Significance of the District), Criteria C:

Members noted that Dr. Jane Busch's survey listed the following structures as being significant first in the area of architecture, and secondly in the area of agriculture, and suggested that information could be included under Criteria C:

- (1) The house located at 1304 E. Auburn Road.
- (2) The garage located at 1344 E. Auburn Road.
- (3) The small outbuilding located at 1356 E. Auburn Road.

Dr. Busch's survey also described the entire proposed district as being significant first for agriculture, and second for architecture. Her survey noted that two parcels of the proposed district contained all of the buildings historically association with a farmstead. It was suggested that Mr. Dzurman conduct a review of the architecture of the structures on the proposed district so his comments could be included in the Preliminary Report.

Members then discussed the information included under Criteria D. Dr. Stamps described the "Archaic" period as being the period of time from 7,000 BC to 500 BC. He indicated he would research the records at Oakland University to determine if any photographs or sketches were available regarding items found on the Frank Farm property.

Members agreed the archeological information could be included as another possible area of significance for the proposed district. Dr. Stamps suggested the language

under Criteria D read as follows:

“As of March 1992, Indian arrowheads and ore samples were found on the identified property and in the general vicinity, which represent the Frank Family collection from an area adjacent to a large swamp. A portion of the area has been developed by a public school, but the remains of the property from which the artifacts came remains relatively undisturbed. The collection, which includes 12 points, two bifaces, two celts, and one bannerstone, appears to represent primarily an Archaic occupation.”

Members indicated that Section 9 (Conclusion) should include language regarding the continuous ownership of the farm for four generations, and the fact that much of the farmstead remains intact. The proposed district is significant under the National Register criteria for agriculture and architecture, based on the fact it has been owned by four generations of the same family, and based upon the history of the area for farming and agriculture.

Members agreed that once the revisions have been completed with respect to the Preliminary Report, a draft version may be sent to the State Historic Preservation Office for an initial review and comment.

Chairperson Thompson called for any additional discussion or comments on the Frank Farm Preliminary Report. He summarized that Mr. Dziurman would submit an architectural review of the structures on the proposed district; Dr. Stamps would attempt to locate additional information regarding the archeological data regarding the site, and the report would be revised according to the discussion.

This matter was Discussed

~~7. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)~~

Chairperson Thompson stated the Committee would move on to the next Agenda Item, and requested a brief summary from Mr. Delacourt.

Mr. Delacourt summarized that Dr. Busch's Survey had recommended that the following three designated properties be delisted because she felt that according to the SHPO guidelines, the resources had lost their integrity. He explained that draft Preliminary Reports had been prepared as a template, and the Committee could supplement the reports with information discovered through additional research.

7B. 2006-0422 56187 Dequindre Road
- Preliminary Report

Mr. Delacourt explained this designated district had been recommended for delisting by Dr. Busch, because based on her survey, the house had been moved to its current location from Shelby Township, and had undergone extensive