

~~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 archaeological data regarding the site, and the report would be revised according to the discussion.

7. NEW BUSINESS

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. 56187 Dequindre:

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 remodeling. Dr. Busch had noted that according to National Register Criteria, a building that has been moved from its original location must be significant for its architecture or must be the surviving structure most importantly associated with a historic person or event. Dr. Busch did not believe the subject house had significance to the history of Avon Township, and the architectural significance had been erased by alterations.

Mr. Sinclair commented that he had been past the house and it did look "new".

Ms. Grant indicated she would research the records at the Van Hoosen Museum to determine if any of the family names associated with the property had any significance to Avon Township or the City of Rochester Hills. She would also research any information available regarding the original designation of the resource.

7C. 1207 N. Livernois Road:

Mr. Sinclair commented he had looked at this resource and he did not agree the property should be delisted, as he felt it still qualified for architectural significance.

Mr. Delacourt explained when applying the National Register criteria, the number of similar style structures in the community should be considered, and then consideration should be given to whether the particular resource is one of the "best" examples of that style.

- Mr. Sinclair noted that the 1993 survey indicated that at the time the home was constructed, it was the only non-log cabin home in Oakland County, and that type of construction was not common at the home was constructed. He indicated he would research the names associated with the property because in reviewing a 1982 map of the community, the name "Adams" appeared in that location.

Members questioned whether the property owner would agree to the delisting. It was agreed that additional research would be completed before any recommendation to delist was made. The Committee agreed that if a conclusion was reached to recommend a delisting, the property owner would be consulted, and if the property owner preferred to retain the designation, the Study Committee would include that in their recommendation.

Mr. Sinclair pointed out that the property was a large parcel, which contributed to and provided a significant amount of open space around the resource. He stated he would research the family names associated with the property for any significance with Avon Township or the City.

Chairperson Thompson summarized that Mr. Sinclair would research the family names associated with the resource, and suggested that Mr. Dziurman be requested to look over the resource and weigh in with his opinion of the architecture.

~~7D. 1470 W. Tienken Road:~~

~~Members discussed the fact that the current property owners had recently been before the Historic Districts Commission and had been denied a request to install a picket fence along their property line. The HDC's denial was based on the fact that a picket fence was not appropriate or compatible with the historic district.~~

~~Members noted that Dr. Busch's survey indicated the property owners had obtained a variance from the City's Zoning Board of Appeals in 1989 to construct the gazebo on the property.~~

~~Dr. Stamps stated that Dr. Busch's survey did not indicate an area of significance for the property. He questioned whether the home could be rehabilitated and brought back to its original condition. He indicated that Dr. Busch's survey noted the home was the original tenant house on the Fairview Farm.~~

~~Members discussed the Secretary of the Interior's Standards criteria that state that new additions should be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property would be unimpaired. The question was asked whether a good percentage of the original structure still remained. Members indicated this would be a topic of discussion during the work session scheduled for July 13, 2006.~~

~~Members discussed whether the current homeowners would like to have their property delisted. Members noted that the current homeowners put much time and effort into preparing a history of the property in 2001. They noted the home had aluminum siding, but it was unclear if the~~