



CITY OF MARINE CITY

Historical Commission Meeting Agenda

Guy Community Center, 260 South Parker Street

Regular Meeting: Tuesday, April 19, 2022; 5:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:** Chairperson Kim Turner; City Commissioner Brian Ross; Commissioners William Beutell, Suzanne Jenken, Rosalie Skwiers, Scott Tisdale, Andrew Pakledinaz; City Manager Holly Tatman
4. **COMMUNICATIONS**
5. **APPROVE AGENDA**
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT** *Anyone in attendance is welcome to address the Historical Commission. Please state name and limit comments to five (5) minutes.*
7. **APPROVE MINUTES**
 - A. Historical Commission Regular Meeting – January 18, 2022
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - A. Resolution to Recognize 300 Broadway as City Park
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Proposed updates to Certificate of Appropriateness/Notice to Proceed
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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**City of Marine City
Historical Commission Meeting
January 18, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Historical Commission was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 and was called to order by City Clerk Baxter at 5:02 pm.

Present: City Commissioner Brian Ross, Commissioners William Beutell, Suzanne Jenken, Andrew Pakledinaz, Rosalie Skwiers; City Manager Holly Tatman; City Clerk Kristen Baxter

Absent: Chairperson Kim Turner & Commissioner Scott Tisdale

Motion by City Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Beutell, to excuse Chairperson Turner and Commissioner Tisdale from the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appoint Chairperson

Motion by Commissioner Skwiers, seconded by Commissioner Jenken, to appoint City Commissioner Ross as Chairperson to run the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approve Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Skwiers, seconded by City Commissioner Ross, to approve the Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approve Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Beutell, seconded by Commissioner Skwiers, to approve the minutes from the October 19, 2021 Historical Commission meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Communications

There were no Communications presented.

Public Comment

None.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Resolution to Recognize 300 Broadway as a City Park

City Manager Tatman advised the Board that Chairperson Turner requested the resolution and said that it was not an appropriate agenda item at this time. She explained that the Master Plan update wasn't not yet finalized and that meant that 300 Broadway was still listed as a park. City Manager Tatman said that property would be discussed during a City-Owned Properties Workgroup that was holding its first meeting on January 20, 2022 and suggested waiting to see what the Workgroup recommendation to the City Commission was.

Motion by City Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Skwiers, requesting that the City Commission reconsider the Master Plan updates and ensure the inclusion of Heritage Square as a park in that Master Plan; attached documentation from the Historical Commission agenda dated January 18, 2022 to be included. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Beutell, seconded by Commissioner Skwiers, to adjourn at 5:14 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Baxter
City Clerk

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City of Marine City Historic Commission

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION BY THE MARINE CITY HISTORIC COMMISSION, MARINE CITY, MICHIGAN, TO RECOGNIZE THE BLOCK OF 300 BROADWAY AS HERITAGE SQUARE PARK. THE FIRST PARK ESTABLISHED IN MARINE CITY ON SEPTEMBER 12TH, 1834, BY THE CITIES FOUNDER, SAMUAL WARD.

WHERE AS, Samuel Ward and Gabriel Richard, did acquire from the United States, acreage that the City of Marine city now stands on.

WHERE AS, on September 12th, 1836, Samuel Ward did lay out the Village of Newport AKA Marine City and platted the land.

WHERE AS, the original plat of the land and ALL subsequent atlas maps and fire insurance maps of the region all recognize the block of 300 Broadway as the "Park".

WHERE AS, the State of Michigan in 2008, approves the Heritage Square Historic District. Recognizing the description of the single source district as follows:

The City Hall is situated in the center if a city block on Broadway on the North end of Marine City, two blocks West of the St Clair River shoreline. The property, which is designated PARK, is on the Northeast corner of Broadway and Main (also known as State Road M29). The proposed district is a single source district with one contributing building, five contributing features and three non-contributing features.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Marine City Historic Commission that the block of 300 Broadway be forever recognized as Heritage Square Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Marine City, City Commission is urged to adopt this same resolution to recognize the block of 300 Broadway in Marine City as Heritage Square Park.

ADOPTED by the Marine City Historic Commission of Marine City, on this 19th day of January 2022.

APPROVED: _____

Historic Commission Chair

ATTEST:

City Clerk of Marine City

County Organized; Newport Platted. St. Clair County was organized May 5, 1821. Captain Ward made a determined but unsuccessful effort to have what is now Marine City made the county seat. He procured the establishment of a post office called Belle River. He preferred to have it called Newport, but there was a post office of that name in Monroe County. Samuel Ward was appointed the first postmaster in December, 1831. He served as an associate justice of the County Court and Supervisor of the Township. In 1834 he platted and laid out the Village of Newport. He was truly its founder.⁴

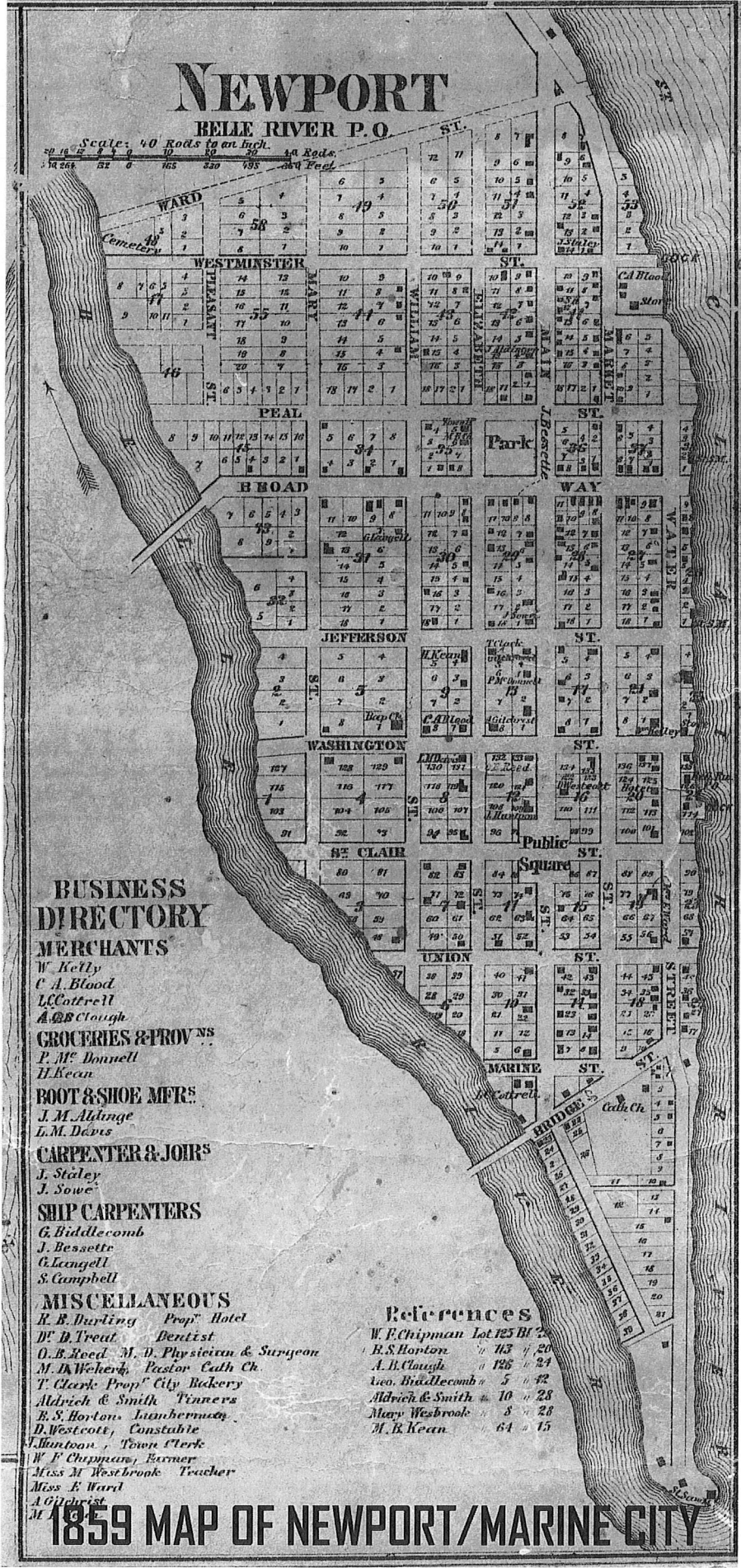
First Steamboat Built. His first steamboat, the *Huron*, was built in 1839, and came out in 1840 when she was placed on the Detroit and Port Huron route. She was the largest and best boat to be put on the route up to that time. Her first captain was Eber Brock Ward who came here from Vermont with his father, Eber Ward, a brother of Samuel.⁵

Samuel Ward prevailed on his relatives, his wife's relatives and others to come here, and they soon came. Time will not permit me to mention their names nor the names of other settlers who by this time were actually flocking to the new community. He continued to build boats and to carry on his lake trade. He discovered brick clay and manufactured brick. Built the then brick mansion in the upper end of town in which he lived many years: and a brick store or tavern on Water Street. These were built about the year 1832. The house can soon celebrate its century anniversary. It has withstood the elements of all these years. So much for Marine City clay from which brick was then made.⁶

NEWPORT

BELLE RIVER P.O.

Scale: 40 Rods to an Inch.
 10 20 30 40 Rods.
 165 330 495 Feet.



BUSINESS DIRECTORY

MERCHANTS

- W. Kelly
- C. A. Blood
- L. Cottrill
- A. B. Clough

GROCERIES & PROVISIONS

- P. M. Donnell
- H. Kean

BOOT & SHOE MFRS.

- J. M. Abinger
- L. M. Davis

CARPENTER & JOINERS

- J. Staley
- J. Sower

SHIP CARPENTERS

- G. Biddlecomb
- J. Bessette
- G. Langell
- S. Campbell

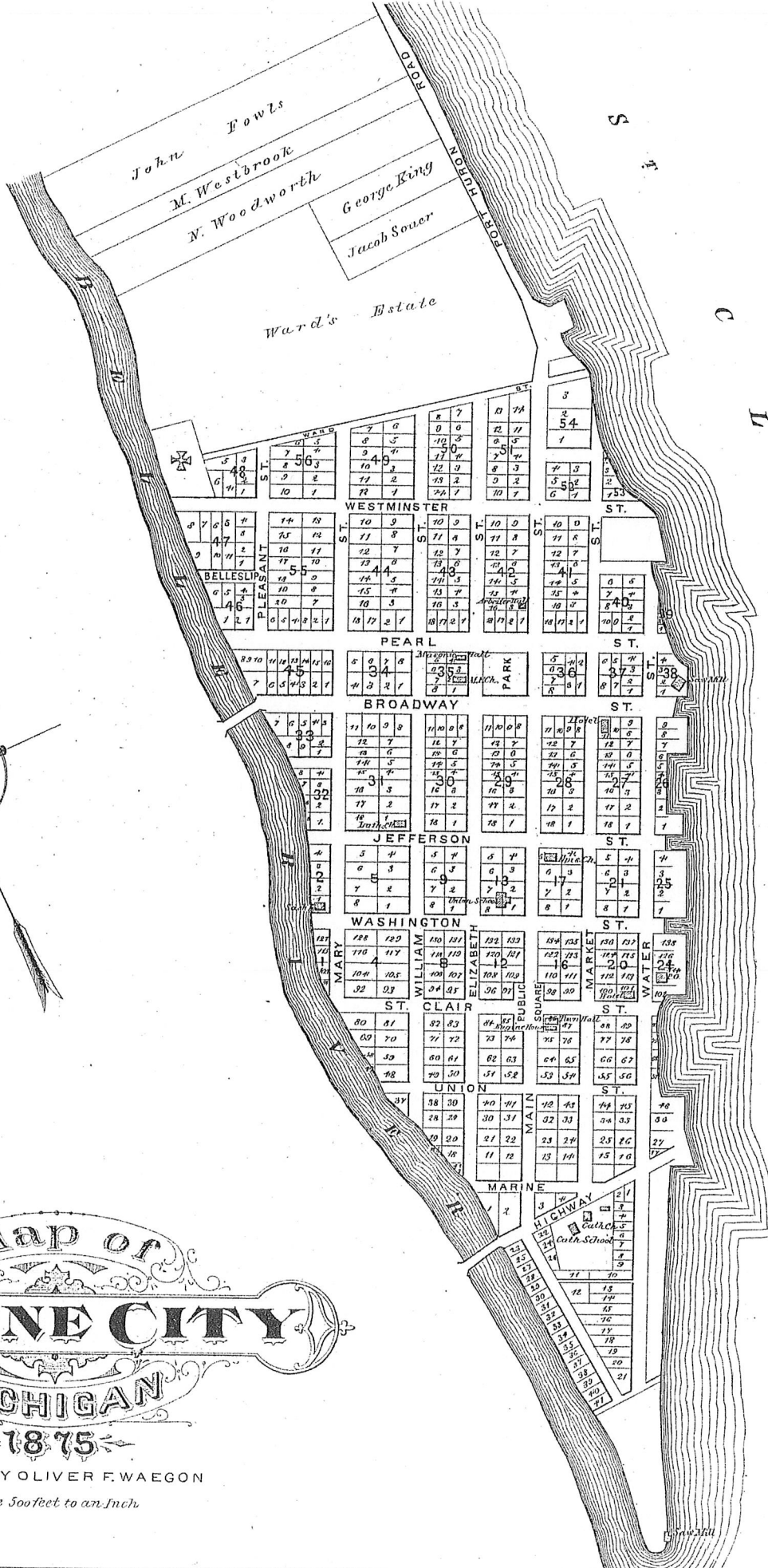
MISCELLANEOUS

- R. B. Burling Prop. Hotel
- D. B. Treat Dentist
- O. B. Reed M. D. Physician & Surgeon
- M. J. Wehenk Pastor Cath Ch.
- T. Clark Prop. City Bakery
- Aldrich & Smith Tinners
- E. S. Hoyton Luncheon
- D. Westcott Constable
- J. Stanton Town Clerk
- W. F. Chipman, Farmer
- Miss M. Westbrook Teacher
- Miss E. Ward
- A. Gilchrist
- M. A. ...

References

- W. F. Chipman Lot 125 Bl. 2
- R. S. Horton " 63 " 20
- A. B. Clough " 125 " 24
- Geo. Biddlecomb " 5 " 42
- Aldrich & Smith " 10 " 28
- Mary Westbrook " 8 " 28
- M. R. Kean " 64 " 15

1859 MAP OF NEWPORT/MARINE CITY



Map of
MARINE CITY
 MICHIGAN
 1875

DRAWN BY OLIVER F. WAEGON
 Scale 500 feet to an Inch

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1897 MAP OF MARINE CITY

Mrs. Laura Lester

Mrs. Laura Lester

63

58

J. G. Westbrook

Harmer Staley

Joseph Blattart

Da. Luda Est

V. J. Saph and S. W. Vance

L. B. Parker

K. W. & J. P. Coltrall

G. H. B. ...

B. C. Coltrall

B. R. ...

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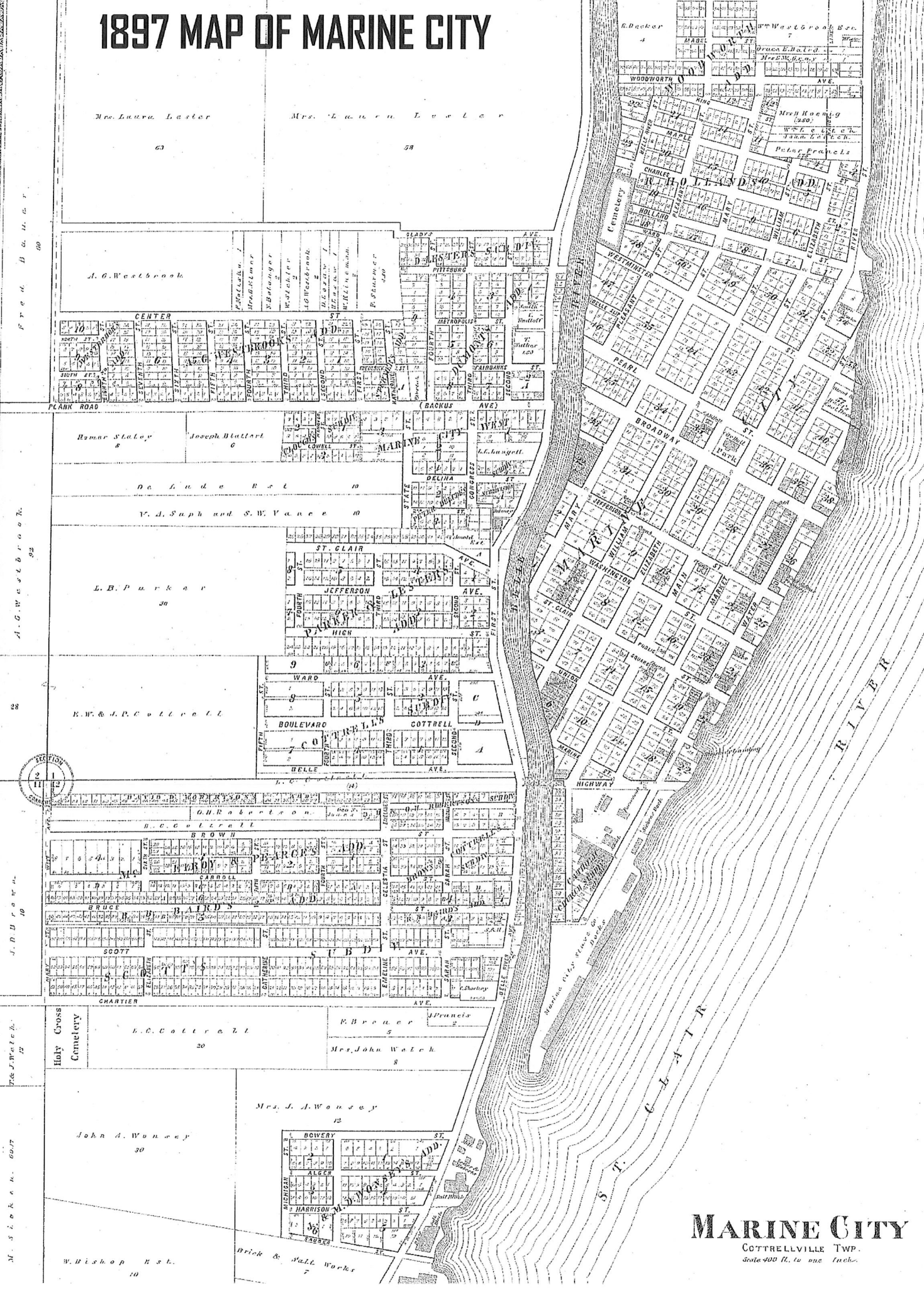
John A. Wouney

W. Bishop E. S. L.

Brick & Sill Works

MARINE CITY
COTTRELLVILLE TWP.
Scale 400 ft. to one inch.

Frederick ...
A. G. W. ...
J. D. ...
M. S. ...



LINE BETWEEN EAST CHINA
COTTRELLVILLE TWP.

MARINE CITY

COTTRELLVILLE TWP.

Scale-Feet One Inch.

Marion J. Lester

John Bowers 100

Lindow Est. 6

Center 27

Backus 27

St. Clair Ave. 27

Jefferson Ave. 27

Palmer 27

Ward 27

Boulevard 27

Cottrell 27

Belle 27

Scott 27

Chartier 27

St. Clair Ave. 27

Jefferson Ave. 27

Palmer 27

Ward 27

Boulevard 27

Cottrell 27

Belle 27

Scott 27

Chartier 27

Blank Road 27

Joseph Bluffard 27

Harry Lawrence 27

L. B. Parker Est. 30

Eber Cottrell 20

R. B. Baird Estate 20

St. Clair Ave. 20

Jefferson Ave. 20

Palmer 20

Ward 20

Boulevard 20

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Scott 20

Chartier 20

Hale P. Saph 13

Holy Cross Com. 13

Geo. Rowlings 14

M. Cook 5

Hale P. Saph 60

Western Sugar Refining Co. 14

St. Clair Ave. 14

Jefferson Ave. 14

Palmer 14

Ward 14

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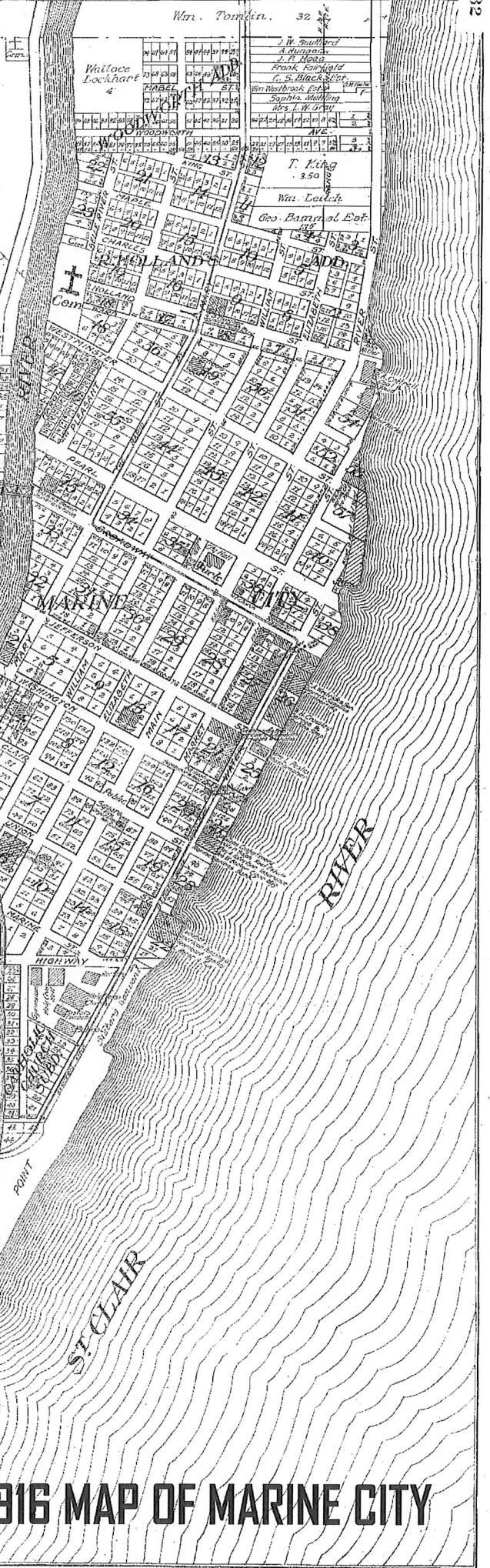
Boulevard 14

Cottrell 14

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1916 MAP OF MARINE CITY

ST. CLAIR LAND CO.

Office: Port Huron, Mich.

Conveyancers and Dealers in Real Estate.

Surveys Made, Lands Platted and Sold on Commission. Abstracts of Land in St. Clair and other Counties furnished promptly.

J. L. PAUL, C. E.

Geo. W. Hunt.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR

Made by J. L. Paul, W. Geo. W. Hunt

Port Huron, October 12, 1885

Abstract of Conveyances on Record in the Office of the Register of Deeds, for St. Clair County, affecting title to

Lot 18 Block 43

Village of Marine City

No.	DATE OF RECORD	BOOK	PAGE	CLASS OF INSTRUMENT	DATE OF INSTRUMENT	GRANTOR	GRANTEE	RESIDENCE OF GRANTEE	QUANTITY		DESCRIPTION	CONSIDERATION		REMARKS
									Acre	100ths		Doll	Cts	
1						Location	United States				East of pt. Sec one			T 3 R 16.
2							Samuel Ward and Gabriel Richard				Plat of Newport			
3	Sept 12 36	E	224	W D	Sept 10 36	Samuel Ward and Gabriel Richard	Samuel Ward and Gabriel Richard		95		Part of said Plat	15000		Henry K. Folger and John P. Phillips
4	Feb 6 50	R	361	Q C D	May 25 42	Samuel Ward and Gabriel Richard	Samuel Ward and Gabriel Richard		95		except lots relinquished by hand of	100		Does not acknowledge. Not signed by
5	Mar 21 54	W	367	Power of Atty	Mar 13 54	Elizabeth Ward	Samuel Ward	Newport			In estate of Saml. Ward			Full power
6	" 22 54	W	368	Will	April 21 47	Samuel Ward	Samuel Ward	Newport			After paying debts & requests 1/16 of fee for life, due to Saml. Ward			Board & confirmed Nov 21 54
7	Nov 21 54	X	507	W D	Nov 14 54	Samuel Ward	Samuel Ward	Newport			Lot 18 blk 43 vol	1500		
8	Dec 2 63	15	131	Q C D	Oct 28 63	Edwin B. Ward	David Gallagher	Newport			" 18 " 43	1000		
9	Mar 30 66	21	330	Q C D	Dec 15 66	Edwin B. Ward	Edwin B. Ward	Hillsdale			" 18 " 43	10		
10	Aug 25 38	H	480	Q C D	Mar 28 38	John P. Phillips and Henry K. Folger	Samuel Ward	Newport			Equal and 1/2 of 95 acs. purchase of grantor			Wf not sold separately
11	Dec 14 66	22	155	W D	Nov 22 66	John P. Phillips and Henry K. Folger	Jean Andre Peretty	Marine			Lot 18 blk 43 vol	300		
12	" 14 66	22	157	W D	Dec 8 66	Jean Andre Peretty	Friedrich Schumck	Marine City			" 18 " 43	275		Palmer's Survey
13	Aug 16 70	34	600	W D	Aug 15 70	Friedrich Schumck	August Schormer	Marine City			See Act of Leg. to legalize survey and reflecting Village of Marine City in 1865.			Section laws of 67 Vol. 3 p 1072.
14	Nov 16 76	59	345	W D	Nov 14 76	August Schormer	John Gronow	China			Lot 18 blk 43	52500		
1	Sept 12 36	D	431	Mortgage	Sept 10 36	Samuel Ward	Samuel Ward	Newport	95		Part of town plat	12000		
2	Dec 14 66	one	160	Mortgage	Dec 8 66	Friedrich Schumck	Jean Andre Peretty	Marine City			Lot 18 blk 43	145		Dischd by Geo Spinks July 6 67
3	July 6 67	Z	177	Assn	Feb 6 67	Jean A Peretty	Geo. Spinks					200		

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Marine City Historical Commission Certificate of Appropriateness/Notice to Proceed

The Marine City Historical Commission (Historical Commission) voted to approve the project described below at the public meeting held _____. Applicant has 90 days from this date to complete said project.

Description of project: _____ File number: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The Historical Commission thanks you for your cooperation in helping to preserve the historic resources of Marine City and wishes you success in the completion of this project.

For additional questions please contact the Field Liaison: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Chairman of Historical Commission

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Building Inspector: _____

City Clerk: _____