Record Group 26
Plymouth Historic Districts
1825-1995
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Abstract

The Township of Plymouth was first settled in the early 19th century. Efforts to establish historical district within the city began in 1993. The historic districts of the city were later established in 1995.

Scope and Content

This collection of records concerns the Plymouth Old Village Historic District and the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, including deeds and title searches of property at the southeast corner of Church Street and Main Street.

Important Subjects

- Deeds—Plymouth, MI
- Historic District—Plymouth, MI
- Local History—Plymouth, MI
- Maps—Plymouth, MI
- Old Village, Plymouth, MI

Entry 1

Box 1, Shelf 90
Folder 1

Five page index of the information used in presentation.
List of Plymouth Historical Society accession numbers for collection.
Sheet listing Questions and Answers about Plymouth’s Proposed Historic District (Acc #2004.284.014A)
Plymouth Historic District Committee Presentation (2 pages) (Acc #2004.284.015A and B)
Plymouth DDA Historic District Study 1993
Map showing suggested DDA Historic District and Old Village Historic District
Letter of September 26, 1995 concerning award of proposal (Acc #2004.284.018)
Proposal asking for bids on Old Village Historical District (Acc #2004.284.019)
Publications and Information Available from the Michigan State Historic Preservation Office (Acc #2004-284-020A and B)
Michigan’s Local Historic Districts Act (Acc #2004.284.021)
A Guide to Delineating Edges of Historic Districts (Acc #2004.284.017)
Notes from Mark Oppat’s Donation: Eight pages of handwritten and duplicate typed notes giving old businesses and dates from 1871 to 1927

Folder 2
Deed—Huron Farms to The Detroit Edison Company
Letter dated April 22, 1932
Two maps of property at 186 South Main Street
Real Estate Records Center File Number 480A covering material in file. (Acc #2004.284.029)
Six page letter from attorney March 14, 1919
Seven pages of information on purchase dated Feb 28, 1919
Agreement to Purchase between First Presbyterian Church Society and Huron Farms, October 19, 1916 (Acc #2004.284.024 Page 1 & 2)
Change of Name regarding The First Presbyterian Church of Northville
Warranty Deed—First Presbyterian Church Society to Huron Farms Company
Warranty Deed—Newhouse to First Presbyterian Church Society
Warranty Deed—Elizabeth G. Stevenson to Harry E. Newhouse, March 13, 1915
Warranty Deed—Mary Hillmer to Huron Farms Company
Warranty Deed (895/153) William H. and Luella A. Hoyt to Elizabeth G. Stevenson, August 23, 1912
Deed William H. Hoyt to Mary K. Hillmer (1919)
Deed William H. Hoyt and Luella A. Hoyt to the Second Presbyterian Church Society of Plymouth
Deed Mary Punches to William H. Hoyt (1898)
Deed Oscar J. Punches to Mary Punches (1896)
Deed Daniel Punches and Mahettable Punches to Oscar I. Punches (1860)
Deed Henry Fralick and Jeannette to Daniel Punches (1855)
Deed John Bogert to Henry Fralick (1855)
Deed John Kellogg to Catharine Ann Forbes (1835)
Deed Edward Brooks to John Kellogg (1835)
Mortgage Holbrook to Edward Brooks & Alfred Harthorn
Deed and Mortgage Timothy Lyon to Banajah Holbrook Jr. (1830)
Mortgage Lyon to William Starkweather (1828)
Deed Benojah Holbrook Jr. to Edward Brooks
Assignment William Starkweather to Penajah Holbrook Jr.
William Starkweather to Timothy Lyon (1828)
United States of America to William Starkweather (1825)

Folder 3
Warranty Deed Packet of info on Detroit Edison to Chester and Jacqueline M. Gregory including:
Schedule B from Lawyers Title Insurance dated 26 Jul 73
Map from Lawyers Title showing Plymouth Plat No. 8 dated 2 Feb 1831
Order to Purchase signed by Charles G. Gregory & Jacqueline M. Gregory
Real Estate & Right of Way Department dated 23 May 1923
Detroit Edison Interdepartmental Correspondence covering Mortgage Release Resolution
Burton Abstract Closing Statement between Detroit Edison and Gregory
Prorating of Property tax – hand written entries
Bill to Detroit Edison on Title Policy
Typed Property Disposition Report
Plant Accounting Department concerning value of land
Real estate & Right of Way concerning sale 7 Mar 1973
Bill from James C. Cutler on appraisal
Detroit Edison Description of Lot 193
Correspondence concerning sale of Lot 193, 7 Feb 1972
Four letters from Oxtoly, Robin son and Hull on Huron Farms, Detroit Edison, First Presbyterian
Detroit Edison letter canceling lease to Michigan State Police
Detroit Edison letter on taxes, 23 Apr 1917
Village of Plymouth description of property, 13 Apr 1917
Detroit Edison letter to Burton Abstract and response 3 pages
Five pages of tax records concerning Elizabeth Stephenson
Letter to Attorney Ortoly from Detroit Edison on taxes, 4 Jan 1917
Map of downtown Plymouth including lots with some owners names
Buckley Abstract Company including 21 pages of prior owners and information on land.

Folder 4

Folder 5
Eight 4 x 6 colored aerial pictures in folder of Ann Arbor Trial, Forest and Harvey areas (Acc #2004.284.012)
Picture of Michigan Bell Telephone Company’s building (Acc #2004.284.022)
Copy of pictures of Main, Ann Arbor Trail and Forest (Acc #2004.284.013 A, B, C)

Folder 6
Slides used in presentation for DDA Historic District
Four pages of notes identifying the above pictures (Acc #2004.284.025)
Thirty-seven sleeves of 35mm negatives of downtown Plymouth including notes on identification of pictures (Acc #2004.284.034)
Nineteen sepia 3 ½” x 5” identified pictures of downtown Plymouth and monuments