



JEFFERSON COUNTY

Historical Commission

Theresa Goodness
Chair

Jen Trenbeath
Coordinator/Secretary

Treasurer

Steven P. Lewis
1st Vice-Chair

Don Smart
2nd Vice-Chair

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The Regular Meeting of the Jefferson County Historical Commission (JCHC) will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the Jefferson County Historical Commission Library, 1149 Pearl Street, Third Floor, Beaumont, TX 77701

Order of Business:

1. Call to Order.
2. Determination of Quorum.
3. Citizens' Communications.
4. Call, Receive Information and Take Appropriate Action on:

Introduction of Guests

ACTION ITEMS:

Secretary's Report – Jen Trenbeath

5. Consider and possibly approve minutes of previous meeting.

Coordinator's Report – Jen Trenbeath

- Staff report from Coordinator.

Treasurer's Report –

- Report of Expenditures and remaining Budget.

Chair's Report – Chair Theresa Goodness

6. Discuss, consider, and possibly appoint a Treasurer under Article IV, Section 8, of the bylaws, as a replacement for Linda McMahan, whose resignation was accepted at the September meeting.

7. Discuss, consider, and possibly accept the resignation of Ricky Hollier as a JCHC commissioner after a reading into the minutes of his resignation letter as per the bylaws, Article III, Section 5.
8. Consider and possibly approve a recommendation to Commissioner's Court to appoint Katherine Leister as a member of the Jefferson County Historical Commission.
9. Consider and possibly approve an expenditure out of budgeted travel funds for registration fees for one or more members of JCHC to attend the Texas Historical Commission 2024 Real Places Conference to be held in Austin on April 3 - 5, 2024. The conference will be held in-person and virtually.
10. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve goals and activities for 2024.
11. Consider and possibly approve dates for 2024 Regular Meetings. Proposed meetings are at 10:00 a.m. on the following dates:
 - January 17, 2024
 - March 20, 2024
 - May 15, 2024
 - July 17, 2024
 - September 18, 2024
 - November 20, 2024

Committee Reports

Historical Preservation:

Beaumont Historical Landmark Commission – Theresa Goodness

- Report on Applications for Certificates of Appropriateness considered by Beaumont Landmark Commission.

Tyrrell Historical Library – Steven P. Lewis

- Report on activities of the Tyrrell Historical Library Association.

Photos of Historic Buildings - Steven P. Lewis

- Report on historic building photography project.

Sam Houston State Library – Don Smart

- Report on research projects conducted at the state library.

Caroline Gilbert Hinchee House Restoration – Theresa Goodness

- Report on status of restoration of the historic home.

World War I monument committee – Bruce Hamilton

- Report of progress of the WWI monument committee on the relocation project.

Historical Markers and Research – Kate Hambright

12. Consider, discuss, and possibly approve an application to the Texas Historical Commission Undertold Marker Program for Sprott Hospital, 2390 Cartwright Street, Beaumont, TX.

- Report on Status of Marker Applications/Dedications.
- Report on Marker Survey/Maintenance.

History Appreciation:

- Report on current Courthouse Mini-museum exhibits and discussion of proposed exhibits. – Jen Trenbeath
- Report on updates to JCHC website and social media. – Jen Trenbeath
- Report on events at Spindletop Gladys City Boomtown Museum. – Rayanna Hoelt
- Report on Coastal History. – Jay Camp

Archeology Committee – Brenda Jackson

- Report on activities that promote the preservation of archeological resources.

Cemetery Committee – Paul Prosperie

- Report on pending applications for Historic Texas Cemetery Designations, cemetery surveys, clean-up days or other similar activities.
- Report on THC Cemetery Inventory Project.
- Report on 2023 Magnolia Cemetery Tour.

Courthouse and Sub-Courthouse Oversight Committee – Jen Trenbeath

- Report on status of Jefferson County Courthouse or Sub-Courthouse buildings.

Certified Local Government (CLG) – Theresa Goodness

- Report on status of project to review and monitor current state and nationally designated properties in Jefferson County and inform the Texas Historical Commission of any alterations to these historic resources.
- Report on status of Historic Resources Survey and Preservation Plan project being conducted under the National Park Service Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund Grant.
- Report on status of any reviews under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Antiquities Code of the State of Texas.

Other Business

13. Discussion on any other item not on agenda without taking action. Receive reports on matters of community interest from elected officials, staff, or members without taking action.

Adjournment