



**JEFFERSON COUNTY**

Historical Commission

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Chair

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Coordinator/Secretary

Treasurer

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1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair

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2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair

**Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Jefferson County Historical Commission (JCHC) held on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 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 at 10:00 a.m.
2. Determination of Quorum. In attendance were: Jay Camp, Theresa Goodness, Kate Hambright, Bruce A. Hamilton, Brenda Jackson, Katherine Leister, Steven P. Lewis, Mike McGreevy, Paul Prosperie and Don Smart. Advisors Les McMahan and Judy Linsley were also in attendance as well as a member of the public, William Gray.
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. Due to Jen Trenbeath's absence during the March 20, 2024 JCHC meeting, approval of the minutes for the January 10, 2024 meeting were tabled until the May 15, 2024 meeting. A motion was made by Don Smart to approve both the January 10, 2024 and the March 20, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kate Hambright and passed unanimously.

**Coordinator's Report – Jen Trenbeath**

- Staff report from Coordinator. See Attachment A.

**Treasurer's Report – Jen Trenbeath**

- Report of Expenditures and remaining Budget. See Attachment B.

**Chair's Report – Chair Theresa Goodness**

6. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve FY 2024-2025 annual budget request of \$14,359.93 to Commissioner's Court, including a capital expense of \$959.93 for a new

Approved  
unanimously  
7/17/2024  
*[Signature]*

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computer in the JCHC library. A motion was made by Paul Prosperie to approve the proposed budget. The motion was seconded by Kate Hambright and passed unanimously.

7. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve a Website Committee meeting date to discuss website redesign project. A motion was made by Mike McGreevy and seconded by Paul Prosperie. Dates were discussed and the meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.
8. Discuss, consider and possibly approve our annual JCHC Calendar project (2025) out of our current FY 2024-2025 budget to promote our county's history and to be distributed to all school districts and to preservation partners in Jefferson County. A motion was made by Kate Hambright and seconded by Steven P. Lewis. The motion passed unanimously.
9. Announcement of 2023 Distinguished Service Award bestowed by the Texas Historical Commission on the Jefferson County Historical Commission for exceptional efforts to preserve and promote Texas' diverse history.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Historical Preservation:**

Beaumont Historical Landmark Commission – Theresa Goodness

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

Tyrrell Historical Library – Steven P. Lewis

- Report on activities of the Tyrrell Historical Library Association. See Attachment D.

Photos of Historic Buildings - Steven P. Lewis

- Report on historic building photography project. See Attachment D.

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. See Attachment E.

### **Historical Markers and Research** – Kate Hambright

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

### **History Appreciation:**

10. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve promotion to the public of a 161<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Tour of Sabine Pass Battleground State Historic Site on Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. A motion was made by Mike McGreevy and seconded by Paul Prosperie.

- Report on current Courthouse Mini-museum exhibits and discussion of proposed exhibits. – Jen Trenbeath No report given. Appointees are asked to please volunteer for mini museum exhibits.
- Report on updates to JCHC website and social media. – Jen Trenbeath. See Attachment G.
- Report on events at the Stark House Museum. – Katherine Leister. Oral report given.
- Report on Coastal History. – Jay Camp. Oral report given.

**Archeology Committee** – Brenda Jackson

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

**Cemetery Committee** – Paul Prosperie

- Report on pending applications for Historic Texas Cemetery Designations, cemetery surveys, clean-up days or other similar activities. Oral report given.

**Courthouse and Sub-Courthouse Oversight Committee** – Jen Trenbeath

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

**Certified Local Government (CLG)** – Theresa Goodness

11. Discuss Section 106 File No. 0011058991 by TowerCo Special, LLC, of a new Positive Train Control telecommunication tower near 501 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in Port Neches, with existing access and utility easements. No comments are requested. *After the posting of agenda, new communication was received from Lotis that did request comment.* A motion was made by Mike McGreevy and seconded by Don Smart to send letter stating that no historical resources appear to be at risk from this project. The motion passed unanimously.
- 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. See Attachment J.

**Other Business**

12. 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**

Meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Coordinator's Report May 15, 2024

I attended the Friends of the THC's annual Real Places conference in Austin from April 2, 2024 through April 5, 2024. As always, sessions were educational and informative, and included a wide range of information. April 3, 2024 I attended an all-day workshop with the THC titled "Empowering Local Preservation". Focus was on CHCs, CLGs and Main Streets. It was a crash course into designation types, opportunities to leverage tax credits and grant opportunities for qualifying properties, updated information worthy of sharing with elected officials as groups seek support for preservation initiatives and a focus on historic resources surveys. Representatives from nearly all the departments of the THC were in attendance and answered questions. I attended continual sessions, but highlights include a session from Bastrop Historical Society about various tour types including cemetery tours and walking tours, a presentation from a GIS Consultant group on utilizing Esri GIS for wayfinding and self-guided tours, a presentation from Jenny McWilliams with the THC and a representative from the Milam CHC about forgotten cemeteries, using a specific example of a recently discovered migrant cemetery as a case study for best practices in documenting and recovering what could be recovered of the cemetery, and a session devoted entirely to deed research. Jefferson County Director of Maintenance, Greg Keller attended for the first time and we attended and co-presented a short-but-sweet overview of the Jefferson County Courthouse at the annual Courthouse Stewards luncheon.

Since returning, I have been busy in the office getting caught up on all I missed from illness and travel time. In addition to my regular work, on April 15<sup>th</sup>, I participated, along with Kate Hambright, Katherine Leister and Jerrilynn Miller, in the downtown walking tour that the JCHC prepared for the Center for History and Culture's Greater Gulf Coast Symposium. The tour went well, and we couldn't have pulled it off without help from the Tyrrell Library, Theresa and Kate's research, Zach Bowman with the City of Beaumont, and Mr. Simon and the Pastor and congregants of St. James United Methodist Church. We received positive feedback on the tour from the scholars and from Dr. Bryan.

On April 2, 2024, after returning from my illness, a letter was sent to Judge Branick and Commissioner Alfred regarding the condition at Spindletop Centennial Park, as approved in the March meeting. A response was received from Judge Branick with a suggestion to speak to local Scout troops to see if any scouts wish to perform work at the park as part of Eagle or other projects. Commissioner Alfred did not respond to the email but did speak to me in Commissioner's Court on April 9, 2024 about the park. He asked that I gather information about costs to replace the panels, and told me that his precinct workers will take care of the safety issues. I emailed Laurie Leister, who has been involved with the park continuously since the idea was conceived, and she gathered her previous files and documents. When the panels were created in 2000, a digital file of the layouts would not have been kept. The panels were replaced by donors in 2014 utilizing the same vendor who created them originally. Laurie has been in touch with that vendor and is awaiting an update from him. She plans to get current pricing from him and also inquire about acquiring the digital file that likely would have been used in the 2014 replacement. In the meantime, she has kept Commissioner Alfred, the McFaddin family's representative and Fran Lee, Jefferson County Auditor in the loop. I've received a list of suggested vendors from Rayanna, now at the THC, and have received a personal recommendation from the Neill-Cochran House Museum in Austin for an exhibit manufacturer. Budget hearings are approaching, so all pricing details will be provided to Commissioner Alfred in advance of the July hearings so he may decide how to proceed.

**For Your Reference: Un-submitted March 20, 2024 Coordinator's Report**  
Coordinator's Report

Feb 20, 2024 County Commissioners voted unanimously to discard books from discard list, to donate books that the Tyrrell expressed interest in and to accept Paul Prosperie's donation of one 1977 City of Beaumont City Directory. The books have been picked up by the maintenance department and Bill Grace with the Tyrrell Historical Library and will be handled each according to the governmental entities' policies.

I attended the Texas State Historical Association's annual meeting in College Station from February 28 through March 1<sup>st</sup>. On February 29<sup>th</sup>, I attended the following sessions: "The Continuing Debate over Monuments and Historical Memory", "Washington on The Brazos Redevelopment" and "The Legacy of Texas Land Grants". On March 1<sup>st</sup>, I attended a full morning breakout session "Texas County Historical Commissions: Peer to Peer Connections and Best Practices" and my notes are as follows:

Increasing visibility of the CHC should also include increasing specific efforts to connect with groups that are representative of the county but not represented in the CHC (JCHC specific- under 40, Port Arthur, Nome, China, Fannett, Hamshire, Nederland, Black, Vietnamese, Indian, Hispanic)

Nano Calderon THC CHC Coordinator has been traveling to CHC meetings to provide trainings and suggestions.

Texas Heritage Guide publication includes information on all Texas Heritage Trails regions and should be available at visitor centers etc.

CHCs were encouraged to include neighboring county's CHCs to all events.

Marker dedications (when the JCHC is included) should include something about the JCHC and preservation efforts. Often this is the most publicly visible event that a CHC participates in.

During the "mixer" session, I spoke with Nano Calderon and Carlyn Hammons about challenges and success of the JCHC. Nano is seeking ways to make the annual reporting process more streamlined and to address topics that are relevant to most CHCs along with data that the THC needs. Possibly more THC sponsored training sessions and "best practices" for board cooperation, committee activities etc. will be created in the future.

**Jefferson County Historical Commission**  
**2023 – 2024 Budget Report**  
**May 15, 2024**

<b>Line Item</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Remaining</b>
30-10 Books	\$0	\$0	\$00.00
30-78 Supplies	\$2,250	\$50.22	\$2,200.00
30-90 Education	\$3,000	\$99	\$2,901.00
50-05 Mileage	\$500	\$321.60	\$178.40
50-12 Markers	\$4,800	\$0	\$4,800.00
50-21 Dues	\$850	\$450.00	\$400.00
50-62 Travel	\$1,500	\$1,348.25	\$152.75
40-52 Postage	\$300	\$88	\$212.00
Totals	\$13,200	\$2,357.07	\$10,842.93

Report of Theresa Goodness, JCHC Designee for Beaumont Landmark Commission May  
15, 2024

The Beaumont Landmark Commission has met once since my last report. On April 8, 2024, the Beaumont Landmark Commission (HLC) met to review Request(s) for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

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- The approved minutes for the March 11, 2024, meeting are attached.
  - The agenda for the meeting of April 8, 2024, is also attached. I was not in attendance at this meeting. The minutes for the April meeting will be submitted with my next report after approval by the HLC in June.
  - The scheduled May 13, 2024, meeting was cancelled due to severe weather.

REGULAR MEETING  
HISTORIC LANDMARK  
COMMISSION

**Council Chambers, City Hall, 801 Main St. - 3:30 p. m.**

**\* A G E N D A \***

**ROLL  
CALL**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 11, 2024.

**REGULAR MEETING**

- 1) PZ2024-93: A request for a Certificate of Appropriateness to remove stucco and replace with siding.  
Applicant: Tristan Addington  
Location: 1880 Broadway Street
- 2) Historic District Code Enforcement Report

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

*"To protect, enhance and perpetuate historic landmarks which represent or reflect distinctive and important elements of the City's and State's architectural, archaeological, cultural, social, economic, ethnic and political history and to develop appropriate settings for such places."*

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact Kaltrina Minick at 409-880-3777.



## Meeting Notes 15 May 2024

Tyrrell Historical Library: At the last meeting of the Tyrrell Historical Library Association, I brought up that the captions on the Weber Collection at the Tyrrell still have not been corrected. Bill Grace introduced David Greer to me and said that he would add the information to the online collection. I brought the corrections to David the next day (Bill had misplaced the ones that I sent him months ago). David will enter the corrections into the system but Bill will have the final approval. As of last night, the corrections are not online.

Historic Buildings Photography: I have continued photographing the demolition of the AT&T Building. On 6 April, all the walls had been knocked down. However, the foundation is still a major project. I talked to the site superintendent about the foundation. He stated that it is massive and could have supported a 20-story building. He thinks that the job will be done in about 30 days. Approximately once a week I have photographed the progress at the site. An up-to-date photo album is being passed around.

I have continued to photograph the construction of the bulkhead at Riverfront Park. It is difficult to document the work there since I cannot go onto the construction site. The barge used for the work is still at the site, so I suspect the bulkhead is not yet complete.

I am slowly working on fundraising PowerPoint for the Hinchee House. I still need to recreate the panoramas from 2014.

A short time ago, I bought an Abstract of Title for "Lot 1, and the E. ½ of Lot 2, Block 45, of the Cartwright Addition to the City of Beaumont, Jefferson County, Texas." Inside the document was an 8x10 glossy of the Pollard School Faculty of 1906, image taken from the Rice Shock, Volume 1. Listed on the photo are the names of the faculty. The photograph, the Abstract of Title, and other information of the site are being passed around. Notably this property was bought by Dr. Edward D. Sprott in 1945. This is not the location of the Sprott Hospital which is on Block 44 east of Block 45. I obtained the plat of this addition from the County Clerk's office yesterday. I am also passing around a cropped version of the 1941 Sanborn Map showing the location of the property listed in the Abstract of Title. You should note that the Sanborn retains the block numbers from the original plat.

I reported at the last meeting about attending the third annual Mural Festival was held on 2 and 3 of March, and all but one mural was finished by the end of the event, except for the mural at 900 Calder. It was finished on 26 March.

Greg Riley, coauthor of *Black Gold to Bluegrass* and antique car expert, brought a group of car buffs to Beaumont to tour various historic places of the city. The outing was called Garage Deluxe Collector Car Tour of Historic Beaumont, Texas and was from 18-20 April. Places visited include Magnolia Cemetery at the Yount site, Art Museum of SE Texas, Fire Museum of SE Texas, McFaddin-Ward House, Chambers House, Spindletop Boomtown Museum, and ending up at the Texas Energy Museum with Judy Linsley giving a talk on 1<sup>st</sup> Spindletop. Photographs are circulating.

In 2008, I bought a privately published biography of Marrs McLean by James A. Clark. This is apparently a rare book since I saw two online auctions for the volume for \$197.00 and \$500.00. I bought my copy from eBay and paid \$7.32. The book is inscribed and signed by the author.

The McLean family plot is at Magnolia Cemetery and, among others, Marrs and his mother Rena Marrs McLean are buried there. The McLean family were donors to Baylor University and the family donations were very important in the development of the school. The Rena Marrs McLean Physical Education Building and the Marrs McLean Science Buildings are two structures on the Baylor campus. Photos of the gravesite and a postcard honoring the Rena Marrs McLean Physical Education Building are circulating.

This year I bought a packet of letters dealing with the “Federal control of the oil business” from 1935. Included is a handwritten letter signed by Marrs McLean; a typed letter to members of the House of Representatives from McLean, and three typed letters to McLean from House Members. The originals are circulating.

Report of Theresa Goodness, Board Member of Hinchee House Restoration Project  
May 15, 2024

The majority of the restoration work is being funded by a grant from the National Park Service under the Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund, which is being administered by the Texas Historical Commission. The grant has an extension deadline of June 30, 2024, so the goal is to complete the approved work for reimbursement by this date. Exterior siding is currently under repair and/or replacement where necessary.

A grant in the amount of \$20K has been awarded from the Mamie McFaddin Ward Heritage Foundation on November 2, 2023, for the purpose of painting the exterior of the Hinchee House. THC has approved the painting of the Hinchee House, but a significant amount of siding must be replaced before painting can begin.

Another grant is being pursued to tackle the repair of the stone masonry.

The long-awaited historical marker for the C. Homer and Edith Fuller Chambers House is now ready to be shipped from the foundry. Our marker sponsor has been notified and she is absolutely thrilled. We've now submitted the application for the HTC Plaque for Pear Orchard Cemetery for Jessie Davis, our marker sponsor. On April 30, 2024, the Pear Orchard Cemetery was recognized as an HTC by the City of Beaumont City Council. The inscription for the HTC plaque for Magnolia Cemetery is in the process of approval and should be submitted to the foundry for casting shortly. The approved inscriptions for each of the George O'Brien Millard subject marker and Temple to the Brave RTHL marker should soon each be sent by the THC to the foundry for casting. We have just received the draft inscription for Pandit Mehar Chand, one of the two untold marker applications that was approved by the THC in November, 2023, and have passed it along to our marker sponsor for his review. We are still awaiting the inscription for Spratt Hospital, our second untold marker application approved in November.

Gary Stretcher of the Port Neches Masonic Lodge was unable to complete his marker application during this marker cycle. Similarly, David Hebert of Houston, second great-grandson of Usan Hebert, has not had an opportunity to follow up on the application materials that I sent him. He was interested in filing an application for a subject marker for Usan Hebert as well as an HTC application for the Colored Nona Cemetery.

There are no new updates to the Temple to the Brave nomination which was approved by the THC State Board of Review on January 13, 2024. We are waiting to hear back from the THC on edits to the narrative that I submitted following that meeting. The THC asked for my patience while they prepare to review new and unrelated national register submissions to be presented at their next State Board of Review meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup> in El Paso. I would like to see this narrative approved by the State HPO and sent to the National Park Service for featuring in the National Register in the next few months.

Jen asked me to pass along the following information with regard to the Morris Booze White House in Port Arthur. Linda McMahan recently notified Jen that an estate sale was taking place at this RTHL property in Port Arthur, which at one time was the Colonel George Sanders Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution home, but is now a private residence. Linda stated that some of the former DAR members were concerned about the sale and what it might mean for the future of the home. They were also worried about the potential sale of the RTHL historical marker itself. Jen requested Linda to kindly please tell these concerned citizens that these private homeowners were allowed to do as they will with their property, but doing her due diligence, Jen also did reach out to Sherri Branick, director of Young Life Estate Sales, and wife of Judge Jeff Branick, regarding the RTHL marker to advise Sherri that the marker is the property of the State of Texas and would need to stay with the home. Sherri was already aware of the significance of the marker and had no plans to sell it during the estate sale.

Attachment G

Website Committee Report

I apologize that the website committee has not yet been able to meet to discuss the website redesign. In my absence, Theresa has three proposed meeting dates for once I've gotten back to the office after recovering from surgery. In the meantime, I've printed the approved layout (JCHC voted unanimously to approve on September 21, 2022 with no revisions) as well as the table MIS requested with the online location of each link. The holding pattern we have been in has been a result of major upgrades to computer systems around the county but I do continue to follow up with MIS.

**Jefferson County Historical Commission  
Archeology Committee Report  
May 15, 2024**

**April 2024** I participated in a reconnaissance survey of the Pivoto Robinson Cemetery near Nome in Jefferson County. It was conducted on March 28 by Bruce Grethen, assisted by four Texas Historical Commission Archeological stewards. The objective was to collect GPR transects over the area to determine if further GPR survey work was warranted. The survey confirmed that there is adequate radar depth penetration to continue. The next steps are identifying prospective areas, cleaning up the cemetery, layout out the GPR grids and collecting the GPR data for the grids and remaining graves in the fenced areas. The date for this is yet to be determined by the landowner, perhaps early summer.

**April 18-21, 2024** I attended the Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. This is a professional organization for the archaeology of the Americas.

**May 4, 2024** I attended the annual meeting of the Texas Archeological Stewardship Network (TASN) in Austin. The TASN was formed in 1984 to assist the staff archeologists of the Texas Historical Commission.

Brenda Jackson

Courthouse Oversight Committee

May 15, 2024

I am pleased to share that Jefferson County has applied for two grants under Round XIII of the Texas Historical Courthouse Preservation Program. As mentioned below, this was a project initiated by the late Commissioner Vernon Pierce. Completing the applications would not have been possible had the County not been willing to take swift action, and had we not had Dohn LaBiche as a consultant, but as of noon on Friday, May 10, 2024 an application for consideration for a Planning Grant and an Emergency Grant were both submitted to the THC. The bulk of my time since April 23, 2024 has been spent compiling necessary support documents, completing the application and meeting with all involved.

In the midst of this, the THC approved the signage in the basement that had been requested by Honey B Ham, and I have submitted a second SAL permit application requesting permission for the Emergency Management department to upgrade their audio visual equipment and hang two new monitors.

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On January 30, 2024 I attended a meeting held with Judge Branick, Commissioner Pierce, Dohn LaBiche and county department representatives including Risk Management, Engineering and Maintenance. Discussion was held about the roof repairs to the historic Jefferson County Courthouse as well as the upcoming 2024-25 Round XIII THCPP (Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program) grant application period. A follow up meeting was held on February 13, 2024, which I attended by phone due to illness, and at this time, Jefferson County will be taking beginning steps to apply for a grant under the 2024-2025 grant period. Our THC Reviewer, Dan Valenzuela was also in attendance at the February 13, 2024 meeting.

Grant documents were made available from the THC on February 26, 2024. I've reviewed the documents and met with Dohn LaBiche on March 6, 2024 to create a game-plan for the grant application. Greg Keller, Director of Maintenance will be updating scope of work yet to be done from our 2020 Master Plan and Dohn will update pricing and materials. I will complete all other portions including Jefferson County History and Courthouse Significance, using primarily information from the 202 Master Plan, with additions as necessary. Regular meetings are being held by Commissioner Pierce for updates on both the roof and grant progress. The deadline for the grant submission is Monday, May 13, 2024.

On February 13, 2024, I met virtually with the owner of Honey B Ham, who will be opening a location in the courthouse café. Two requests have been made for minor changes (mounting of an electrical sign and mounting of a new TV) to the basement, and Commissioners Court authorized Judge Branick to execute the State Antiquities Landmark permit application on February 27, 2024. The application has been sent to the THC Courthouse Review division.

Greg Keller, Director of Maintenance has been asked to participate as a presenter in the Facility Managers' Panel at the Real Places Conference and has asked me to assist him in preparing a Powerpoint Presentation to illustrate some of the challenges and successes that our Maintenance Department has dealt with. We've been provided guidance by a James Malanaphy, an architect in THC's Division of Architecture.

#### Mini Museum

Beaumont Heritage Society has installed interpretative boards in the mini museum which tie in to their new permanent exhibit at the Chambers House Museum. "By Their Hands" honors the domestic employees that worked for the Chambers family, as well as all domestic employees who played a role in Beaumont's growth by providing labor for affluent families. The mini-museum exhibit will be in place until early April, when I will install a "Courthouse Artifacts" display to run through June. BHS plans to place another yet-to-be-determined exhibit in the mini-museum in June.



Certified Local Government Committee Report May

15, 2024

1. Discuss Section 106 File No. 0011058991 by TowerCo Special, LLC, of a new Positive Train Control telecommunication tower near 501 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. in Port Neches, with existing access and utility easements. No comments are requested.
  - See attached letter from Lotis Environmental, LLC, consultants for TowerCo Special, LLC.
  - 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.

A final report on the grant, attached hereto, was submitted to the Texas Historical Commission on April 23, 2024, and accepted on April 29, 2024. There is one outstanding request for reimbursement from the county, which THC is processing. After the final disbursement THC will send a letter confirming the successful completion of grant requirements. Also, THC has posted a link to our historic resources survey on their website:

<https://thc.texas.gov/preserve/preservation-programs/disaster-assistance/hurricane-harvey-grant-funded-historic-resources>