



JEFFERSON COUNTY

Theresa Goodness
Chair

Jen Trenbeath
Coordinator/Secretary

Historical Commission

Linda McMahan
Treasurer

Steven P. Lewis
1st Vice-Chair

Don Smart
2nd Vice-Chair

Amended Notice of Meeting and Agenda

The Regular Meeting of the Jefferson County Historical Commission (JCHC) will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 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 – Linda McMahan

- Report of Expenditures and remaining Budget.

Chair's Report – Chair Theresa Goodness

6. Discuss, consider, and possibly accept the resignation of Leslie McMahan as a JCHC commissioner after a reading into the minutes of his resignation letter as per the bylaws, Article III, Section 5.

7. Discuss, consider, and possibly accept the resignation of Linda McMahan as a JCHC commissioner after a reading into the minutes of her resignation letter as per the bylaws, Article III, Section 5.

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 – Kate Hambright

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

Historical Markers and Research – Kate Hambright

- 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. – Linda McMahan
- Report on updates to JCHC website and social media. – Jen Trenbeath
- Report on events at Spindletop Gladys City Boomtown Museum. – Rayanna Hoeft
- Report on Coastal History. – Jay Camp

Archeology Committee – Brenda Jackson

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

Cemetery Committee – Paul Prosperie

8. Consider and possibly approve contacting the current property owner of the land adjacent to the Sabine Pass cemetery for the purpose of asking permission to perform a ground penetrating radar (GPR) survey on a portion of their land to look for graves.
- 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 status of historic Magnolia Cemetery Tour plans for 2023.

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

9. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve a 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.
10. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve sending a response letter to a request for comment from Power Engineers, Inc. regarding a proposed Entergy transmission line project in Jefferson County called the Sandling-Keith Lake Cut-in to Sabine Pass, Project No. 236059.
11. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve sending a response letter to a request for comment from Union Pacific Railroad regarding a proposed 60 monopole (65 ' in overall height) communications pole with associated equipment in Beaumont, Texas, within the existing railroad right-of-way at the following approximate locations: Coordinates: 30.082507, -94.112027; Mile Post #30.34 and Coordinates: 30.076138, -94.113782; Mile Post #279.37

- 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

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