

## JEFFERSON COUNTY

**Historical Commission** 

Theresa Goodness Chair Jen Trenbeath Coordinator/Secretary

Linda McMahen Treasurer Bruce A. Hamilton 1<sup>st</sup> 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, March 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 - Linda McMahen

- Report of Expenditures and remaining Budget.
- 6. Consider and possibly approve an expenditure of \$245.00 from Office Supplies for a custom table cover to be used at events where JCHC participates in preservation outreach efforts.
- 7. Consider and possibly approve an expenditure of approximately \$300.00 from Office Supplies for a 43" monitor and a wall mount for meeting presentations and training.

# Chair's Report - Chair Theresa Goodness

8. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve 2024 annual JCHC historical calendar publication process and calendar work assignments.

### **Committee Reports**

### **Historical Preservation:**

Early African-American Schools and Educators - Lynn Simon

• Report on research of early Beaumont schools and educators.

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.

Tyrrell Park Coalition – Steven P. Lewis

• Report on status of plans by the City of Beaumont to renovate the Tyrrell Park Community Building built by the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Caroline Gilbert Hinchee House Restoration – Bruce A. Hamilton

• Report on status of restoration of the historic home.

Military History – Kate Hambright

• Report on research projects.

World War I monument committee – Kate Hambright

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

Beaumont Downtown Preservation Committee - Theresa Goodness

• Report of progress of the Beaumont Downtown Preservation Committee.

### Historical Markers and Research - Kate Hambright

- Report on Status of Marker Applications/Dedications, including applications for the Pipkin School and the Gulf and Interstate Railroad.
- Report on Marker Survey/Maintenance.

• Discuss the statue of George O'Brien Millard, a prominent citizen known for helping develop the Beaumont public school system, which has been moved to the grounds of the Beaumont Art Museum.

# **History Appreciation:**

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

## Archeology Committee – Brenda Jackson

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

## <u>Cemetery Committee</u> – Paul Prosperie

- 9. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve authorizing Kate Hambright, Marker Chair, to make application on behalf of JCHC to the Veterans Administration for a corrected grave marker for WWI soldier George Shaw, interred at Evergreen Cemetery, who held the rank of Sergeant at the time of his death, rather than Private.
- 10. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve authorizing Kate Hambright, Marker Chair, to make application on behalf of JCHC to the Veterans Administration for a grave marker for Buffalo soldier Pvt. Jerry Lloyd, interred at Evergreen Cemetery in an unmarked grave per his death certificate and National Park Service records.
- 11. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve a committee tasked with coordinating with cemeteries, veteran's groups, and preservation partners for placement of any grave markers JCHC may receive from the Veterans Administration.
- 12. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve JCHC participation in the Magnolia Cemetery Memorial Day event to be held May 29, 2023.
- 13. Discuss, consider, and possibly approve JCHC participation in the historic Magnolia Cemetery Tour to be held in October, 2023.
  - Report on pending applications for Historic Texas Cemetery Designations, cemetery surveys, clean-up days or other similar activities.

• Report on THC Cemetery Inventory Project.

# 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 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**

14. 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**