

Pascagoula Historic Preservation Commission
Wednesday 27 April 2022 – Main Street Conference Room
Minutes

The April meeting of the Pascagoula Historic Preservation Commission was called to order by Chairman Liz Ford at 12 o'clock, after it was determined a quorum was present .

Present: Michele Coats, Chris Wiggins, Richard Lucas, Martin Hegwood, Tommy Wixon, Liz Ford

Excused: Michele Gautier Lee, Barry McIlwain, and Kevin Hall

Ex Officio: None

Other: Dan Lee

OLD BUSINESS:

Status Proposed Buena Vista Historical District – Michele Coats/Liz Ford

- On hold for the time being

Status Baptiste tombs/Greenwood Cemetery – Tommy Wixon

- Cindy Frederic is handling the tombstone restoration for the Church,
 - o The plaster has been removed and now trying to determine if to leave the brick or replaster
 - o The tombs will be rededicated on All Souls Day 02 November

Downtown Housing – Michele Coats

- All available units are rented/
- City Centre has been somewhat delayed due to deliver of materials, however they are working around it
- Sara Sues has been sold for residential
- Daggett House sold and will be used for residential
- Also the Ebb Ford House and bail bond office have been sold and will be residential

LaPointe-Krebs House/LP-K Foundation – Liz Ford

- Work Day on April 23 started with beignets and coffee at 8 AM and about 20 people showed up
- Hugo Krebs' Birthday Bash will be he 14th of May – 1 to 4 PM – Family fun Day
- Lime Burn on Tuesday 12 May at Point Park

- Plans underway for the Fete on 20 August at the Hilton
- WWII Heritage City – Martin Hegwood
- The application is in a bureaucratic stall in Washington
 - The Navy House marker still has not been relocated although Katarina submitted a work order to Public Works some time back

Pascagoula Depot – Kevin Hall

- Funding through the Restore Act has been received for both the Depot and Anchor Square which will be converted back into housing.

Jackson County Historical & Genealogical Society – Dan Lee

- Mississippi Heritage Trust is scheduled to present the program on Oldfields at the May meeting of the Society
- MHT's annual preservation conference is scheduled for June 9 & 10 in Raymond
- Representatives from each high school will be joining the Board as Junior members.

NEW BUSINESS:

Madame Pontalba & Gaston Potable's Exhibit

- There was a good turnout for the exhibit last night, kudos to Tommy for a great job presenting it as well as making the arrangements
- The Pontalba family has agreed to permit a follow up in the Journal utilizing a few pictures including the portrait
- Know they rented a cottage from Eugenie Krebs Baptiste on the Beach
 - o A deposition said it was a mile and a quarter from Bellevue which should put it about Pascagoula Street
 - o An anonymous donor has offered a \$100.00 award for a picture of Eugenie

Possible Nominations for National Register Listing:

- Michele Coats will work on the listing for the Anola Club

Home for the Singing River Little Theatre

- Chris Wiggins would like to encourage the Little Theater Building owned by the American Legion be considered
- Old PHS Auditorium which is owned by the school system is another consideration
- Dan Lee volunteered his brother's assistance – he was Chairman of the restoration of the Saenger in Pensacola

CLG Training in 2022

- Training will take place four Tuesdays in August – location TBD.
 - o Liz told Meredith Massey we would be glad to host one of the sessions but no response to date

OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/DISCUSSION:

- Richard Lucas distributed flyers for the Senior Players production of THE PONDER HERT which will be this weekend
- Chris Wiggins suggested selling the JCH&G Society Journals at Jackson Square
- A discussion of the library situation followed during which Liz shared in good faith what later proved to be erroneous information
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There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be 25 May at 12 noon.

Liz Ford, Note Taker