

MINUTES

A meeting of the **Heritage Preservation Commission** of the City of Waxahachie, Texas was held in the Hatchet Conference Room, Beatty Municipal Services Building, 408 S. Rogers on **Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.**

Heritage Preservation Commission Members present: Peggy Crabtree (arrived late)
Ronald Finch
Curtiss Thompson
Jacqueline Montejano
Kelly Savell
Adam Graves
Michelle Haye

Planning & Zoning Commission Liaison: Bonney Ramsey

City Council Liaison: Patrick Souter

Heritage Preservation Officer: Eleana Tuley

Guests: City Councilperson Travis Smith, Deputy City Manager Albert Lawrence, Senior Director of Economic Development Warren Kettelman and Charity Fitch, Waxahachie Sun

1. Call to Order

Jackie Montejano called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

2. Public Comments

No public comments.

3. Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2023 and Work Session of November 1, 2023

Michelle Haye made a motion to approve the minutes on October 12, 2023. Kelly Savell seconded the motion. **All ayes.**

Michelle Haye made a motion to approve the minutes of the work session on November 1, 2023. Ronald Finch seconded the motion. **All ayes.**

4. Discuss the November 1, 2023 Heritage Preservation Commission workshop results and the revised boundary for the Historic Overlay and take any necessary action.

Downtown Manager, Eleana Tuley begin the discussion with a review of properties under consideration. She recommended “cleaning up” outlier properties on the west side of Monroe Street. Leaving the Women’s Building as part of the proposed expanded overlay. Following much discussion from Commission members, Councilmember Smith and staff, the Commission agreed that the following additional properties would be recommended for inclusion in the expanded overlay: The Women’s Building at 407 W. Jefferson, two parcels at Railyard Park, 441 S. College, 415 S. Flat Street, 200 S. Clift Street, 300 Smokey Lane, 308 Smokey Lane, 308 N. College, 301 N. College, 311 N. College, 306 N. Rogers Street, 300 N. Rogers Street, 315 N. Rogers Street and 308 N. Monroe Street. Staff will be responsible for taking the necessary steps to notify the affect property owners.

Michelle Haye made a motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Curtiss Thompson seconded the motion. **All ayes.**

5. Comments by Commission members and City staff

Peggy Crabtree expressed interest in attending the Real Places Conference in April 2024 in Austin hosted by the Friends of the Texas Historical Commission. She encouraged other Commissioners to consider attending as well and asked that this item be on the next agenda. Ronald Finch expressed his intent to submit an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for another property owner looking to make some improvements to his historic home consistent with the original architecture and design. Peggy expressed interest in reviewing it at the next HPC meeting.

No other comments made.

6. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Warren Ketteman