



Walker County Historic

Preservation Commission

John Culpepper, Chair

Alan Slaven, Vice-Chair

Renee Griffin, Secretary

Frances Cobb

Theresa Dorsey

Patrick Cook

Randall Pittman

Agenda, Walker County Historic Preservation Commission meeting, Monday October 18, 2021, beginning at 6:00 pm., Marsh House, 308 North Main Street, LaFayette, Georgia 30728,

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Public notice of meeting emailed to Walker County Messenger (October 13, 2021), posted on Walker County Government Facebook page and posted at location of meeting.
3. Establishment of Quorum.
4. Introduction of Commission Members.
5. Introduction of Visitors.
6. Approval of the Agenda.
7. Approval of September 27, 2021, meeting minutes.

Old Business:

8. Letter of support from Commission supporting the Marsh House Board of Trustees and the Walker County Historical Society's request that Walker County purchase the lot north of the Marsh-Warthen House for historical preservation. Doctor David Boyle to present status report on property acquisition.
9. Commissioners resumes for application for Walker County recertification as a Certified Local Government.
10. Commission Letterhead

New Business:

11. Discussion on items to enhance Commission meetings. (Name Plates, Name Badges, Recording Devise)
12. Article by Commission Secretary Renee Griffin submitted to Walker County Messenger on behalf of the commission.
13. Opportunity for each commissioner to bring any business before the Commission.
14. Location and time of next meeting.
15. Completion of agenda, public invited to address commission.
16. Adjourn

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Marsh House, 308 North Main St.

Lafayette, GA 30728

Monday, October 18, 2021

6 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6pm. by Chairman Culpepper.

Public notice was emailed to Walker County Messenger October 13, 2021, posted on Walker County Government Facebook page, and posted at meeting location.

Quorum was established. All members were present.

Introduction of commissioners

Introduction of visitors (4 visitors present)

Pat Cook made motion to approve agenda. Randy Pittman seconded. Motion carried.

Alan Slaven made motion to approve minutes as presented. Theresa Dorsey seconded. Minutes approved as presented.

Old business:

Dr. David Boyle reported on the Walker County Historic Corporation's successful purchase of the half acre lot north of the Marsh House. He advised the Walker County Board of Commissioners are discussing Walker County purchasing the lot from the Walker County Historic Corporation as requested by the Marsh House Board of Trustees and the Walker County Historical Society. The Walker County Historic Preservation Commission sent a letter to the Walker County Board of Commissioners supporting the request.

Resumes were collected from the board of commissioners to be submitted with four-year report in accordance with state certification guidelines. Pat Cook has been out of town and will submit his request to Chairman Culpepper.

Randy Pittman submitted a prototype of Commission letterhead designed by his daughter. In consideration of hybrid school issues, the time frame will be extended. Ms. Pittman's design will be used interim until a permanent letterhead can be developed by Walker County students.

Pat Cook made a motion to use this letterhead until student developed letterhead can be accepted. Alan Slaven seconded. Motion passed.

Renee Griffin made motion to authorize John Culpepper to request Walker County Walker provide name badges, name plates, and recording device for the commission. . Pat Cook seconded. These items are to clarify people and position for guests in meetings and to act as identification when working within the community. The recording device is additionally needed to document the oral histories shared during commission meetings by elder residents of the county to preserve them for future generations. Chairman Culpepper will forward request to Chairman Whitfied.

Thanks, issued to Renee Griffin for article submitted to Walker County Messenger about the Commission and its duties.

Opportunity for commissioners to bring business before commission:

Alan Slaven brought up commissioner be present at various county activities during the holiday season. Renee Griffin, Alan Slaven, and Pat Cook were appointed to develop a way for commission to engage citizens during the holiday season.

Commission discussed a Facebook page and an Instagram with hashtags specific to the commission. Renee Griffin and Theresa Dorsey will learn about social media campaign guidelines for Walker County Government.

The next meeting will be held on November 15, 2021, in the Rossville area with a location to be announced.

Theresa Dorsey reported on Roper Corporation's participation to help beautify the garden here at the Marsh House in addition to other locations around Lafayette. A letter will be sent to Roper Corporation from the commission to thank them for their work.

The floor was open for guests to speak to the commission:

Dr. David Boyle thanked the commission for its work and shared information about the Walker County Historic Society. He then spoke about the Marsh House. Brochures and Friends of the Marsh House literature was shared. He shared the history of the House. He shared fascinating and obscure history of Walker County and how it predates so many surrounding communities. He also shared the history of how the home was saved in secret twice (it was very thrilling) and, how the deed requires it to be a house-museum and belongs to the citizens of the county. The house is on the national registry of historic places. The county puts no money into staffing or tours. It is all volunteer.

Rand Pittman made a motion to adjourn with Alan Slaven seconding. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:23pm.

Minutes submitted by Renee Griffin