



Historic Landmark Commission - Preservation Education Sub-Committee Minutes
April 16, 2025 - 4:15 PM
Final

Planning Department Conference Room
1200 E. Broad St., Mansfield, TX 17063

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Leach called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of City Hall, 1200 East Broad Street, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place, and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Staff Present:

Art Wright, Historic Preservation Officer

Amanda Brown, Museum Education and Engagement Specialist

Mansfield Youth Council:

Jada McClure

Preservation Volunteers:

Amanda Kowalski

Carolyn Wright

Commissioners:

Present: Jennifer Johnston, Thomas Leach

Absent: Mark Walker

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion regarding preservation activities, educational events, outreach events and other programs for 2025, including Preservation Month, spring events, and educational videos for the Mansfield Independent School District.

The Sub-Committee discussed the upcoming events for Historic Preservation Month in May 2025, including:

- The Sub-Committee reviewed some of the activities for the Mansfield History Hunters Scavenger Hunt. Mr. Wright presented an example of the award and stated that there would be cash prizes.*
- The Chalk the Walk on Historic Main Street event would be split between an open competition for individual or group artists, and for student teams to earn money for class supplies. Mr. Wright reported that the contest information had been sent to the Director of Fine Arts at the Mansfield Independent School District (MISD) and forwarded to the schools. Mr. Wright stated that two students had registered in the individual competition, but that no student teams or classes had registered for school funds. Chair Leach stated*

that the Mansfield Historical Society would provide two \$500 prizes for student teams.

- *Alternate locations for the "This Place Matters, 31 Days of May" program were discussed to replace some of the original sites selected.*
- *Mr. Wright reported on the Historic Downtown Mansfield Car Show, and stated that part of Walnut Street would be available for one of the merchants to access their loading dock. Commissioner Johnston stated that the trophies made by the MISD automotive and welding classes were finished. The Sub-Committee discussed placing the entertainers on the back porch of the Farr Best Theater.*

The Sub-Committee discussed the proposed video for MISD's third grade Social Studies classes. Ms. McClure presented a draft script and production notes for the video based on what students in that age group watched on television. She recommended a recurring cartoon character, "Lantern Jack", as the host of the video. Ms. Brown stated that she would work with Ms. McClure on the historical facts to be included in the video.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2025, at 4:15 p.m.

3. ADJOURN

With no further business, Chairman Leach adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Thomas Leach, Chair

ATTEST:

Art Wright, Historic Preservation Officer