



HLC - Preservation Education Sub-Committee - Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2025 - 4:15 PM
Final

Planning Department Conference Room
1200 E. Broad St., Mansfield, TX 76063

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Leach called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Planning Department Conference 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
Jessica Baber, Museum Manager
Amanda Brown, Museum Education and Engagement Specialist*

Preservation Volunteers:

Carolyn Wright

Commissioners:

Present: Thomas Leach, Mark Walker
Absent: Jennifer Johnston

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion regarding preservation activities, educational events, outreach events and other programs, and educational videos for the Mansfield Independent School District.

The Sub-Committee discussed the following items:

- *To date, the Poster Contest has 48 entries. The Sub-Committee discussed making a request to the Public Art Manager to display the winning posters at the Wallace-Hall Art House.*
- *The Sub-Committee discussed the MISD video project. A real lantern is needed to provide continuity between the live action sequences and the cartoon character Lantern Jack.*
- *Mr. Wright reported that one of the Commission's preservation volunteers was a former escape room designer and was working on the museum escape room project for October 2025.*
- *The Sub-Committee discussed the Founders' Day Festival, including the Heritage Tree giveaway. Arrangements will be made to allow visitors to pick up their trees at the Man House Museum.*
- *The Sub-Committee discussed a new event for 2027 to be called Decade Days. The event would be held at Geyer Commons, if available, and celebrate the 1940s in Mansfield. Mr. Wright was asked to invite staff from the Community Engagement and Parks Departments to assist with organizing the event.*
- *Chairman Leach reported a request from Bethlehem Baptist Church for assistance with a monument honoring the 75th anniversary of the Mansfield desegregation incident.*

The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2025, at 4:15 p.m.

3. ADJOURN

With no further business, Chairman Leach adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Thomas Leach, Chair

ATTEST:

Art Wright, Historic Preservation Officer