

FRANKLIN COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

January 9, 2019

The Franklin County Historic Preservation Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 in the Franklin County Offices, Conference Room, 215 E Nash St, Louisburg, North Carolina.

Present: Michelle Bowers, Bill Harris, Penny McGhee, Debra Brodie and Joanne Carpenter
Staff: Scott Hammerbacher, and Katie Rhyne

The meeting was called to order at 9:00AM.

Penny McGhee made a motion to approve the October 2018 minutes. Joanne Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

1. The Franklin County Historic Preservation Commission held their election of officers.

Penny McGhee nominated Bill Harris as Chair to the Commission. Joanne Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Bill Harris nominated Penny McGhee as Vice Chair to the Commission. Joanne Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

Bill Harris nominated Katie Rhyne to act as Clerk to the Commission. Joanne Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

2. The Historic Preservation Commission discussed the status of the Old Jail as a Historic Landmark.

Staff informed the Commission that the Old Jail had been designated as a landmark by the Board of Commissioners on Monday, January 7, at their regularly scheduled meeting. Staff explained that this was the last major item that needed to apply for Certified Local Government (CLG) status.

The Franklin County Historic Preservation Commission asked about the status of the Franklin County Training School – Riverside Union School.

Staff replied that the application needed to be forwarded to the Board of Commissioners for approval.

3. The Historic Preservation Commission discussed Covington Foundation Grants.

Staff stated that the Women's Society at the Franklinton Depot had sought grants from the Covington Foundation in order to make repairs to the structure, and were seeking a letter of support towards their application.

Debra Brodie made a motion to adopt a letter of support. Joanne Carpenter seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

4. The Franklin County Historic Preservation Commission held a discussion regarding the publishing of a book of historic properties within Franklin County.

Staff explained that the Town of Louisburg was in the process of developing its own publication. A conversation had occurred, and the Town had agreed to work alongside Franklin County towards a single publication. Staff mentioned that the County was also interested in supporting the publication of the book. They explained that the first step in publication was to compile a manuscript.

The Historic Preservation Commission discussed the need for photographs to be included with the book.

Staff stated the State Historic Preservation Office held an archive of photographs, and employed a staff photographer that charged \$1.00 for each photograph.

Penny McGhee made a motion to contact Dan Pezzoni, and Scott Garlock to get an estimate of the funds needed to produce a manuscript. Debra Brodie seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0.

With there being no further business before the Historic Preservation Commission, Chairman Bill Harris adjourned the meeting at 10:00AM.

Bill Harris, Chairman

Katie Rhyne, Clerk