

Florida Historical Commission
500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida, Room 307 R.A. Gray Building
Friday, February 7, 2020 9:00 a.m. - Conclusion

Meeting Minutes

Commission Members Present In-Person: Ms. Marion Almy; Mr. Steve Birtman; Dr. Clifford Smith; Ms. Kathy Spurgeon.

Commission Members Present Via Phone: Dr. Judy Bense; Mr. John Browning, Jr.; Mr. Rick Gonzalez; Mr. Tim Holladay.

Commission Members Not Present: Mr. John Phelps; Mr. Vincent Luisi.

DOS Staff Members Present: Dr. Angela Tomlinson, Assistant Director; Dr. Mary Glowacki, Chief, Bureau of Archaeological Research; Ms. Alissa Lotane, Chief, Bureau of Historic Preservation; Dr. Sarah Liko, Program Administrator; Ms. Susanne Hunt, Outreach Programs Supervisor.

DMS Staff Members Present: Mr. Patrick Gillespie; Mr. Tom Berger.

Members of the Public Present In-Person: Dr. Maranda Kles.

Item I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Almy called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. and asked Dr. Liko to call the roll. Quorum was confirmed.

Item II. Introduction of Commission, Staff & Guests

Ms. Almy asked the commissioners, staff, and guests to introduce themselves.

Item III. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Birtman made a motion to move the DMS presentation to the beginning of the February 7, 2020, FHC business meeting agenda. Ms. Almy asked for a second. Ms. Spurgeon seconded, and the motion to adopt the agenda with this change passed unanimously.

Item IV. Approval of Minutes from November 8, 2019, Meeting

Ms. Spurgeon made a motion to correct an error with the date of the previous meeting minutes from the November 8, 2019, FHC business meeting. Ms. Almy asked for a second. Dr. Smith seconded, and the motion to approve the minutes with this correction passed unanimously.

Item V. Chairman's Comments

Ms. Almy thanked the commissioners and members of the public for coming.

Item VI. Director's Comments

Ms. Almy recognized Dr. Tomlinson to give the Director's Comments. Dr. Tomlinson thanked the commissioners for their time and effort. She then provided updates on the legislative session,

the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission, the budget and grant funding, and the archaeological collections facility. Dr. Tomlinson concluded the Director's comments with several program highlights for the Florida Folklife and Historical Marker programs.

Item VII. Business Items

Ms. Almy recognized Mr. Berger to present the DMS memorials update. Mr. Berger provided background on the legislation and information on the memorials that have been approved. He then explained that DMS is seeking input on placement of these memorials from the FHC. Discussion ensued regarding questions the commissioners had on the level of input needed by DMS. The commissioners agreed that they would prefer having a better understanding of the space before making recommendations. Ms. Almy suggested that the FHC hold a web meeting to specifically discuss and provide recommendations. DMS said that they would provide the commissioners with a scaled map and photos.

Item VIII. Committee Reports

Ms. Almy recognized Dr. Glowacki to the Bureau of Archaeological Research report. Dr. Glowacki provided updates for each program area.

Ms. Almy recognized Ms. Lotane to give the Bureau of Historic Preservation report. Ms. Lotane provided updates for each program area.

Ms. Almy recognized Dr. Tomlinson to give the Grants Program report. Dr. Tomlinson provided updates and reminded the commissioners of upcoming dates for the grants cycles. Mr. Gonzalez had a conflict with the Special Category meeting dates, and the commissioners requested that a poll be sent out for the week of September 28th, 2020.

Item IX. Other Business

None.

Item X. Public Comment

None.

Item XI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

_____ Presiding Officer

_____ State Historic Preservation Officer and
Director, Division of Historical Resources

Approved: _____