

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MINUTES

A regular meeting of the City of Brenham’s Historic Preservation Board was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Brenham City Hall, Council Chambers, at 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

Board Members present:

Hal Moorman- Chair
Brad Tegeler
Jennifer Hermann
Rachel Nordt
Charles Keese

City Staff present:

Historic Preservation Officer Jennifer Eckermann
Tourism and Marketing Coordinator Nancy Joiner

Community:

Pressley Walcik
Mark Nordt
Noelle Nordt

Call meeting to Order

Chair Hal Moorman called the meeting to order.

Public Comments

None

Public Hearing

3. Public Hearing, discussion, and Receipt of Input Related to the Proposed Demolition of a Metal Structure Located at 103 West First Street, Brenham Texas

The Public Hearing was opened and closed when there was no public comment concerning the proposed demolition of the structure located at 103 West First Street, Brenham Texas.

Regular Session

4. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Approval of Minutes from March 28, 2022

The motion was made by Board member Charles Keese to approve the minutes with a second by Board member Jennifer Hermann.

The motion passed with voting as follows:

Hal Moorman	Yes
Brad Tegeler	Yes
Jennifer Hermann	Yes

Charles Keese	Yes
Rachel Nordt	Yes

5. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2023

The motion was made by Board member Brad Tegeler to approve the minutes with a second by Board member Jennifer Hermann.

The motion passed with voting as follows:

Hal Moorman	Yes
Brad Tegeler	Yes
Jennifer Hermann	Yes
Charles Keese	Yes
Rachel Nordt	Yes

6. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon a Certificate of Appropriateness for 103 West First Street, Brenham, Texas

This item was presented by Jennifer Eckermann, Historic Preservation Officer. The Certificate of Appropriateness application was received on Monday, July 24, requesting to demolish this structure, built circa 1912. The owner would like to demolish the building and plans to leave the lot vacant at the current time.

The Historic Preservation Ordinance covers demolition in Sec. 13-11, stating “demolition of a Historic Landmark or property within a Historic District, including secondary buildings, shall not be granted by the City’s Building Official without the review of a completed application and issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for demolition by the Board.”

A motion was made by Brad Tegeler to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness Application submitted by Pressley Walcik requesting the demolition of the structure located at 103 West First Street, Brenham, Texas and to waive the 60-day stay of demolition as outlined in Section 13-11 of the Historic Preservation ordinance (No. 0-21-016). Jennifer Hermann seconded the motion.

The motion passed with voting as follows:

Hal Moorman	Yes
Brad Tegeler	Yes
Jennifer Hermann	Yes
Rachel Nordt	Yes
Charles Keese	Yes

7. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon a Certificate of Appropriateness Application for 209 S. Market Street, Brenham, Texas

This item was presented by Jennifer Eckermann, Historic Preservation Officer. A Certificate of Appropriateness Application for construction of a structure covering a BBQ/smoker was presented to the Historic Preservation office Thursday, July 25. The structure, along with specific screening, is required by both building and fire codes.

The Application as presented does not meet code requirements.

A meeting with the property owner and tenant, along with Development Services, the city Building Official, Environmental Health Official, Fire Marshal, Public Works, and the Historic Preservation Officer was held July 31, 2023, and a follow-up meeting was held on-site with the business owner and Fire Marshall. A report of the meeting was presented to the Board, and Eckermann said she expects to receive an updated application.

The board passed on this item.

8. Administrative Report

This item was presented by Jennifer Eckermann, Historic Preservation Officer. She presented the terms of the Board as follows. Positions 1, 2, and 3 will expire in 2024 and include Board Members Tegeler, Hermann, and Keese. Positions 5 and 6 will expire on December 31, 2023, and include Board Members Moorman and Nordt with vacancies in Positions 4 and 7 that need to be filled. The Board and Commissions Subcommittee of the Council will be meeting soon to review procedures for those applying for Board positions. We will also have to select a Vice-Chair. A formal vote on the Vice Chair needs to take place once all positions are filled.

Administrative Certificate of Appropriateness:

- Brandi Conway replaced metal and glass doors in front of the former JH Faske building with the same materials.
- Adrienne Schwartz, owner of the Historic Laundry Building repaired the exterior plaster and repainted it with the same colors.

Eckermann gave the board members a list of items in the Ordinance that are the purview of the Board, and said that if there are items the members would like to pursue, they can be discussed in a Work Session at the next meeting.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Hal Moorman

Board Chair

11/28/2023

Date

ATTEST:

Nancy Joiner

Tourism and Marketing Coordinator

11/28/2023

Date