



**HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 19, 2011 5:00 PM**

The State of Texas §  
County of Anderson §  
City of Palestine §

The Historic Landmarks Commission of the City of Palestine, Texas met on Tuesday, April 22, 2011 5:00 p.m., at City Hall City Council Chambers, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas with the following people present:

Julie Abston, Chair  
Linda Williams, Commissioner  
Mary Alice Largent, Commissioner

Paul Priestner, Vice Chair  
Marti Moronko, Commissioner

Participated in a Discussion:  
Wendy Ellis, Economic Development Director  
Bun Price, Contractor

A quorum of the Historic Landmarks Commission was present.

**WORK SESSION – 4:00PM**

Work session cancelled.

**REGULAR MEETING**

The Historic Landmarks Commission of the City of Palestine, Texas began with the regular session on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 at 5:10 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 504 N. Queen Street, Palestine, Texas. Meeting called to order by Julie Abston.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Commission reviewed and discussed the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2011. Motion made by Linda Williams to approve the meeting minutes with the change that strikes the sentence that states Bun Price does not believe the building at the Tex-Ann Hotel has historic value to the building, seconded by Marti Moronko. Upon vote, motion passed unanimously 5-0.

## **REGULAR AGENDA-DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

Discussion and possible action for a Certificate of Appropriateness for 403 Main St. to replace store front and place wood canopy to protect the structure from weather. CA-11-05

Bun Price, applicant of CA-11-05, presented his rendering to the Historic Landmark Commission. Price would like to add a canopy to the structure, but was unable to find a picture of the building with a canopy in the past. The owner of the building has a problem with deterioration of the building to weather and sun. The purpose of the canopy is to protect the building. The canopy that will be added to the store front will be made of wood with a metal top and will be a neutral color. The canopy will not attach the brick.

Motion made by Linda Williams to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 403 Main St. to replace store front and place wood canopy to protect the structure, seconded by Marti Moronko. Upon vote, motion passed 5-0.

Discussion and possible action for a Certificate of Appropriateness for 301 E. Neches to add a privacy fence at the back of the property. CA-11-06

Marti Moronko recused herself from the meeting.

Bob Moronko spoke to the commission. He would like to place a privacy fence on his property starting at his back fence and coming up to the front of the car port. The fence will be about 50 ft. in length, 6 to 7 ft in height.

Motion made by Paul Priestner to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness for 301 E. Neches to add a privacy fence to the back of the property and to allow the fence to be 7 ft in height, if allowed by Development Services, seconded by Mary Alice Largent. Upon vote, motion passed 4-0.

Marti Moronko returned to the meeting.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Historic Preservation Ordinance

The discussion is postponed until the next meeting. No action taken.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

Update on THC CLG program

Matt Synatschk has replaced Derek Satchell at the Texas Historic Commission as State Coordinator for Community Heritage Development. After the Historic Preservation Ordinance is approved by the Historic Landmark Commission, it will be sent to him for approval by the THC.

Update on the Historic Preservation Officer Position

City Council denied the proposal made by Mike Ohrt, City Manager, to hire Scott Reynolds as the Historic Preservation Officer for the City of Palestine. Instead, they are going to reorganize departments and over the Historic Landmark Commission to Development Services.

## **COMMISSIONERS OFFICE HOURS REPORT**

Update on current projects and activities

Linda made a list of people that have not been asked if they would like a plaque for their historic home. The list starts from the last plaque given out and goes through to the newly approved local historic landmarks.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**1) Historic Preservation Ordinance**

A special meeting will be called next week to finish looking of the final draft of the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

**2) Education Committee**

Looking for projects for the committee.

**3) Design Committee**

None

**4) Public Relations/Communication Committee**

A) Beautification Award

109 Pine St.

B) Preservation Award

844 Tennessee Ave.

Motion made by Mary Alice Largent to approve 109 Pine St. for the Beautification Award and to approve 844 Tennessee Ave for the Preservation Award. Upon vote, motion passed 5-0.

**ADJOURN**

Adjourned at 5:45p.m.

  
Julie Abston, Chair

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