

Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission

Minutes

The meeting was held on Thursday, March 30, at 7 p.m., in the office of the Jefferson County Commission. Commission members Adams, Coyle, Crolius, Theriault, and Washington were present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

Crolius said that the Landmark Commission's draft Application for Designation as an Historic Landmark had been approved by Susan Pierce from the WV Dept. of Culture and History. Theriault agreed to revise the old form and send it to Washington as soon as possible. The Commission agreed to send a letter of explanation to all persons having buildings on the National Register in Jefferson County. The letter would outline the recent changes in legislation, the responsibility and authority of the Landmarks Commission, and the requirements and obligations related to Certificates of Appropriateness.

A draft newspaper article was revised for publication in the Spirit of Jefferson-Advocate.

Commission members noted the urgent need for an historic map overlay that identifies sites on the National Register as well as places noted on the 1973 architectural survey. Theriault estimated that such an overlay could be may for about \$500. The Commission agreed to send a letter to the Jefferson County Historical Society requesting money for this purpose. The Commission also expressed the need to educate both citizens and public officials about CLG's and the National Register, and they identified two audio/visual programs from the American Association of State and Local History on these topics. Theriault stated that if its projects are funded for 1989/1990, the Jefferson County Oral & Visual History Association would purchase the materials and make them available to the public.

Changes to the Landmark Commission's Rules were reviewed and approved. A public hearing on the rules will be held on May 11th, if possible.

The Commission voted 3 to 1 to send a letter opposing Frederick Cable Vision's plan to erect a tower on Bolivar Heights. (Coyle, Crolius, and Adams voted for the motion; Theriault against; and Washington abstained).

The next meeting is scheduled for April 20th. The discussion will focus on the relationship between the zoning ordinance and enabling legislation which permits the Landmarks Commission to designate areas as historic districts. The Planner and a member of the County Commission will be invited to attend.

The meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



William D. Theriault
Secretary