



Martin County

HISTORIC PRESEVATION BOARD

Meeting Minutes, 4:00 PM
2401 SE Monterey Road, Commission Chamber

Monday, April 20, 2026

PRESENT

Position	Name
Chair	Robert Steele
Vice Chair	Jacqui May
Members	William Weiss
	Terry Dooley
	Sherry Lee
	Joette Lorion Rice

ABSENT

Position	Name
Members	Evan Anderson
	Douette Pryce

STAFF PRESENT

Position	Name
HPB Liaison	Elise Raffa
Community Development Director	Susan Kores
Assistant County Attorney	Sebastian Poprawski
Commission Aide	Patricia Higginbotham

* Indicates a motion

** Indicates a vote

*** For the record comment

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD – APPROVAL OF AMENDED MARCH 16, 2026, MINUTES

MOTION

*Robert Steele moved for approval.

**Joette Lorion Rice seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - None

NEW BUSINESS

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD – PRESERVATIONIST OF THE YEAR

The nominees Barbara and Bruce Osborn, Paula MacArthur Cooper, and Harold Jenkins were discussed. The board members voted unanimously to select Barbara and Bruce Osborn as the 2026 Preservationists of the Year.

MOTION

*Robert Steele moved for approval.

**Sherry Lee seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD – PROPOSED HISTORY & CULTURE FAIR DURING HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

Jacqui May presented the results of her survey on the proposed History and Culture fair, which received 80% positive feedback from the surveyed group. The event will be held on May 31st from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Flagler Center. She will host this event and verify that the venue is available.

MOTION

*Sherry Lee moved for approval.

**Joette Lorion Rice seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD – 2026 HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

The Board reviewed the upcoming events for May's Historic Preservation Month.

COMMENTS

1. **Public** - Julie Preast: would like to have the history of The Flagler of Stuart possibly added to the flyer.
2. **Members** - None
3. **Staff** - None

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Recorded and prepared by:

Patricia Higginbotham, Commission Aide

Date

Robert Steele, Chair

Date

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