



Martin County

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

Meeting Minutes, 4:00 PM

2401 SE Monterey Road, Commission Chamber

Monday, June 15, 2026

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Position	Name
Members	Douette Pryce
	Terry Dooley

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 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 20, 2026

MOTION

* Joette Lorion Rice moved to approve meeting minutes as presented.

**William Weiss seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - None

NEW BUSINESS

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD – HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH 2026 RECAP

Elise Raffa presented a slideshow highlighting the key moments from Historic Preservation Month. Jacqui May showcased a slideshow that highlighted the History and Culture Fair. The Board agreed to include this event in the 2027 calendar. Board members discussed additional ideas for the 2027 Historic Preservation Month.

COMMENTS

1. Public - None

2. Members

- Sherry Lee would like the Board to consider holding the Historic Preservation Month in a different month next year.
- Jacqui May will poll the participants from this year.
- Rob Steele would like to know if Board members can be nominated for Preservationist of the Year.
- Joette Lorion Rice urged the Board to make it a priority to identify and designate more historic properties and requested that it be added as an agenda item for the next meeting. Joette suggested inviting Alayna Gould Kost from the Division of Historical Resources in Tallahassee and Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, the CRA Director of the City of Stuart, to present at a future Board meeting.
- Evan Anderson proposed a house for consideration on East Seaward Street in Port Salerno. Jacqui May will investigate this location.

3. Staff - None

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Recorded and prepared by:

Patricia Higginbotham, Commission Aide

Robert Steele, Chair

Date

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