



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Advisory Board Name:

Historical Commission

Meeting Dates and Attendance Records for 2025:

(See Attachment)

Accomplishments or Work Product for 2025:

- Florida Trust for Historic Preservation Workshop to discuss design guidelines and best practices for historic structures.
- Participated as a Consulting party for Cultural Resources for the Environmental impact Studies for SpaceX Starship-Super Heavy Operations at Cape Canaveral Space Force Station and Merritt Island.
- Consult with Cape Canaveral National Seashore on revised and new signage for the Mt. Zion Campbell/Jackson Cemetery.
- Continued work to find property to establish Brevard Heritage Park.
- Continue to advocate for historic preservation of historic sites.
- Publish latest edition of the Indian River Journal.

Recommendations or Suggestions for the Board:

- Request that members of the BCHC be allowed the opportunity to be more active in the planning and design of the BCHC website.



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Goals for 2026:

- Continue to compile stories as well as publication and distribution of the Indian River Journal.
- After the formation of the Open House Sub-Committee, work towards an open house event to advance awareness and public visibility of the BCHC.
- After the formation of the Sub Committee to create a 4th volume of Brevard County History focused on the area's black history, work towards seeking seed money for research and development in the 2026-2027 budget as well as collecting data.
- Review the list of ten (10) potential new state historical markers within and narrow down to a possible four (4).
- Continue to identify and record oral histories.



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Listing of Advisory Board Appointees and their Attendance/Absence at Scheduled Meetings:

Appointee	Appointed By: (District #/At-Large)	10/24/24	01/28/25	02/25/25	04/22/25	07/22/25	Meeting Date	Meeting Date	Meeting Date	Meeting Date
Paula Beckner	District I	Absent	No Quorum	Present	Present	Present				
Christopher Reynolds	District I	Present	No Quorum	Present	Absent	Absent				
Roz Foster	District I	Present	No Quorum	Present	Present	Present				
Stacy Landon	District II	Present	No Quorum	Present	Absent	Absent				
Brandon McKinney	District II	Present	No Quorum	Present	Present	Present				
Jack Ratterman	District II	Present	No Quorum	Present	Present	N/A				
George Kistner III	District IV	Present	No Quorum	Present	Present	Present				
Martha Loss Appointment ended 12/23	District IV	Present	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Jane Beach	District V	Present	No Quorum	Present	Present	Present				
Cindy Forestall	District V	Present	No Quorum	Present	Absent	Absent				
James Shackelford Appointed 04/25	District V	N/A	N/A	N/A	Present	Absent				
Walter Young Appointment ended 10/24	District V	Absent	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				