

**Minutes
Land Committee
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
9:00 a.m.
Via Teleconference**

Attendees:

Committee Members

Dwight Evans, Chair
Dwight Davis, Vice Chair
William Bagwell
Randy Dellinger
Patrick Denney
Bill Jones
Rob Leebern
Tim Lowe
Billy New
Bodine Sinyard
Miki Thomaston
Dee Yancey, Board Chair, Ex-officio

Board Members

Nancy Addison
Nick Ayers
Joe Hatfield
Duncan Johnson
Ray Lambert
Paul Shailendra
Gary Vowell

Staff Members

Mark Williams, Commissioner
Walter Rabon
Kyle Pearson
Kate Iannuzzi
Josh Hildebrandt
Cathy Barnette
Amber Carter
Artica Gaston
Courtney Hall
Thomas Barnard
Jeff Cown
Steve Friedman
Rusty Garrison
Doug Haymans

Richard Dunn, Director
John Eunice
Jac Capp
Karen Hays
Chuck Mueller
Laura Williams

The February 23, 2021 meeting of the Land Committee was called to order by Dee Yancey, Chairman of the Board of Natural Resources.

Chairman Yancey called on Dwight Evans, Chairman of the Land Committee. Mr. Evans called on Steve Friedman, Chief of Real Estate.

Mr. Friedman stated that Item A is requesting approval via Executive Order to demolish 3 lake cabins, a storage shed, and a pole barn on Panola Mountain State Park, Rockdale County, because they are a safety hazard to the public. He further stated that all structures have been abandoned for over 10 years and have a combination of broken or missing windows, leaking roofs, falling ceilings, and rotted floors beyond reasonable repair. He added the department attained a Photographic Permanent Archival Record (PAR) of the historic structures, and the Historic Preservation Division determined that the documentation adheres to the guidelines and addresses the significant impact associated with the demolition of the buildings.

Mr. Friedman stated structures of historical significance and/or 2,000 square feet and larger require an executive order authorizing their removal. He further stated that subject to receiving the executive order, the Department will remove the 3 lake cabins, storage shed, pole barn, and all debris from the site, and the area will be restored back to its natural state.

A motion was made by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Davis, and carried unanimously that the Committee recommend the Board adopt the Resolution to authorize the Commissioner to seek State Properties Commission approval via Executive Order to demolish 3 lake cabins, a storage shed, and a pole barn on Panola Mountain State Park, Rockdale County.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.