

Fairhope Historic Preservation Committee  
Monthly Meeting Notes

January 11 2023

9:30 a.m.

Fairhope History Museum

Attendance: Gary Gover, Mara Hunter, Amy Molyneux, museum liaison Gabriel Gold-Vukson (Museum Liaison)

Not Present: Skip Jones, Jay Robinson

Special Guests: Annie Sawyer Allen, and Elizabeth Williams

Call to order: Gary Gover, 9:31

**Discussion**

- Approve Minutes
- Special Guest Ann Sawyer Allen describes activities in Mobile Historic Preservation.
- African American History Event - tentative date March 4: Cooperative effort between Museum, FHPC, Library, and Hope Community/Fairhope Unite. Presentation on Fairhope's African American History and key historic sites.
- Discussion about investing in or encouraging a new Historic Fairhope Brochure that better reflects diversity in Fairhope. General agreement that updating the brochure would be good, and that FHPC funds could be used to support the effort, with city approval. More information needed, including discussion with appropriate city personnel and consideration of who would produce the brochure.
- Mayor Meeting with AHC Jan. 18: Gary Gover and Amy M. to attend.
- Close Encounters: Member of the Close Encounters Facebook group given a tour of the house by the Kleban team.
- Bayview/Fairhope Ave properties: Noted that the Bayview houses were slated for demolition, but without ordinance no ability to encourage preservation.
- Resolution encouraging city tax incentives for preserving historic structures via [Amendment 772](#). Discussion about how it might apply in limited circumstances.

Meeting ended: Gary Gover, 10:30 a.m.