



TERRELL PARK BOARD

**** SPECIAL MEETING ****

6:00 PM, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

**CITY OF TERRELL – SERVICE CENTER
400 INDUSTRIAL BLVD, TERRELL, TX 75160**

Mary McCoy
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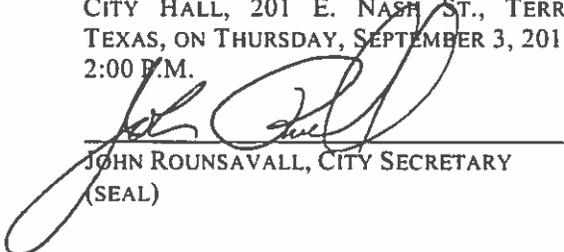
Chris Pearson
Member

Christy Gail
Member

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RAIL CAR RENOVATION
3. HEAR REMARKS FROM VISITORS
4. CONSIDER MOTION TO ADJOURN



I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT TERRELL CITY HALL, 201 E. NASH ST., TERRELL, TEXAS, ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2015 AT 2:00 P.M.



JOHN ROUNSAVALL, CITY SECRETARY
(SEAL)

Glenn Caldwell

From: Nancy Feaster [nancy.feaster@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2015 12:08 AM
To: Glenn Caldwell; Terrell Heritage Society
Subject: Rail Car landscape changes
Attachments: REAR VIEW.JPG; P1040843.JPG; SIDE VIEW.JPG; SIDE VIEW2.JPG; RAIL CAR FENCING EXAMPLES.docx; RAIL CAR APPRAISAL PER DR. MYERS.docx

Mr. Caldwell,

We at the Terrell Heritage Society are excited about the start of the renovations to the Rail Car in Lion's Club Park and we appreciate your presenting our ideas to the Park Board.

Wednesday, I attended the Lion's Club meeting and presented our ideas and the vote was unanimous to continue with this project.

We have secured the services of an experienced father and son team who have a great Rail Car restoration reputation (Dr. John Myers). However, prior to the restoration of the car itself, we want to secure it from further damage by vandals. We would like to accomplish this with the erection of an eight foot decorative and functional black wrought iron fence with spear tips. We will be completely enclosing the rail car and tracks and the railroad crossing sign. We plan on two passage gates at each end of the car and perhaps a larger work entrance gate.

As per Dr. Myers suggestion we would also like to extend the roof canopy approximately 6 - 8 feet on the west side only. This will help preserve the wood work Dr. Myers is scheduled to do.

Prior to the fencing, we would like to place maybe a half load of gravel at both ends of the tracks which protrude out and create a tripping hazard. Dr. Myers says this would be a standard thing to do at the end of a track.

During the west side wood replacement/refurbishment, we will also be removing the air conditioning window units, since they distract from the period look of the Rail Car. We inquired about replacing them with external, stand alone units but the size was overwhelming and really would not be aesthetically pleasing. We have decided to use portable internal air conditioning and heating units which can be vented through the floor. They will take up some internal space, but not enough to be significant.

Thank you for your help and I look forward to hearing from you.

Nancy Feaster
President,
Terrell Heritage Society
214/202-5453

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil, is that good men should do nothing." -- Edmund Burke

April 7, 2015

To whom it may concern:

Whereas, the Terrell Texas Heritage society is in possession of a certain railway car, more commonly known as Texas and New Orleans MW 224, and said car is displayed in a park in Terrell Texas. We have carefully examined said car internally and externally and found the following:

The body is of wood framing and erection. The outside has some wood that needs replacing, but is basically in very good condition for its age (approximately 125 years). The interior has been somewhat modified, but still maintains its historical flavor and is representative of the period. I have been restoring railway cars for over 35 years and am very familiar as to the historical value s of same. My appraisal value of said car 224 is around \$75,000 U.S. dollars in its present condition. If it were completely restored to a museum piece manner, its value would be above \$160,000.

S/S John J. Myers, J.D., PhD

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