

## Chapter 100 - HISTORICAL COMMISSION

### Sec. 100.1. - Creation of Historical Commission.

There is hereby created the Seminole County Historical Commission.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 1, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 1, 4-2-85)

### Sec. 100.2. - Appointment, qualifications and compensation.

The Historical Commission shall consist of 15 members, all of whom shall be selected by and serve at the pleasure of the Board of County Commissioners with three members being appointed by each District Commissioner.

- (a) The members shall serve two year terms to run concurrently with the calendar year.
- (b) One or more members of the Board of County Commissioners may be selected to serve as members of the Historical Commission.
- (c) In selecting citizens to serve on the Historical Commission, the Board of County Commissioners shall consider the interest of such citizens in the history and cultural lore and development of Seminole County.
- (d) The chairman of the Historical Commission shall be named by the Seminole County Historical Commission.
- (e) The members of the Historical Commission shall receive no compensation.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 2, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 2, 4-2-85; Ord. No. 88-13, § 1, 10-11-88)

### Sec. 100.3. - Time and place of meetings; adoption of rules and procedures.

As soon as practicable after this Chapter becomes effective, the Historical Commission shall meet at an appropriate place and shall arrange a time for holding regular meetings as shall be necessary, and the Historical Commission may adopt such rules of organization and procedure as it may deem necessary and determine the duties of its members and employees. The Historical Commission may, when necessary, appoint a person, without compensation, to be known as "County Historian".

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 3, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 3, 4-2-85)

### Sec. 100.4. - Duties of Historical Commission.

It shall be the duty of the Historical Commission to advise the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners on matters of historical interest concerning Seminole County that would allow the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners to carry out the following duties:

- (a) Collect, arrange, record and preserve historical material and data, including books, pamphlets, maps, charts, manuscripts, family histories, U. S. census records, papers and other objects and material illustrative of and relating to the history of Seminole County and of Florida; and
- (b) To procure and preserve narratives of the early pioneers, their exploits, perils, privations and achievements; and
- (c) To collect material of every description relative to the history of its Indian tribes and wars, and relative to its military, its schools and churches, industry and public and private professions and occupations.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 4, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 4, 4-2-85)

Sec. 100.5. - Advisory Functions of Historical Commission.

The advisory functions of the Historical Commission are:

- (a) The Historical Commission may recommend to the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners upon its own initiative or upon petition of municipalities or historical societies, that Seminole County mark by proper monuments, tablets or markers, the location of forts, Indian mounds, villages, camps or other places in Seminole County where historical events have occurred.
- (b) The Historical Commission may recommend that Seminole County acquire, restore, protect and preserve properties, sites, locations and places relative and pertinent to the history of Seminole County and Florida.
- (c) The Historical Commission may recommend, on its own initiative, that the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners on special occasions, or in conjunction with national, state and local holidays, promote, arrange, produce and conduct, expositions, celebrations and educational programs, concerning and touching upon the historical occasions, achievements and Pioneer Days of the people, citizens, local governments of Seminole County, the State of Florida and the United States of America, the colonists, and the founding fathers.
- (d) The Historical Commission may recommend that the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners, co-sponsor, promote, assist and jointly conduct historic site surveys, expositions, commemorations and celebrations, in conjunction and in cooperation with local, state and national societies, organizations and governmental agencies.
- (e) The Historical Commission may recommend that the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners publish and distribute books, pamphlets, newsletters and other publications, concerning national, state, county and local history, archaeology, historical genealogy, government institutions and societies, and concerning the programs, work, duties and operation of the Historical Commission.

- (f) The Historical Commission may promote and assist in the creation, program and work of local historical, archaeological and genealogical societies.
- (g) The Historical Commission may recommend that the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners, create, operate and maintain museums and public displays of archives and artifacts for the education of the general public and citizens of Seminole County.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 5, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 5, 4-2-85)

#### Sec. 100.6. - Expenses of Historical Commission

The Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized to pay the expenses of the Historical Commission out of the general fund of the County.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 6, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 6, 4-2-85)

#### Sec. 100.7. - Depository of materials.

The Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized to provide suitable and adequate space as a repository for the findings, collections and other material of the Historical Commission.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 7, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-4, § 7, 4-2-85)

#### Sec. 100.8. - Historical Commission Trust Fund Account.

There is hereby created a Seminole County Historical Commission Trust Fund Account.

- (a) The Trust Fund Account may accept and disburse gifts, grants and awards made to the Seminole County Historical Commission.
- (b) The Trust Fund Account is to be self-perpetuating from year-to-year unless abolished by the Board of County Commissioners.
- (c) The Trust Fund Account shall be for the use of Seminole County for purposes consistent with this Chapter.
- (d) Said gifts, grants and awards received from public and private donors shall be deposited in the Historical Commission Trust Fund Account herein created, and shall at all times be kept separate and apart from the general funds of the County such that they will inure to the use and benefit of the Historical Commission from time to time and from year to year.
- (e) Gifts, grants and awards not immediately used may be invested and reinvested to earn interest for increment in such investments and securities as may be permitted by law.
- (f) The Board of County Commissioners shall in its discretion determine a suitable bank or other repository for said funds, and shall approve same by resolution.
- (g) Funds not expended at the close of any fiscal year shall be carried forward into the next year.

- (h) Gifts, grants and awards to the said Historical Commission Trust Fund Account shall be received by the Seminole County Historical Commission, and delivered to the Seminole County Clerk of the Circuit Court, who shall deposit them as determined by subsection (f) of this Section. Said gifts, grants and awards shall be expended by the Clerk only upon receipt of a resolution duly adopted by the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners.
- (i) Any gifts, grants or awards received subject to a condition shall be expended strictly in accordance with such condition.
- (j) The books and records of the said Historical Commission Trust Fund Account shall at all times be open to public inspection; and shall be subject to county and state audit as required by law.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 8, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 8, 4-2-85)

Sec. 100.9. - Repeal of previous actions pertaining to Historical Commission.

Seminole County Ordinance No. 82-7 is hereby repealed, however the membership of the Historical Commission as composed on the effective date of this Ordinance shall continue to serve as a member until their current terms expire.

(Ord. No. 82-7, § 9, 4-6-82; Ord. No. 85-14, § 9, 4-2-85)