

Minutes of the Williamson County Historical Commission

A regular meeting of the Williamson County Historical Commission was held on May 8, 2014, in the Williamson County Courthouse at 710 Main Street, Georgetown, TX. Milton Liese served as Chair, in the absence of P.J. Stevens, and Barbara Glasscock served as secretary.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Members present: Mildred Davis, Kandy Dipprey, Dan Doss, Winnann Ewing, Barbara Glasscock, Ed Lansford, Milton Liese, George Meyer, Marietta Mugford, Mickie Ross, Laura Sue Smith, and David Voelter.

There was one guest present: Beverly Scott, a historian and a former board member of the Georgetown Heritage Society.

The Chair called for review of the April 2014 minutes. There was one typographical correction. Ed Lansford moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. Kandy Dipprey seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

Treasurer's Report:

Mildred Davis presented the treasurer's report. The bank balance as of April 30, 2014 is \$12,287.55. Kandy Dipprey moved that the treasurer's report be approved. Winnann Ewing seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

The budget committee met briefly prior to the meeting to go over the budget for the next fiscal year. The proposed budget will be presented to P.J. Stevens prior to the next meeting.

Old Business:

Kandy Dipprey brought up the issue of the need for a computer to be used by the treasurer, in order to prepare more efficient reports. The treasurer is currently using her personal computer, which is an Apple product that has proved cumbersome in generating reports and budget proposals. The WCHC has not received any answer from the county commissioners concerning a request for a used computer that the county is no longer in need of. There was \$500 included in the 2013-2014 WCHC budget for this purchase.

After some discussion Kandy Dipprey moved that Mildred Davis and someone knowledgeable of computers, such as Wayne Ware, look into the purchase of a lap-top computer. Laura Sue Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote. Mildred will contact Wayne for his assistance and report back to P.J. Stevens prior to purchase.

Committee Reports:

Markers –

Mickie Ross reported that people are already calling and asking questions about marker applications. When the forms become available, she will notify them.

Cemetery –

No report due to the absence of Wayne Ware.

Oral History –

Kandy Dipprey reminded interviewers to get the release form signed and take a picture of the interviewee.

Membership/Outreach –

Kandy Dipprey reported that she had received four more brick orders. Kandy voiced her concern of the delay in getting billing statements for the brick orders. Since she goes to the post office everyday for her personal mail, it would be of benefit for her to have a key to the WCHC mailbox to check for new brick orders and statements from Acme Brick Company. It would help in processing them in a more timely manner.

Laura Sue Smith moved that we obtain a second key for this purpose, with the approval of the Chair. Mildred Davis seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

Infrastructure –

None

New Business:

None

Announcements:

Mickie Ross reminded the WCHC of the upcoming Preservation Texas event. She will be attending.

Hopewell Middle School will host a Meet and Greet on May 16.

There were 1800 people in attendance at Pioneer Days last weekend.

On Tuesday, May 13, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., the Commissioners Court will present a Proclamation for Preservation Month. The WCHC is included.

The Williamson Museum will be conducting a tour of the IOOF Cemetery. This is a fundraiser for the museum. The focus will be on downtown buildings.

Mickie is in discussions with the Old Settlers Committee. They are wanting to include more things to do.

Clare Easley's sister passed away. Please remember her and her family.

Winnann Ewing has offered to host the June 12 meeting of the WCHC in her home at 105 East 5th Street, Georgetown. She is looking forward to sharing the history of this home. Milton Liese moved that WCHC accept her offer to host the next meeting. Kandy Dipprey seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

There will be no meeting in July.

Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.