

Minutes of the Williamson County Historical Commission

A regular meeting of the Williamson County Historical Commission was held on September 11, 2014, in the Williamson County Courthouse at 710 Main Street, Georgetown, TX. P.J. Stevens served as Chair and Barbara Glasscock served as secretary.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.

Members present were Mildred Davis, Kandy Dipprey, Dan Doss, Clare Easley, Barbara Glasscock, Milton Liese, Marietta Mugford, Mickie Ross, Laura Sue Smith, P.J Stevens., David Voelter, Mervin Walker, and Wayne Ware.

The Chair called for review of the August 2014 minutes. There was one correction. Clare Easley moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. David Voelter seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report:

Mildred Davis presented the treasurer's report. The bank statement balance as of August 31, 2014 is \$11,794.33. Clare Easley moved that the treasurer's report be approved. Kandy Dipprey seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

Mildred reported that the Williamson County Commissioners approved a budget request for the WCHC in the amount of \$1,000. The funds will not be transferred to the WCHC until receipts are submitted to the County Commissioners totaling \$1,000.

The new fiscal period starts on October 1.

Committee Reports:

Markers –

The First Baptist Church application has been turned in. The Klan marker will be dedicated on Tuesday, September 16, at 8:45 a.m. (prior to the County Commissioners Court meeting).

Cemetery –

Wayne Ware reported that he is still working with the family concerning the fence for the McNutt cemetery. He needs to find out more about the cost for a nice fence.

Wayne would also like to look into the possibility of some kind of county markers for historical cemeteries.

Oral History –

P.J. Stevens reported that he had interviewed Ed Lansford. He will be interviewing Laura Sue Smith soon.

Membership/Outreach –

Kandy Dipprey reported that she had received a note from Gumbo's Restaurant. They encouraged her to book soon if we wanted to have our Christmas dinner there in December. The WCHC members agreed to book Gumbo's for December 11, 2014.

P.J. reported that there are currently no bricks waiting to be installed.

Infrastructure –

The Chair received a letter from the Texas Department of Transportation concerning a project that may result in the replacement of the existing multiple box culvert over an unnamed tributary of Brushy Creek on FM 1466 east of Coupland in Williamson County. The current bridge class culvert was constructed in 1940 and widened in 1954. The bridge is not currently listed in the State's Historic Bridge Inventory database as eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. TxDOT is asking the WCHC to notify them if the bridge is significant at the local or regional level.

After review of the information, Mervyn Walker moved to confirm with TxDOT that the bridge has no local or regional significance. Milton Liese seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

New Business:

There was discussion concerning how often the WCHC should meet. The by-laws require six meetings per year. The WCHC has normally met more than required. This will be discussed again at a later meeting.

Announcements:

There will be a big street dance in Weir on September 27.

The courthouse was yarn bombed this morning.

Beverly Scott will be conducting a six-weeks class on writing memoirs.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Glasscock, Secretary.