

Minutes of the Williamson County Historical Commission

A regular meeting the Williamson County Historical Commission was held on September 12, 2013, 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 or order at 4:11 p.m.

Members present: Judie Bordic, Kandy Dipprey, Dan Doss, Lou Fullen, Margie Fullen, Barbara Glasscock, Ed Lansford, George Meyer, Mickie Ross, Laura Sue Smith, P.J. Stevens, David Voelter, and Wayne Ware.

There were no guests present.

The Chair called for review of the August 2013 minutes. Mickie Ross moved that the minutes be approved. Margie Fullen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

Treasurer's Report:

Mildred Davis was not present to present the treasurer's report, but it was submitted by email prior to the meeting. The bank balance as of September 8, 2013 is \$12,82785. Kandy Dipprey moved to accept the treasurer's report. Margie Fullen seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

Old Business:

None

Committee Reports:

Marker –

Mickie Ross reported that applications for historical markers will be accepted from September 1 to November 1. The THC will consider 180 applications this year. The focus for this year will be business, community and industry.

Two applications for Williamson County are ready to go: Norman's Crossing School and the Harper-Chesser House in Georgetown.

Mickie Ross and Bob Brinkman are working with the Lawrence family to reach an agreement on the Ad Lawrence and the Lawrence Chapel Cemetery applications. There needs to be two separate markers.

Mickie reported that they do not have a date for the dedication of the Klan marker. The cost will be about \$2000.

Cemetery –

Wayne Ware reported that he has not done much on cemetery clean up because of the heat. When the weather is cooler, he plans to work with the city on the IOOF cemetery in Georgetown.

He also has plans to talk to the THC about rules for historic cemeteries concerning gates, headstone repair, etc.

There is one cemetery he still trying to find. He is close to being finished with the marker pages on the website.

Membership –

Kandy Dipprey did not have anything to report.

Infrastructure -

None

Oral History –

An oral history training was held prior to the regular meeting led by William McWhorter of the Texas Historical Commission. The focus of the training was Texas in World War II: Fundamental of Military Oral History. It was a very interesting and informative session.

The Chair reported that Winnann Ewing is stepping down as chairman of the oral history committee. Judie Bordic will be taking her place. The Chair asked that Judie put together a committee of about four people to identify possible topics as the focus of our interviews. He would also like for the committee to outline some guidelines and compile a list of potential interviewees.

Announcements:

Mickie Ross reported that there will be a Genealogy State Conference held at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock on October 31, November 1 & 2. There are plans for the Williamson Museum to have a table at the conference. She offered for the WCHC to join them. Someone would need to be in attendance each day/all day.

She shared a list of upcoming events held at or sponsored by the Museum. One major event will be the Cattleman's Ball on October 19, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Glasscock, Secretary.