

## **Minutes of the Williamson County Historical Commission**

A regular meeting of the Williamson County Historical Commission was held on May 11, 2017 in the Williamson County Courthouse at 700 Main Street, Georgetown, Texas. P.J. Stevens served as Chair in the absence of David Ciambro. Barbara Glasscock served as secretary.

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

Members present were: Nancy Bell, Eloise Brackenridge, Mildred Davis, Kandy Dipprey, Dan Doss, Clare Easley, Winnann Ewing, Barbara Glasscock, Col. Shelby Little, George Meyer, Mickie Ross, and P.J. Stevens. The Chair informed the members that George Schumann has resigned from the WCHC.

There were no guests present.

The Chair called for review of the minutes of the April 13, 2017 meeting. Clare Easley moved that the minutes be approved. Winnann Ewing seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Nancy Bell reported that there is a balance of \$609.06 in the General Fund and \$6,734.72 in the Program Fund.

### **Old Business:**

Website Update – Nancy Bell reported that the Southwestern University intern is no longer working on the project. Nancy is almost finished with the historical marker input to the website.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Markers –**

Mickie Ross reported that several people have requested help with historical marker applications.

Col. Little has reviewed the schematic for brick placement around the courthouse.

#### **Cemeteries –**

George Meyer said that he has been helping Wayne Ware with cemetery clean up.

A DAR group helped with cleaning a private cemetery. Wayne suggested that they might adopt that cemetery.

### **Oral History --**

Winann Ewing has talked to a Baylor professor concerning a workshop on conducting oral histories. She has sent out feelers to other CHC's to see if there is any interest in joining us for this workshop, maybe during the summer.

Eloise Brackenridge is working with the Taylor Historical Society on up to ten oral histories of historical homes in Taylor. There will be pictures and histories.

### **Membership/Outreach --**

Mildred Davis and Kandy Dipprey did brick promotions at the Red Poppy Parade Watch sponsored by the Williamson Museum. They will try to get some publicity in the city and county publications such as the Impact, Georgetown View, Advocate and others.

### **Infrastructure -**

Dan Doss reported that there is nothing going on concerning bridges right now.

### **Announcements --**

Mickie Ross said that the Williamson Museum has a lot going on in the month of May: May 13, Preservation Day; May 17, book signing of 10 DOLLARS TO HATE; May 20, Marking History in the Courthouse 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. They had a big for the Chisholm Trail Event. The Williamson Museum on Chisholm Trail will be open on Saturdays during the summer starting on June 3 at 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Col. Little reported that HB 1359 Protection Act should be voted on today by the House of Representatives. HB 2224 did not make it out of committee. He said there will a dedication ceremony for Civil War Veterans at the Lawrence Chapel Cemetery on May 20.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Glasscock, Secretary.