Burnet County Historical Minutes

October 3, 2023

The Burnet County Historical Commission (BCHC) met in regular session October 3, 2023 at 1:00PM.

Those in attendance include:

Members:

Chairman-Rachel Bryson, Vice Chairman-Polly Krenek, Secretary-Terri Burger, Treasurer-Carolyn Liles, Jane Knapik, Mary Ellen Keith, Lynda French, Lela Goar, Florence Reeves, Al Downing, Tommy Potts, Billy Hutson

Prospective Members:

Michael Ritchie, Debbie Holloway

Guests:

Delbert Cain-visiting former BCHC member, Suzanne Freeman of the Picayune

The meeting was called to order, opened with the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

Lela Goar, Chairman of the Certified Local Government (CLG) and Rachel Bryson attended the Preservation Texas Summit, sponsored by Texas Historical Commission (THC) in San Marcos on September 21st. Information on the CLG Program was distributed to attendees at the BCHC meeting. There are 78 CLGs in Texas, consisting of 60 cities and 18 counties.

Minutes from September 5, 2023 were approved as read with correction to the date of the Briggs School House 100th anniversary, correct dates are September 21 & 22, 2023.

The Financial report was shared by Carolyn Liles. She continues to work with the County for a more detailed report. October starts a new fiscal year.

Legends of the Fall event in Cottonwood Shores is scheduled for November 4, 2023. Debbie Holloway was present to give us an update on plans for this year. It is now a one day event, hours are 10:00 am until 6:00 pm. BCHC will have a booth at the event, volunteers are needed.

Stringtown Cemetery project was discussed and items include: -survey by landman

- -Michael and Nicole Ritchie visited Cemetery obtained photos and completed write-up
- -identified property owner Al Downing
- -Lela working on CLG grant, in beginning stage
- -Polly has name for individual who does ground piercing radar
- -motion made for a Non-interpretive Historical Plague, seconded and approved

Jane Knapik shared Texas history between 1836 (Texas declared independence from Mexico, became a nation) and 1864 (states involved in Civil War).

Discussion of process on Buchanan Dam Burnet County marker.

New BCHC members need to complete the Open Meeting Act training and inform Secretary when completed. Training is available on THC site.

BCHC meetings must be posted on County Clerks website 72 hours prior to the meeting date.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM. Next meeting is on November 7th, 2023 at Herman Brown Library in Burnet.

Rachel Bryson, Chairman

Terri Burger, Secretary