Burnet County Historical Minutes

December 5, 2023

The Burnet County Historical Commission (BCHC) met in regular session December 5, 2023 at 1:05 PM.

Those in attendance include:

Members:

Chairman-Rachel Bryson, Vice Chair-Polly Krenek, Secretary-Terri Burger, Jane Knapik, Lela Goar, Al Downing, Billy Hutson, Tommye Potts, Danielle Meredith, Doak Field, Jim Luther, Blair Manning

Prospective Members:

Michael Ritchie, Debbie Holloway

Guests:

Raymond V. Whelan-Burnet Bulletin, Suzanne Freeman-Daily Trib.com

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

Commissioner Luther recognized the Celebration of Relocation of 1936 Marker to Courthouse Lawn on Dec. 12 at 11:00 AM, refreshments at Burnet County Historical Jail following the event.

Minutes from November 7, 2023 were approved as read with two corrections. Judge Oakley identified correctly as member. Added reference to Old Cook Home Marker, erected in 1968 by State Historical Survey Committee (Marker number 9707).

Stringtown Cemetery Project

- -successful cleanup on Nov 11, found log pull in cleaning process, will be given to Al Downing
- -additional cleanups will be planned in the future
- -discussion by Precinct 3 Commissioner Wall concerning widening of road to cemetery. Let Al Downing know prior to widening of road `
- -Lela Goar contacted by Bob Ward about Freedom Colonies, wanted to tour Stringtown, Liberty Hill's Black Cemetery, old schools in area. Identified several cemeteries and schools for them to tour, currently being planned. Lela received an Oral History book, will give to Library as how to do Oral History's

Report from Standing Committee Chairman:

CLG- Lela Goar, THC will not attend Marker Dedication next week due to Untold Marker process, request for Untold Marker

submitted decisions due in January

TX Ranger Cross -Tommye Potts, identified John Ross Alexander, former Texas Ranger, gravesite located in Alexander Family Cemetery near Lampasas

Texas Historical Markers-John Potts (update by Tommye Potts)
Inscription approved by Marker Committee on the Buchanan Dam,
Burnet County,TX marker

New Business:

Lela Goar-request to review the approval process of future inscriptions for Markers

Nicole Westhoff-introduced herself, owner of Westicke Properties which restores older homes, in process of restoring Vandeveer House

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM. Next meeting January 2, 2024 at 1:00 PM at the Herman Brown Library in Burnet.

Rachel Bryson, Chairman

Terri Burger, Secretary