



Collin County Historical Commission  
Collin County Courthouse  
2100 Bloomdale Road  
McKinney, TX

Date 04.28.2016

Heard Craig Carriage House  
205 West Hunt, McKinney  
6:30 PM

Becky Airhart-Smith, Valdasta  
Alfredo Arias, Celina  
Michael Black, Vice Chair  
Larry Collins, Grants  
Naomi Emmett, Treasurer\*  
Joy Gough, State Markers\*  
Linda Hess, Josephine\*  
Donna Jenkins  
Rick Joosten  
Clyde Kerley, Lakes Trail  
Lolisa Laenger, Cruises  
Michael Mendenhall, Workshops  
Diane Miller, Melissa  
Janice Quick, Plano  
Paula Ross, Chairman  
Loydell Seward, Historic Assets Survey  
Jan Thatcher, Secretary  
Marianne Wells  
Eric Nishimoto, Liaison

Absent\*

### **Public Comments:**

The Frisco Heritage Museum presents “Saturday at the Museum” on Saturday April 30, 2016, starting at 9:30. The topic will be “Founding Mantua, TX-From Settlement to Ghost Town”. The Speaker will be Randolph W Farmer, a native Texan and a descendant of one of Texas First Families.

For those that weren’t able to attend Rough Riders game, which was the county’s “volunteer appreciation” event, hats are available.

Marianne Wells and Paula Ross are scheduled to attend a Texas Historical Commission event in Aledo on May 7, 2016. The goal is for Collin County to be noticed by the THC and possibly to think of us as a possible THC workshop destination.

**Minutes:** Accepted as presented.

**Treasurer's Report: Year to date** out of the adjusted budget of \$50,905 for the Historical Commission; \$9,103.45 has been paid out or encumbered for future payment. This leaves a balance of \$41,801.55. We have spent 17.88% of our budget. We are in balance with the county.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Grants:** Thursday, May 5, 2016 at 7pm, is the mandatory meeting for grant applicants. At the last Coalition meeting, applications were distributed. Coalition leaders received the grant information early so participants would be prepared. Applications must be submitted by 5 pm June 3, 2016, delivered to the Courthouse in McKinney. This is the eighth year grants have been distributed and since 2009 when \$10,000.00 was the budget, the Grant Committee had disbursed 86 grants totaling \$171,650.00.

**County Markers:** A marker dedication for the Cumberland Church which was adjacent to Elm Grove Cemetery on Sunday, May 1. Refreshments will be provide at the Rosemond Church after the dedication.

**Workshops:** A few surrounding counties responded to Paula Ross' email asking for a get together/possible workshop in the near future. The date is open but the time frame will be between the end of June to the first of August.

**Historical Assets Survey:** One site was submitted to the county for upload. Brochures were passed out at the last Coalition Meeting. The goal is to distribute them throughout the county, placing the information in local libraries and city halls to educate county residents of the historic treasures within Collin County.

**Cruise:** The cruise was a big success. The bus was full with a waiting list for another tour. The areas of Van Alstyne and Anna have been notified of another tour later on. In Anna, a proclamation was read by Gary Hughes, Ted Wright spoke. Daughters of the Republic and Dotters of the Confederacy both recognized Collin McKinney and what he did for the state.

**Texas Film Round-Up:** The date for the public showcase has been rescheduled for Sunday, September 18, 2016, from 2-4 pm at the Roy and Helen Memorial Library in McKinney. The committee, consisting of Janice Quick, Lolisa Laenger, Clyde Kerley and Diane Miller, met to review and select the videos to show at the public event.

**Preservation Celebration:** All Purchase Orders have been submitted. The final details have been addressed: Invitations have been ordered and mailed. All program participants have been identified. The committee will meet for a final check next week. There were 23 names of individuals and groups submitted for awards to be given out at the celebration. That is an all-time high.

**Communications:** We have 82 followers on Twitter (CCHC2015). Six pictures were re-tweeted from the Collin McKinney celebration on Saturday, April 16. There were 18 likes for the pictures. May 1, 2016 we will also be linked to FaceBook and Instagram.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25.  
Respectfully submitted,

Jan Thatcher  
Secretary