



Minutes of the Collin County Historical Commission

The Landing, Myers Park,
7117 Co Rd 166, McKinney, Texas 75071
January 29, 2025, at 10: 00am

Item No. 1 Call to Order

Eric Hogue, Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Item No. 2 Roll call and Volunteer hours

The following **members were present:** Mary Kaye Adams, Joy Gough, Andy Howard, Linda Hess, Eric Hogue, Harold Sickler, Janet Stovall, Jennifer Wakefield, Marianne Wells, Jane Yancey, Brittany Yurkovitch

Collin County Staff present: Jennifer Rogers, Judy Moody

Absent members: Misty Wiebold, Elden Baker

Volunteer hours totaled: 914

Item No.3 Public Comments

None

Item No. 4 Presentation: Heritage Association of Frisco Grant Report

Donna Anderson presented the grant report on behalf of the Heritage Association of Frisco. The \$4,413.00 grant funded a project to properly store the textiles in their collection using the knowledge from the 2022 Textile Workshop. Items that were damaged were properly treated and items were properly stored and organized.

Item No: 5 Consider, and act upon, approval of October 30, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Action Item: Janet Stovall made a motion to approve the October 30, 2024 minutes which was seconded by Jane Yancey. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Item No. 6 **Consider, and act upon, approval of CCHC Monthly Financial Report**

Year to Date: With a budget of \$49,900.00 and total expenditures of \$7,529.99 there is \$42,370.01 remaining in our 2024/25 budget.

Action Item: Jane Yancey made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report which was seconded by Harold Sickler. The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.

Item No.7 **Consider, and act upon, approval of the CCHC Budget FY 2024/2025**

Discussion: Request for clarifying details in assessing differences between the Treasurer Report and Budget due to reorganization of committee responsibilities. For example, the previous "meeting places" item falls under the Education committee due to the committee absorbing the Coalition. Members would also like to clarify expenses between Preservation Celebration and the Awards.

Jane Yancey proposes to table the motion to vote on the budget for next month which was seconded by Harold and was approved unanimously.

Item No.8 **Staff Liaison updates**

Judy: Three county markers have been ordered and CCHC will receive updates as to what the status on production. Updated CCHC member and vacancy list distributed. Requests have been made for extra "Museums of Collin County." The pamphlets need to be updated and a plan for distributing them will be discussed at a future meeting.

Jennifer: Attended the 11/13/2024 Webinar for National Alliance of Preservation Commissions which discussed several topics including the concern of properties demolished by neglect. This issue in high-development areas highlights the need to promote the tax abatement program, develop an inventory of potential historic properties, stay current with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and ensure the ethics and management of county commissions.

CCHC members need to access the Google drive and ensure they can get in. Members need to sign up for a month to back up their CCHC business files to the google drive from their home computer.

Item No. 9 **Preservation Celebration update**

Invitations and programs have been drafted and details are being finalized for Preservation Celebration in Frisco. Please report any errors on printed materials to Janet Stovall. Projected expenses look to be around \$3500. Decision needs to be made about next year's Preservation Celebration location.

Item No. 10 **Consider and act upon Tax Abatements**

Discuss of new properties and existing properties on the tax abatement list. There are 10 properties recommended for denial of tax abatement.

Joy Gough made a motion to accept the denial report as presented and was seconded by Jane Yancey. The motion was approved unanimously.

Janet Stovall made a motion to accept the approved property tax abatement which was seconded by Joy Gough.

The motion was approved with two members (Lillie Miller and Marianne Wells) abstaining from voting.

Item No. 11 January Coalition Meeting Recap

Discussion: The January Coalition meeting had a great turnout. There were nine commission members and multiple historical groups across the county in attendance including a county steward from the Texas Historical Commission. Preservation Celebration and the awards application was discussed with the Coalition members. There was a request at the meeting for a CCHC calendar. Members are asked to submit dates so that a master calendar can be published to the website.

Item No. 12 Upcoming county events

Farmersville Historical Society Spring Luncheon, "Gala of Roses at the Farmersville Derby" is March 15th at the Farmersville High School at 11:00 am.

The celebration for the unveiling of the Texas Historical Marker for Sugar Hill is March 29th near the Yeary Cemetery on Merit Road at 10:00 am.

The celebration for the unveiling of the Texas Historical Marker for Gussie Nell Davis is May 17th at the First Baptist Church in Farmersville at 2:00 pm. with the unveiling of the marker on the square.

Item No 13. Adjourn

Janet Stovall adjourned meeting at 11:20a.m.