



Minutes of the Collin County Historical Commission

Collin County Commissioner's Court,
4th Floor, 2300 Bloomdale Road, McKinney, Texas
March 25, 2026, at 10:00a.m.

Item No. 1 Call to Order

Eric Hogue, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Item No. 2 Roll call and Volunteer hours

The following members were present:

Donna Anderson, Kay Baird, Eric Hogue, Andy Howard, Susanne Kerley, Lillie Miller, Renaé Ollie, Harold Sickler, Deborah Stewart, Marianne Wells, Jane Yancey

Collin County Staff present:

Russell Schaffner, Nicole Gillespie, Kenzie Frantz

Absent members:

Mary Kaye Adams, Janet Stovall, Misty Weibold

Volunteer hours totaled: CCHC: 456 Outside hours: 327 Total: 783

Item No.3 Public Comments

None

Item No.4 Consider and act upon approval of the February 25, 2026 CCHC meeting minutes

Action Item: Kay Baird made a motion to approve the minutes with a correction to the attendance list removing Linda Hess. The motion was seconded by Andy Howard. The minutes were approved.

Item No. 5 Consider, Act upon and Approve the CCHC Monthly Financial Report

Year to Date: With a budget of \$49,900.00 and total expenditures of \$230.92 there is \$49,669.08 remaining in our 2026 budget.

Action Item: Harold Sicker made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report which was seconded by Renaé Ollie. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Item No. 6 **Presentation on the Wall of Heroes Project for the CCHC**

Harold presented the Wall of Heroes Project which would use a mobile kiosk to travel throughout Collin County as a portable digital tribute exhibit highlighting Medal of Honor recipients and those killed in the line of duty from the county. This would complement the work already done by Colin Kimball and the North Texas Fallen Warriors Project (NTFWP) on display in the Collin County Courthouse. Harold will contact Colin for permission to use the digitized information he has already collected, which will accelerate the timeline for the launch as the research is already done. This kiosk will not require Wi-Fi. Guests will be able to access a QR code for each hero's profile and download a digital memorial directly to their phone.

Additionally, CCHC will seek corporate funding to underwrite the cost of the mobile exhibit as well as provide funding for frames and other supplies for the NTFWP static exhibit in the Collin County Courthouse.

Item No. 7 **Preservation Celebration Committee Update**

The committee members will follow up with Misty on the status of the invitations, which should be sent out as soon as possible. The event is scheduled for April 25, 2026, 9:30 a.m. at Farmersville High School.

Item No. 8 **CCHC/Preservation Celebration Annual Awards Committee Update**

The committee presented the nominees for the upcoming awards:

- Living Legacy of Collin County: Linda Hess
- Young Visionaries Award: Reed Foley
- Excellence in Historical Education: LaCinda Russell
- Leadership in Preservation: Tyler Hoskins
- Collin McKinney Achievement Award: Interurban Rail Car 360 Restoration

Discussion regarding clarification for some awards followed.

Andy Howard made the motion to approve, Kay Baird second the motion. The item was approved.

Item No. 9 **Adjourn**

Eric Hogue adjourned meeting at 10:53 a.m.