Salado Historical Society Minutes

Revision A

Feb. 10, 2018

Meeting Place: The Barton House

**Board members in attendance**: Becky Butscher, Judy Fields, Hulda Horton, Andy Jackson (Membership), Jeannie Lively, Dena Parks, Linda Reynolds, Cathy Sands, Bonnie Smith (New Member), Gary Stripling (Secretary), Knox Tyson (Treasurer), Sandi Wicker (President), David Williams

Not in attendance: Bill Kinnison (Prev. President)

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**:

A special Thanks to the owners of the Barton House, Lydia and Clinton Harwell, for hosting the SHS Board Meeting this month and for providing OUTSTANDING horderves.

The meeting was called to order by President, Sandra Wicker at 6:00 pm.

**II. PRAYER**:

Prayer was given by Andy Jackson.

**III. APPROVAL of MINUTES**: Minutes of the October, 2017 Meeting were previously emailed out to the Board and were unanimously approved at the February, 2018 meeting.

There were no SHS Board meetings held in Nov. 2017, Dec. 2017, or Jan, 2018, thus the jump in Meeting Minutes from Oct. 2017 to Feb. 2018.

**NEW BOARD MEMBER**: Sandi introduced Bonnie Smith to the Board members present and recommended she be added to the SHS Board. Motion was made and seconded and a unanimous vote is recorded. Welcome to the Board Bonnie.

**IV. TREASURER’S REPORT-** Knox Tyson was unanimously re-elected as 2018 SHS Board Treasure after a motion was made by Judy Fields and seconded by Hulda Horton. Knox reported the SHS Board made $4,510.00 after expenses on the 2017 Christmas Home Tours. He reported that the SHS Board account had a closing balance of $12,357.00 at the end of Nov. 2017, a closing balance of $16,129.56 at the end of Dec. 2017, and a closing balance of $15,704.31 at the end of Jan. 2018. In addition, the SHS’ CD has a current value of 10,161.06.

**V. CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR:** Cathy Sands reported that the Home Tour was very successful thanks to all the volunteers and the homeowners who made EXCELLENT preparations for the public to tour their homes. She reported that with all the positives this year there was a decline in interest and overall attendance was down. Sandi suggested that in lieu of The 2018 Christmas Home Tours, the SHS consider a new venue. Sandi recommended that we have one “Holiday House” as a fund raiser with local vendors paying for space in the Holiday House. A possibility could be the 8 room Halley House.

**ACTION:** *Linda, Becky, and Sandi took the action to determine the possibility of this change for 2018.*

**VI. OLD SALADO DAYS:** Jeanie Lively reported that the Salado Library is organizing a weekend entitled “Texas History in Salado” on Jun 8-10. So far she has the Library, The Museum, Antique Shops, and other potential sponsors interested and asked if the SHS wanted to be included in the event. She suggested that SHS could use the SHS Cabins as their focal point and could have demonstrations of how things used to be done.

This is an initial small event that will allow the Library to apply for a GRANT in 2019 to help fund a larger event. Jeanie pointed out that a decision needed to be made quickly since publicity is being printed with the name of the organizations involved.

**VII. PROGRAM COMMITTEE:** Hulda Horton reported that she has reserved the Church dining room for the March 5, 2018 SHS Membership covered dish dinner. This event will be in lieu of the SHS Board Meeting for March. Each SHS Board member is to bring a covered dish for the meeting. Sandi announced the Speaker’s subject will be the History of the Gault Archaeological Site.

**VIII. APPOINT COMMITTEE CHAIR -**

1. **Archiving-**Jeannie Lively, Judy Fields, Sandi Wicker
2. **Awards-**Cathy Sands

The following was previously confirmed as the potential List of Potential Landmark Awards:

1- The Shed,

2- The Rue House

3- The Museum (may already have a marker)

**c. Cabins/Cemetery-**Becky Butscher, Gary Stripling

**Cabins-*The Hutchen’s Writer’s Cabin:*** Gary reported the following

 Remaining Exterior (EXT) and Interior (INT) items to be completed:

1. EXT-adding trim boards under the eaves on each end,
2. EXT-replacing the chimney cap,
3. EXT-setting of the circular stone cistern cover on a pedestal,
4. EXT-extending the cabin site pathway to the entrance to the cabin,
5. EXT-installing the new cabin sign.
6. INT-resetting the loose fireplace bricks,
7. INT-installing trim boards around the interior perimeter
8. INT- finalizing the selection of interior furnishings: a small desk, chair, army cot, overhead light, typewriter.

**Cabin Sign:** *Sandi Wicker took the action of having sign made for the Hutchen’s Cabin similar to those at other historical locations in Salado. It was agreed to pursue this approach.*

**Cabin Dedication:** *Sandi also discussed planning a future Writer’s Cabin Dedication and is requesting volunteers to clean up the cabin site.*

**Cabins-Land Lease Renewal-***Andy Jackson took the action to determine if the Cabin Site Land Lease renewal is required.*

**Cemetery-** The Salado Cemetery Tour will be in October

1. **Finance:** KnoxTyson (see Treasurer’s Report above)
2. **Fund Raising:** All

**f. Historic Preservation-**Linda Reynolds, David Williams

**g. Public-Affairs-Publicity-**Andy Jackson

**h. Tours-**Judy Fields

**i.** **Web-site- TBD**

**j. News letter / Communications-**Bonnie Smith

**k. Memorials: TBD**

**IX. OLD BUSINESS-**Gary Stripling previously brought up the item below that remain to be addressed as Old Business.

**a.** P**ublishing a Quarterly Newsletter:** to keep the SHS members informed. Sandi previously requested the Board members take this into consideration with further discussion at the next meeting.

**X. NEW BUSINESS:** no new business

**XI. MISCELLANEOUS / VILLAGE ACTIVITIES:** no specific Village activities reported at this meeting.

**XII. MISSING BOOKS !!!** Sandi Wicker requested any information related to the lost box of Texas History books that belonged to her. Please contact Sandi if you have any information.

**XIII. ADJOURN**

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