

Salado Historical Society  
Board of Directors Meeting

October 5, 2020, Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 6 p.m.

This is the first meeting broadcast over “Zoom” with the assistance of John Newman. The Zoom link was emailed to the membership. There was a 40 minute time limit.

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. Cathy Sands gave the opening prayer.

Members in physical attendance were Judy Fields, President; Bonnie Smith, Treasurer; Hulda Horton, John Newman, Becky Butscher-Norwood, Cathy Sands, Sandi Wicker. Member attending was Kathy Michaels. Attending by Zoom was Gary Stripling, VP, and Bill Kinnison, member.

Minutes of the last membership meeting in March 2020 were approved. These can be seen on the web site.

Bonnie Smith submitted the treasurer’s report for filing and audit. Current balances are: Checking - \$7,853.65 Savings - \$10,266.98 These agree with the current bank statements.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Cathy Sands reported that 4 narrative plaques have been purchased for 4 locations along Main Street. The Awards Committee plans to have a formal presentation ceremony in February 2021. Presentation has been delayed because of Main Street construction and COVID.

Cabins: Becky Butscher-Norwood reported that the electrical supply line to the cabins had been buried and brought to code by SISD for \$895. Security lights at the cabins were repaired for \$92. That left \$513 of the \$1,500 budgeted for the cabins.

Christmas Home Tour: Judy Fields reported for Shirley Lett that the tour for 2020 had been cancelled because of COVID.

Finance: Bonnie Smith gave each attending member a copy of the current 2020 Budget and offered to email to any interested member. A line item for Miscellaneous Expenses was added by vote. This item would cover any expense incurred for the Zoom Meeting. Cleaning of the meeting facility will come under programs. Request for copy of budget to [bvsmith129@yahoo.com](mailto:bvsmith129@yahoo.com)

Programs: Hulda Horton reported no programs were planned as the membership meeting in November had been cancelled because of COVID. She said she would miss cooking her famous “chili” for everyone.

Nominating Committee Report: *The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members: Four members shall be chosen by the Board of Directors – two from among their own number and two from the membership at large. The fifth person is the immediate past president and chairperson.* Sandi Wicker, immediate past president and chairperson of the Nominating Committee, reported only one nomination for president (Bill Kinnison) and suggested having two vice presidents on the ballot. (*Two vice presidents cannot be on the ballot without a change in the by-laws*) Judy Fields was asked to serve as president again but she declined. Bonnie Smith was asked to be secretary/treasurer. She declined the secretary position as she has one more year as treasurer and is in need of help with membership tracking. A **plea** was extended to the membership watching over “Zoom” to email Sandi Wicker with any nominations. Nominations may be emailed to: [ssandiwicker@aol.com](mailto:ssandiwicker@aol.com) or [hansfields76571@gmail.com](mailto:hansfields76571@gmail.com) These positions are open: President, Vice President, Secretary, and 4 Board of Director positions. *As stated in the Constitution and By-Laws, the terms of the eleven non-officer directors shall be overlapping so that four are elected by the members at the annual meeting of the Society; except that, three will be elected in the year in which the Treasurer is elected.* The treasurer position comes up for election in November 2021. **If you are a member in good standing and willing to serve as a director or officer position in 2021, please contact Sandi Wicker or Judy Fields by the end of October.**

Old Business – There was no further old business

New Business – Judy Fields explained the reason for the “Zoom” meeting and thanked John Newman for making it possible. A line item for covering any expenses was added to the 2020 budget.

Bonnie Smith made a motion to make Hulda Horton an honorary member. Sandi Wicker seconded the motion. The present BOD voted in favor. Sandi Wicker made a motion to make Pete Stebbins an honorary member and Cathy Sands seconded the motion. The present BOD voted in favor. These two members will not pay yearly dues any longer.

A **proposed amendment** to the Constitution and By-Laws was made by Bonnie Smith. This **proposed amendment** is submitted in writing to the Board of Directors with these minutes. It will be voted on at the next called meeting.

**Article IV, Meetings: (Add Section 4:) Cancelled Meetings – In the event of a national shutdown, the President shall notify each member of the Board either personally, by mail, by email, or by telephone of the cancellation of the monthly meetings. Necessary activities such as paying bills, etc. shall**

**continue through the treasurer and be submitted as a monthly report to the members of the Board.**

The meeting was adjourned within the 40 minute time limit.

**Reminder to Committee Chairs:**

Under the By-Laws, Article VIII, Standing Committees, Section 5:

All committee chairs shall submit year-end Committee Reports in writing to the Secretary at least two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting. These reports are to be incorporated in the permanent record and distributed to the Board Members and appropriate Committee Chairpersons at the January meeting of each year.

*(Year-end reports are to be submitted to the current President in the absence of Secretary).*