

## CALHOUN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Minutes for 13 June 2017

**Present:** John Kassner, Steve Koch, Robert Loflin, John Meitzen, Mary Belle Meitzen, Jim Munro, Gary Ralston, Avril Sassman, Walter Spiller.

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by CCHC Chair Robert Loflin at 6:30 pm.

**Invocation: John Meitzen**

**Pledges of Allegiance: John Kassner**

**Quorum: A quorum was met**

**Minutes: 9 May 2017 minutes approved**

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion **approved** as posted with the following addition. It was noted that \$400 was designated to assist museum for labor in file preparation. and that \$800 was designated for funding lens restoration. 2018 budget sent to County – same as last year.

**Correspondence noted: None received**

**Transportation:** This is an important focus this year. Indianola Railroad is the Commission's only major action item. Discussion of local railroad developments in this county. They were never a real success. Walter Spiller will give Chair info about railroads that he has developed over the last several years. Photo of Clark station will be taken and sent into the State, along with larger packet of materials on the railroads in the County.

**Markers:** Mary Belle Meitzen attended a webinar on markers. The City will make a sign for cemetery at request of Commission. The State is

reviewing Little Mary cemetery materials. The grave has been in that location for at least 50 years. Commission is asking for the State to make the grave a cemetery designation.

An update is that the removal of markers on Commerce street is on the TxDot schedule.

Chair is going to confer with Catholic Priest about options concerning Refugio marker. Dedication will be at the City Hall, time to be determined latter.

**New Business:** Mary Belle Meitzen was designated co-chair of marker committee.

Commission has to pay a bill that was eight years old for \$20. It was for a plat adjustment re cemetery, which called for a recording fee.

A motion was made to approve naming the cemetery Weyers-McGuire. Motion carried. Olivia Cemetery Association also gave appropriate paperwork to have it designated an historical cemetery.

No meeting in July or August. Next meeting is Sept 12. (Note: A meeting was called by the Chair and held on August 8, 2017.)

Close of meeting was called by Chair at 7:24pm..