

CALHOUN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

May 9, 2023 Minutes

The Calhoun County Historical Commission met May 9, 2023, at the Calhoun County Library, 200 West Mahan, Port Lavaca, Calhoun, Texas, at 6:30 p.m. Chairman Robert Loflin called the meeting to order. Quorum was met. Pledges to the flags were led by Chairman Loflin. In attendance were John Foester, Gary Ralston, Steve Koch, John Kassner, Wesley Abraham, Mary Meitzen, Linda Munro, Robert Loflin, Larry Nichols, Sue Glover. Guests introduced were CC Judge Richard Meyer, CC Commissioner Joel Behrens, and CCISD Board President Dr. Bill Harvey. Guests also included Ben Boone, Van Boone, Clay Bates, Jose M. Rodriguez, Gino Rodriguez, Daniel Harry, Jim Munro, and Russel Cain. CCHC Member John Foester presented the program "Clark Station" which was followed by a question-and-answer session.

February 14, 2023, Minutes were approved as posted online. Treasurer Gary Ralston reported a \$1200.00 donation from the Olivia Cemetery Association. Treasurers' report accepted. THC Correspondence included request from David Kroskie, Texas Parks and Wildlife, for Powderhorn State Park Cemetery information. Chairman Loflin responded to request. Loflin also cleared Powereng AEP transmission line review. Cemetery Chair John Kassner reviewed the April 1, 2023, Indianola Cemetery Workday with 50 gravestones cleaned, L.H. Jacobs re-leveled, George Seeligson (private donation stumbled over in bay), David Vance (THC Nimitz Museum), and Margaret Clements (private property) stones reglued. Hays CHC will be invited to a Clements rededication. Members participating in the workday included: Gary Ralston, John Foester, John Kassner, Mary Belle Meitzen, Wesley Abraham, Joe D. Brett, and guests Clay Brett and Ryland Brett.

Marker Chair Gary Ralston reported Matagorda Lighthouse Marker being shipped soon, Olivia Cemetery Marker replacement arrived and will be located inside cemetery beside gazebo, Louis Andry Marker has fall arrival, and Clark Station Marker application accepted by THC. Chocolate Community Marker Dedication on April 22, 2023, summary was presented by Mary Belle Meitzen. Members participating included: Gary Ralston, Joe D Brett, Linda Munro, Walter Spiller, Steve Koch, Sue Traylor, Eddie Tyler, Vickie Cox. Ralston also reported Bryan Norwood will begin cutting the Olivia Silhouette Marker which will be installed by Commissioner Joel Behrens.

Chairman Loflin reported the Half Moon Reef Shutters and Door repair by Trevor Summers have begun by the City of Port Lavaca. Larry Nichols moved, Wesley Abraham second, CCHC sponsor Camel Corps 2023 presentation to CC seventh graders. Motion approved. Chairman Loflin adjourned the meeting.

