

Aransas County Historical Commission (ACHC)
January 11, 2011 – Minutes

January 11, 2011, 4:30 PM meeting was held in the History Lab, Room 15, of the old Rockport School. **Chairman Jackie Shaw presided.**

Commissioners Present: Carolyn Cauley, Kathy David, Diane Dupnik, Linda Garcia, Sandy Garrison, Marsha Hendrix, Dora McKelvey, Howard Murph, Sally Reynolds, Jackie Shaw, Pam Wheat-Stranahan, Janet Taylor, and Janie White.

Commissioners Not Present: Gwynn Lumpkin, Ann Schick.

A Quorum was declared.

New commissioners were welcomed and new officers were elected and approved as follows: **Jackie Shaw**, Chair; **Carolyn Cauley**, Vice Chair; **Linda Garcia**, Secretary; and **Dora McKelvey**, Treasurer.

Minutes of November 16, 2010, were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Dora McKelvey

Dora gave a brief update after which the Treasurer's Report was approved.

Committee Reports

Executive—Jackie Shaw.

Jackie had nothing to report at this time.

Preservation and Public Policy—Janie White

Janie reported that there will be a meeting on January 18th at 4:00 pm at the Angel Rose B&B to discuss the Concho/Magnolia properties. Sally is seeking a Steering Committee.

Historical Markers—Sandy Garrison

All four for 2011 have been submitted and the fees paid. State Commission to approve in late January. No word yet on the two for 2010—Fulton Community Church and Janet's house. Blevins Harbor and S.F. Jackson House (Marvine Wix' family) were mentioned for future consideration.

Public Relations—Carolyn Cauley

Carolyn discussed various links on our website including pictures, activities area, and, of course, VIP.

Collections—Sally Reynolds

Sally reported that we were ready to place an ad in the Texas Bar Journal to sell the set of law books and, additionally, to place them for sale on ebay. Jackie was going to talk with her son about purchasing the law books. The Commission voted to approve Pam Wheat-Stranahan remaining with the Collections Committee.

Other Liaison Reports:

VIP—Pam met with TxDot and the Chamber regarding signage for Heritage District. Apparently, it must be requested and paid for by the City. Signs will be very generic.

Aransas First—Linda will update ACHC at its next meeting in April.

OLD BUSINESS

St. Peter's Episcopal Church responded to letter sent back in August urging preservation. Jackie read the reply that the Church has no plans to move or renovate in the future and plan on remaining a viable presence for another 140 years.

Dora reported that we received a credit with Gaylords for supplies.

NEW BUSINESS

RTHL 50th Anniversary is in May. There are 7 or 8 landmark properties that should be inventoried and celebrated, and a proclamation should be requested from the city.

The County will be celebrating its 140th birthday this year. Linda reported that she had discussed the matter with the Judge, and he felt it would be better to wait on a large celebration until the County's 150th birthday, especially with the economy where it stands now.

The upcoming THC Conference in Austin was briefly discussed and everyone urged to attend if at all possible.

Jackie announced that the next meetings of the ACHC would be held April 12, 2011, September 13, 2011, and November 8, 2011, at 4:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Garcia

Linda Garcia, Secretary