

MUSEUM OF SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORY
HISTORICAL COMMISSION
August 19, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jon Batman, John Bistline, Carolyn Bistline, Rosalie Cook, Alex Dickison, Robert Hughes, Jan Jernigan, Ed L'Heureux, Eunice Mann, Beverly Mason, John Richardson and Cecil Tucker.

Members Absent: Lillian Griffin, Ettie-Jane Keogh and Paul Zuromski.

Staff Present: Kim Nelson, Julia Thompson and Kathi Clifford.

Guests: Mr. & Mrs. Dave Link and their children, Nicole and Christopher.

Location: Museum of Seminole County History
300 Bush Blvd.
Sanford, FL 32773

Cecil Tucker called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. There is **a quorum** in attendance.

Opening Ceremonies:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation

Mr. Tucker asked if there are any additions or corrections to the June meeting minutes. Jon Batman made a **motion to approve the minutes** as submitted. Eunice Mann seconded the motion. The motion was **approved** unanimously.

Old Business:

Update on Wild Things Summer Exhibit

Ms. Nelson informed that the exhibit was a big success.

Orange Belt Railway Marker

Ms. Nelson informed that the marker has been received and is currently being fitted for the same "collar" as the Martin Luther King marker received.

George C. Means Bridge Marker

Ms. Nelson informed that the 55th marker dedication will be on October 2nd at 10:00 a.m. at Cameron Wight Park. She is taking suggestions for location of marker at the park.

Orange County Map

The map is almost complete and the Historical Society has approved a contribution of \$325 for the glazing of the map. SGTV has done 27 minutes of video of the restoration and will complete the video with three minutes for the rededication.

Subcommittee Reports:

Accession Subcommittee

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- Mr. Dickison informed that Collection Policies have been located. It was last edited in 2005. The policy will be reviewed at the next meeting to decide on any recommendations.
- Mr. Bistline informed that they have been trying to determine dates that the old maps were made.
- Ms. Bistline has donated a bottle collection to the museum. Discussion followed.

Education/Docents Subcommittee

- No report.

Programming Subcommittee

- Mr. L'Heureux informed that November and December programs have been arranged per Ms. Nelson.

Exhibits Subcommittee

- Ms. Nelson gave the report in Mr. Zuromski's absence. She distributed a list of the display's for the 'Weird, Strange and Unexplained in Seminole County' exhibit. Discussion followed. The exhibit is scheduled to open on September 21st. Ms. Nelson recommended installing a fiberglass horse with the Longwood carriage exhibit rather than trying to remove the carriage in its current condition. She reported on sources she has found. Discussion followed. Alex Dickison made a **motion** for the County to use up to \$2,000 of the CROW funds to **purchase a fiberglass horse as a permanent part of the Longwood carriage exhibit**. Caroline Bistline seconded the motion. The motion **passed** unanimously.

Historical Marker Subcommittee

- Mr. Tucker informed that he has pulled together the names that need to go on the second marker listing families involved in the cattle industry for the **Cattle Industry marker**. Unfortunately he left them at home. Mr. Hughes informed that the cost to install on a granite marker is \$1.50 per letter and he gave a very rough estimate that the second marker could cost approximately \$1,124.00.

Oral History Subcommittee

- Mr. Batman informed that the volunteer, Ms. Ashley, had put together a spreadsheet of all oral histories which Seminole County is going to include in a booklet. Mr. Tucker requested a copy of the list. Ms. Ashley also created a 'How To' book on how to do an oral history.
- Mr. Batman would like to present Ms. Ashley's Oral History PowerPoint presentation to the City Commissioners and the Board of County Commissioners sometime in mid November.
- Mr. Batman requested Ms. Thompson have the County create an Oral History brochure.

New Business:

Seminole County Consortium

- Ms. Bistline informed that the Lake Mary Museum is trying to get a Seminole County Consortium started. They will be meeting Wednesday, August 25th, 3:00 p.m. at the Lake Mary Museum. Discussion followed.

Museum Report:

- Ms. Nelson distributed and reviewed the **July Museum report**.

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- Ms. Nelson distributed the newest **Museum brochure**.

Society Report:

None.

Other Business:

- Ms. Nelson asked Ms. Thompson to present the family that went to see all 54 Seminole County historical markers over the summer. Ms. Thompson informed that she had a contest to see who could see the most of the historical markers in Seminole County. Mr. & Mrs. Dave Link took their two children, Nicole and Christopher, to all 54 historical markers in Seminole County over the summer. The children already play tennis in Seminole County and they won a free series of tennis lessons.
- Ms. Cook had questions about the “Enter Colored Hats” exhibit. Discussion followed.

Mr. Tucker **adjourned** the meeting at 4:40 p.m.