

MUSEUM OF SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORY
HISTORICAL COMMISSION
October 15, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Jon Batman, John Bistline, Rosalie Cook, Alex Dickison, Ed L'Heureux, Robert Hughes, Beverly Mason, John Richardson, Cecil Tucker and Paul Zuromski.

Members Absent: Don Epps, Jan Jernigan, Ettie-Jane Keogh, Eunice Mann and Lillian Griffin.

Staff Present: Kim Nelson, Bryan Nipe and Kathi Clifford.

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

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

Opening Ceremonies:

- Pledge of Allegiance

John Bistline introduced Bryan Nipe, the Leisure Services' Greenways & Natural Lands Division. Mr. Bistline then asked if there are any additions or deletions to the September meeting minutes. There were none. Mr. Bistline declared the **minutes stand approved** as submitted.

Old Business:

Historical Markers:

- Gabriella: Was installed yesterday
- The final version of the Touring Book Guide was distributed for everyone's review.

Cattle Industry Marker Update:

Copies of verbiage were distributed for review.

Altamonte Springs Miniatures Exhibit Update:

The exhibition was extended through October 31, 2009.

Sanford Herald Digitizing Project Update:

Nothing new to report but moving forward.

Florida Monthly Magazine:

The September 2009 issue was distributed and Kim Nelson pointed out the article naming the Museum of Seminole County History the Best Museum in Florida. Mr. Nipe pointed out the article naming the Seminole Wekiva Trail the Best Greenway & Trail in Florida.

Oral History Project:

Jon Batman gave an update. Discussion followed. Robert Hughes suggested a meeting be held to discuss the best technology method to record oral histories, either record them orally or by video.

New Business:

Celery City Cruisers:

Will be November 14, 2009.

St. Lucia Festival:

Will be December 12, 2009. Ms. Nelson informed that there is a need for volunteers. She also announced that Charlie Carlson is to moderate and announce different elements of the festival.

Museum Day:

Ms. Nelson advised that the date needs to be rescheduled again because the Student Museum is not ready to participate.

Subcommittee Updates: (Subcommittees met today at 2:30 p.m.)

- Accession Subcommittee – has gone through belongings and decided to keep maps and other objects.
- Education/Docents Subcommittee – did not meet.
- Programming Subcommittee – Programs for 2009 -2010 are good.
- Exhibits Subcommittee – Members proposed having the “Blues” traveling exhibit. They further advised that the Museum of Florida History has prepackaged traveling exhibits for less than \$1,500 compared to the usual \$6,000.
- Historical Marker Subcommittee – they did not have a quorum and are currently working on the Cattle Industry marker.
- Oral History Subcommittee – did not meet and a report was given under old business.

Museum Report:

Kim Nelson distributed and reviewed the September Museum report.

Society Report:

Cecil Tucker informed that the next society meeting will be 7:00 p.m., Monday, November 30, 2009 at the old Ag Exhibit Building.

Other Business:

Mr. Hughes gave a report on the **Geneva Rural Heritage grand opening** held September 26, 2009.

Mr. Hughes announced that Ed L’Hereux will be speaking at the Geneva Community Center about Henry Flagler, Henry Plant and William Chipley at 7:00 pm on November 2, 2009.

John Bistline announced that since there is no other business the meeting stands adjourned at 3:55 p.m.