

CALHOUN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 12, 2019 MEETING

The meeting was held at the Calhoun County Library, 200 W. Mahan St., Port Lavaca, Texas.

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

The Invocation was by John Meitzen.

The pledges to the flags were led by Robert Loflin.

The January 8 meeting minutes were accepted as posted.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as posted.

**Consider/Take Necessary Action on THC Correspondence**

Chair Robert Loflin mentioned:

1. A Tejano History Conference will occur in May at Goliad.
2. Plans are underway for a walking trail on the bay front.
3. The membership rosters were submitted to the THC and to Calhoun County.

**Consider/Take Necessary Action on the Cemetery Committee Report**

1. Per Mary Belle Meitzen: At the Old Town Cemetery both stones have been glued, and she is working with someone to have a broken aluminum fence post there welded back together.
2. Per John Kassner: A stone at the Hatch Cemetery needs to be repaired.

**Consider/Take Necessary Action on the Marker Committee Report**

1. Per Gary Ralston:

The marker application for the Springs of Calhoun County was selected for a marker by the THC. The cost of the marker is \$1175.00.

2. Gary has been in contact with two of the descendants of the Huck family who are planning on coming in either April or May to see the marker.

3. Per Mary Belle Meitzen:

TXDOT's John Amadore accompanied Mary Belle to Kamey to select a sight to install the Kamey Marker. The marker honors John William McKamey (1878-1955), the man who developed the area.

4. Also, TXDOT informed Mary Belle that the "Gins of Calhoun County" marker could not be moved from its present location, but, however, they are going to put it on the herbicide program until all the weeds around it are eliminated and the grass grows up around it to improve its appearance.

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**Consider/Take Necessary Action on Old Business**

Per Robert Loflin:

Concerning the T-6 Texan silhouette to be placed in Port O'Connor-Someone from the Commission needs to make contact with the people in Port O'Connor to, first, make sure they are receptive to the idea of the silhouette, and, second, to find out where they may be interested in placing the silhouette.

Robert Loflin, Gary Ralston and John Kassner volunteered to go to Port O'Connor and talk to the people there about this matter.

**Consider/Take Necessary Action on New Business**

1. Per Sue Thomae:

The Camel Corps is coming to Port Lavaca on April the 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Commission will need someone to be there when they arrive and when they leave.

2. Per Robert Loflin:

The old cistern at Indian Point at the beach has some deterioration. The Commission needs to look at it and determine how much deterioration there is, and then exercise the option of having someone come out and possibly patch it or seal it so that it doesn't deteriorate any worse than what it is. Since this cistern is on county property, the Commission needs to keep up with it.

This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**Consider/Take Necessary Action on Commission Input**

1. Per Robert Loflin:

The City of Port Lavaca is working on a project to build a walking path on the bay-front peninsula, basically around the Marina and the Veterans Memorial Park. The city has asked the Commission to write a letter of support to help them get a grant application approved.

The majority of the Commission members were in favor of supporting the project.

2. Per Jody Brett:

Jody suggested possibly placing a marker at the old Chocolate Community out near the Hatch Cemetery.