

CALHOUN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 14, 2020 MEETING

The meeting was held at the Calhoun Library, 200 W. Mahan St., Port Lavaca, Texas. It was called to order by Chair, Robert Loflin, at 6:30 PM.

The invocation was by John Meitzen.

The Pledges of Allegiance were led by Robert Loflin.

Review/Approve the October 8, 2019 Minutes:

The October 8, 2019 Minutes were approved and accepted as posted.

Consider/Approve Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was approved and accepted as posted.

Consider/Take Necessary Action on THC Correspondence

Chair Robert Loflin said we need to turn in the 2019 volunteer hours. Secretary Walter Spiller said he would make those hours available.

Consider/Take Necessary Action on Cemetery Committee Report

Chair Robert Loflin read John Kassner's 2019 year-end cemetery report to the Commission. A motion was made to accept the report by Steve Koch and seconded by Gary Ralston. The report was approved.

Consider/Take Necessary Action Marker Committee Report

Per Gary Ralston:

A 2020 marker application for the Chocolate Community is ready to go to the Texas Historical Commission, but the state is not accepting any marker applications at this time until further notice.

Consider/Take Necessary Action on New Business

1. Bauer Half Moon Reef Lighthouse Donation:

Per Gary Ralston-A trust was set up by the First National Bank for the benefit of the Calhoun County Historical Commission. Over the last many years, the return on the trust has not been enough to offset the expenses, so the bank closed the trust and issued a check to the county. The Historical Commission and the Commissioners Court will approve that and Gary said we should have it set up as a type of financial instrument that will provide a good income every year(it's about \$10,500).

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2. Margaret Clement Head Stone Project:

Per Robert Loflin-The Calhoun County Historical Commission was contacted by the chairman of the Hayes County Historical Commission about 10 days before Christmas 2019, informing this commission that the Margaret Clement headstone had been located on a ranch just south of Kyle, Texas.

In January of 2020, Chair Robert Loflin went to that location and picked up the headstone and returned it.

The base of the headstone is located in the Indianola Cemetery, and an attempt is now being made to restore the stone to its base.

Adjournment:

Chair Robert Loflin adjourned the meeting at 7:00 PM.