

**FHC (Zoom Meeting)  
Minutes  
Apr.12th, 2021  
5:30 PM**

The meeting was called to order by President Pam Stranahan.

**CITIZENS**

No citizens were present.

**MINUTES**

John made a motion to approve March minutes. Ron seconded. Motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Ron made a motion to accept treasurer's report for March. Mel seconded. Motion passed.

**COMMITTEES**

Pam presented Zoom HC quarterly report to Aransas County Commissioners Court. The report is done as a courtesy to inform commissioners about activities and events that have occurred from Jan. - March at the history center.

Pam also presented the same report at Pathways meeting.

Aransas County Historical Society has a time lapsed video of the Kline's Cafe move on their website.

April 20th tropical trails zoom meeting will be held, and the history of the Kline's Cafe building will be presented.

**DEVELOPMENT**

The HC received a \$5,000 grant for the development of permanent exhibit "Voices of the Past", and a \$2,000 grant from the Castaways to be used on the gardens (staff and supplies).

The HC participated in sesquicentennial historical stroll on Sat., March 27th.

A book signing of "ABC's of Art Book" was held with Kay Betz and Vickie Merchant at the dedication of Steve Russell's mural downtown on Sat., March 27th. A book signing was also held at the HC on Sun., March 28th. Several artists featured in the book were present to sign books at both events.

**FACILITIES**

Gardens are beginning to recover from freeze in Feb. Only a few plants are having to be replaced.

Mel is filling hummingbird feeders regularly.

A buff bellied hummingbird and road runner were spotted in garden.

Cindy, our gardener, will begin mulching garden in early May.

**PUBLICITY AND MARKETING**

Becky is working on sending out e-blasts for business members.

Ron is going developing a program to catalogue and map out memorial pavers so interested individuals can locate them quickly and easily.

Facebook articles are being posted nearly every day.

Pam submitted an article to the Rockport Pilot about current exhibit, "Places in Time: Landmarks in Aransas County".

"ABC's of Art" soft cover books are being distributed at a 30% discount to some businesses to be sold at the business location.

## EDUCATION

12 docents attended docent training for current exhibit which opened April 10th. 25 people attended opening.

A free walking tour of historical sites of the Live Oaks Heights Loop will be held Sun., Apr. 25th. The tour will last between 45 to 60 minutes.

“Voices of the Past” exhibit will open May 15, 2021. Wall panels will be installed in early May. Pam encouraged suggestions in ways we can encourage people to attend opening. Handmade ship replicas of a scow and blockade runner to be displayed in permanent exhibit will be presented to collections on Apr. 23rd.

## COLLECTIONS

Bookcases were rearranged in the library to accommodate permanent exhibit. Helpers included Pam, Joe and Connie Guallardo, and Ron. A round table with chairs will be placed near the window corner in the library. Posters and AV equipment will be installed on the permanent exhibit side of the library.

Maureen and Pam discussed placement of artifacts in permanent exhibit cases. Maureen began pulling artifacts to be incorporated in exhibit.

## OLD BUSINESS

No topics for discussion

## NEW BUSINESS

Leah presented ideas for Jan. 2022 Vietnamese exhibit.

Board discussed HC participation in sesquicentennial parade in June.

David Murrow will be the speaker at permanent exhibit opening on May 15th.

Next board meeting will be May 11th.

Meeting Adjourned

Maureen Winkelman

Present at Meeting:

Pam Stranahan  
Ron Melvin  
Maureen Winkelman  
Dave Kronsky  
Mel Konarik  
Leah Oliva  
Sandy Garrison  
John Bemrose