



*Bexar County Historical Commission
Bexar County Courthouse
100 Dolorosa #311
San Antonio, Texas 78205*

BEXAR COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Minutes - August 1, 2018

Attendees;

Jose Jimenez
Clinton McKenzie
Frank Faulkner
Gary Houston
Mickey Killian
Felix Almaraz
Jesús “Corky” Rubio
Scott Baird
Paul Ringenbach
Brother Ed Loch S.M.
Tim Draves

Guest;

David Carlson

Staff;

Betty Bueche
Juliette Moke

Dr. Almaraz, Commission Chairman, opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees. He noted that a quorum was present and reiterated that all future meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 2 P.M. in the conference adjoining the Double-Height Courtroom I the Bexar County Courthouse.

Almaraz named the following appointments: Ringenbach, Vice Chairman and Budget officer; Porter, Secretary;

Standing Committee Chairs: Historical Markers (Almaraz/ Killian), History Appreciation (Galan), Oral History (Lattimore). Cemetery (Baird), Archives (Skrobarek), Historic Structures and Places (vacant)

Associate Member nominations: Dr. David Carlson, Dr. Sharon Skrobarek. Elected unanimously. (Action: nametags; Nevil)

He then asked Vice Chairman Dr. Ringenbach to give the status of the proposed FY-18 Commission projects.

Ringenbach gave the status of each of the 17 projects that have been proposed for FY-18.

The following projects have been cancelled.

1. Trinity Social Media Proposal (\$1500) was withdrawn by Lattimore.
2. Texas Air Museum Proposal (\$2400) was withdrawn by Houston.
3. Repair and Restoration manuscript of the 1703-1793 Mission San Antonio de Valero and its antecedents (\$7000) was withdrawn by Almaraz after the Director of Bexar Heritage, Betty Bueché, pointed out that the County could not fund a project sponsored or owned by a religious group (in this case the Archdiocese).
4. San Antonio Regional Archives – Brochure. Will be printed by the County Printing Plant and billed to the BCHC.

The following projects will meet the August 18 meeting of the Commissioners Court for approval:

1. Trinity: Oral History Sponsorship. (\$2000)
2. Congress Security Fee – SACS (\$376)

The following projects have been approved and must submit invoices NLT September 7, 2018:

1. History Day Support. (\$900). Receipts, W-9s for the organization and parents/guardians (2) (action :Dr. Wm. Bush, Texas A&M, SA)
2. Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Alamo Chapter. (\$3500).
Restoration of scrapbooks. (action: Dr. Sharon Skrobarek)

The following projects require action for approval and/or payment:

1. Western History Association. (\$500). Proposal missing (Porter)
2. Richard Corilla (\$200). Proposal/Invoice missing (Action:McKenzie)
3. Texas Archaeological Association (\$500). Proposal/invoice.
(Action: Mckenzie)
4. Table Cover for Conventions (\$700) (Action: Almaraz)

The following projects either have been paid or soon will be:

1. Congress of Hist. & Cultural groups (\$2750) to SACS
2. TSHA Support (\$350)
3. Baird – Cemetery Workshop (\$498)
4. Los Bexarrenos Meeting Support (one-time) (\$2000)
5. Monarch Trophy – nametags (Less than \$100)
6. Navarro Scholarship (\$2000)

Ringenbach - Instructions for FY-19 funding guidelines
(Action: Ringenbach)

Individual Member Comments

Almaraz Borderland Film festival Moved to St. Mary's University
(Sept. 28 – 30)

Baird Considerable problems with access to cemeteries on private property. After much discussion, Bueché recommended a meeting with Baird, Carlson, Bexar County Sheriff representatives and herself. (Action: Bueché will set up the meeting) Almaraz noted that in the 1980s junior History groups participated in care and upkeep of small family cemeteries. Baird also noted that archaeological finds have been made in the San Pedro Creek development

McKenzie What logo should be used for the proposed TAA meeting. (Bueché – County's 300th – (Action: Moke will provide the logo to McKenzie)

- Houston Buffalo Soldier marker will be installed on August 3rd near the headwaters of San Pedro Creek. A formal dedication ceremony will be scheduled later. Hays Street Bridge case has been accepted by the Texas Supreme Court for oral arguments on September 13, 2018
- Draves passed out the new pamphlet, “A Guide to San Antonio Regional Archives”
- Killian He raised the issue that no formal recognition has been accorded to any specific Native American in Bexar County.
- Moke On August 14th Commissioners Court meeting, the BCHC will receive the THC annual award for outstanding County Commissions
- Ringenbach Texas state law requires members of Historical Commissions to two-year terms on odd-numbered years. To put us in compliance with this law, all members will be appointed or reappointed for two-year terms in January 2019, regardless of what your term says now.
- Almaraz adjourned the meeting.