

BHPC MEETING MINUTES 07/25/2022

1. Call to order at 6:01pm.
2. Roll Call: Quorum Established
 - a. Commissioners Present:
Chair: Billie Jean Kutzer.
Commissioner Gail McClellan
Commissioner/Interim Secretary Wendy Cambridge
Commissioner Ryan Moses
 - b. Not Present: Vice Chair: Hollis Boatright, Commissioner Pamela Capps and HPO Rudy Nino
 - c. Others Present: Advisor Retta Martin, City Administrator Warren Escovy.
3. No Public Comments
4. No Announcements

OLD BUSINESS:

1. New Commissioner welcomed – Ryan Moses.
2. Motion by Gail to approve June 27, 2022 minutes. Second by Ryan. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Ryan to approve March 28, 2022 minutes. Second by Gail. Motion carried.
Motion by Gail to approve the September 13, 2021 minutes. Second by Ryan. Motion carried.
Remaining minutes to be typed up and approved are:
 - March 8, 2021
 - March 29, 2021
 - April 26, 2021
 - June 28, 2021
 - October 25, 2021
4. Chair will present annual report to City Council on August 9, 2022. Retta said previous reports are in the files in the BHPC room.
5. Budget Review:
 - a. New budget for 2022-2023 was presented. Ryan motioned to accept the proposed budget to be given to the City. Gail seconded. Motion carried
Office Supplies and Printer \$ 500
Trainings 1,500
Historic Markers 2,000
Printed Materials 800
TOTAL BUDGET PROPOSED \$6,800
 - b. Gail motioned to approve the following expenditures. Ryan seconded. Motion carried. Chair will follow up.
 - Refund to Wendy Cambridge for \$37 for PO Box rental thru August 2022.
 - Purchase 2 – 64 GB flash drives approximately \$20 for Rudy to copy all of his files too and then give to the City and BHPC.
 - c. Ryan motioned to extend the PO Box rental through to the end of 2022. Wendy seconded. Motion carried.
6. Review Goals for the Year
 - a. Banners – Chair announced they have been ordered and paid for. Completed/Remove goal.
 - b. Gateways – Wendy said she has meet with the City and Chamber of Commerce twice, and they are now asking community members to be part of the Steering Committee to be no more than 7 members. Will report names of that committee at next meeting. An RFP has been written and the city will send it out for proposals.
 - c. Pittsburgh Historic Marker: Gail will touch base with Eric (whose been ill), and with Pam Capps and Linda Howard, Chair Blanco County Historical Commission for information she may have on the Pittsburgh site.

- d. Blanco Historic Markers: Ryan has agreed to help move this project along, and Wendy will send him information regarding kinds of markers, etc.
 - e. Portals of Blanco booklet: Hollis was not present to give an update. Billie Jean has sent her pictures as promised.
 - f. Walking Tour pamphlet: Wendy continues to work on getting a template done so we can go out to printers for bids. We were told that Westcott Graphic Printing (Marcy Westcott) was the original printer but is believed to no longer be in business. It was recommended we look at printers in Fredericksburg and Johnson City.
7. The approved letter to Cut N Curl has been mailed and have not received a response. The City's address was used for return address and Warren Escovy's phone number was given as a contact person.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Wendy moved to accept Rudy Nino, HPO resignation submitted on July 9, 2022 and to be effective July 25, 2022. The commission acknowledged his years of service, dedication and expertise and he truly will be missed. A certificate of appreciation was prepared to give to Rudy, but he was not able to attend the meeting. City is putting together something to cover the HPO responsibilities, one idea going around is to partner with another town.
- 2. Rudy recommended we capture moneys that had been prepaid, but services not rendered.
 - a. Manning Signs for Gateway artwork.....\$2,150
 - b. THC for Byar's Building application for marker, which it did not win\$ 800
 Billie Jean will follow up and will check with the city to see how/where this money should go if returned.
- 3. Chair presented a written report from the tour she took with Rudy Nino, HPO regarding UDC compliance concerns. She will present this list and video to the city for follow-up by the new Community Compliance Officer. If the issue is an issue for the BHPC to resolve, they will let us know.
- 4. Mayor Lumpee suggested we begin planning for Blanco's 175 year Anniversary, which will be in 7 years. Gail motioned we begin the process by meeting the Fredericksburg Historic Commission to learn from their recent anniversary celebration. Ryan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Billie Jean will contact Fredericksburg to set up a meeting, and Gail will join her. It was suggested we team up with the City and Chamber of Commerce for this event.
- 5. Heritage Days to correspond with the Trail Ride in February 2023 and Billie Jean will chair this committee. Ideas suggested are:
 - a. Tie in the Cattle Drives of the past.
 - b. Story Teller booth/table. Have locals tell stories at tables in Bindseil Park.
 - c. Ask Dennis Moore if he'd be willing to set up his chuck wagon, find folks to dress in character, possibly offer free passes to the museum, daughter is very creative as well (Gail will contact him)
 - d. Different stations/tables with different themes centered around learning.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Streetscapes: Retta reported they have a new member; Moses Hawk and he will work with fundraising. Retiring is Cordelia Wilgren. They expect to name a surveyor at their August meeting. First phase of surveying is Pecan Street, and second phase possibly 3rd Street.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Review unfinished business.
- 2. Discuss Heritage Days and its progress.
- 3. Discuss Blanco's 175 years celebration.

A WORD BY CHAIRMAN:

Chair presented information about the 281 Expansion project by TXDOT. Warren Escovy, City Administrator gave a description of the cities stand and how they will proceed. It was also stated that the BHPC needs to be in the forefront in protecting the Historic District. All citizens should contact their state officials with letters, flooding them with our concerns.

ADJOURNMENT:

7:01 pm - Wendy motioned to adjourn. Ryan seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Wendy Cambridge