

**Seminole County
Historical Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2024**

Members Present: Deborah Bauer, Carmen Bierman, Donna Bundy, Rosalie Cook, Eunice Mann, Beverly Mason, Marjorie Smith, Judith Smith, Paul Zuromski

Members Absent:

Kim Carroll, Lynn Dictor, Bob Hughes, Kathryn Townsend

Guest:

Don Epps, Seminole County Historical Society

Staff Present:

Cindy Kelley-Administrative Assistant

Bennett Lloyd- Museum Coordinator

Amanda Salazar- Parks and Recreation Division Manager

Location:

UF/IFAS Seminole County Polycom Room
250 West County Home Rd
Sanford, FL 32773

On Thursday, May 16, 2024 Chairperson Donna Bundy called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. There was a quorum in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, Welcome and Introductions

Don Epps opened the meeting by asking members to stand for The Pledge of Allegiance and leading the group into invocation.

Public Comment and Introductions

No public comment or introductions

Approval of Minutes:

Mrs. Bundy asked if there were any questions or corrections regarding the minutes for the April 18, 2024 meeting minutes. A motion was made and seconded to approve with three corrections.

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- Under Archaeology day attendance, should read 120
- Spring lecture needs own bullet point and lecture given by Dr Deborah Bauer
- Send photos of any possible emergency operations to Bennett Lloyd not Dr Deborah Bauer

Corrections changed and minutes resent.

Motion made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Society Report: Don Epps, Seminole County Historical Society President

- EarthFest in Casselberry-there was close to 200 people that came by the tent. Sold a couple of books
- May 4, we had a table at Sanford Historic Garden tour. Had a lady that played the violin at one of the houses.
- May 18, Family fest at Cranes Roost. Had a buggy and had a lot of photo ops with grandparents and grandchildren. Gave out a lot of information on the summer camps and the Leisure guides.
- May 25, will be in Winter Garden at the Community Day
- Reviewing the bylaws for the August meeting
- May 23, two representatives from Congressman Cory Mill's office will be at the museum to see if they want to have the art contest there. It has been held there in the past.
- Dr Bauer was able to find a 1765 map of Florida from England and we were able to get a digital copy of this. Was voted to spend the money to acquire.
- Dr. Neal Vaz will be the speaker in August. He is a professor at Seminole State College, born and raised in Seminole County in Fern Park. Will be talking about African American Migration in Florida.
- June 8th, the Disaster exhibit will have an opening at the museum with a reception from 2-4 pm.
- June 23, Casselberry Historical Society with the Brawner house will be having their opening day from 3-5 pm
- May 17, Georgetown will be having a Florida Emancipation Weekend Celebration. Doing the Historical photo in front of the school.

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Museum Monthly Report: Bennett Lloyd, Museum Coordinator

- Prepping for the Disaster Exhibit.
- Humidistats have been installed in the major hallways
- Smoke Detector's fixed
- Ballast in back collections fixed
- Working on getting kitchen muntin replace
- Annual gutter cleaning complete
- Exhibits case/mannequin order will be placed in the next couple of weeks

Commission Report-Amanda Salazar Parks and Recreation Division Manager

- Budget meeting will be held on June 18th or 19th. Will email the board when they get a final day
- Museum position to help Bennett was denied
- Building 302 is coming along. Trades workers have gone in and cleaned out the building. Got an electrician contractor to pull out the wires not needed and run new ones. Getting floors done.
- Boxes of Centennial books need a new home. Cannot stay during construction.
- Need to relocate the buggies that are not being used. Need to relocate the buggies that we are not going to use. Need to think of what to do with the extra ones. Some business have expressed interest in 'adopting a buggy'.
- Thought is to donate them to the society for them to get sponsors due to the county not being able to do this
- Looking to save the money raised by the Society for the inside of the building not the construction. Looking to get the building up to date with county money

Subcommittee Reports:

No subcommittees met this month.

Updates:

New Business:

- Brightwater estate has begun construction-a new roof is first step

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- Evergreen Cemetery- 2-5 pm on June 23rd- Brawner house museum will have their grand opening and will be celebrating Juneteenth. Please bring books to donate if you have any.

Old Business:

- Paul reported that they are getting the new GPS coordinates for the Old New Senator. Will need a boardwalk to get out to it due to it is in the middle of the swamp.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:47 PM.