

**Seminole County Historical Commission Meeting Minutes  
December 17, 2020**

**Members Present** – Kathryn Townsend, Rosalie Cook, Beverly Mason, Joanne Schwarzmann, Paul Zuromski, Robert Hughes, Desta Horner, Donna Bundy, Eunice Mann, Paul Zuromski

**Members Absent** – Nathan Jordon, Caroline Van Den Berg, Imogene Yarborough, Ben Wheeler

**Staff Present** – Corey Warner, Bennett Lloyd, Michael Wirsing

**Call to Order** – Donna Bundy at 3:12PM

**Invocation/ Pledge of Allegiance Lead by Kathryn Townsend**

**Welcome/Introductions** – Donna Bundy

**Public Comment** – Edward Browder discussed the Balsley Mansion

**Review and Approval of the October, 2020 Meeting Minutes** – A motion was made by Kathryn Townsend and was seconded by Desta Horner. This motion passed unanimously.

**Museum Monthly Report:** Bennett Lloyd, Museum Coordinator

- Upcoming events
  - The St. Lucia exhibit finished. The attendance matched the average attendance for in person events
  - There is official schedule for January 2021
  - The next event, after January, takes place on February 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. This will be the Monroe Reenactment.
  - The Teaching Garden has a new box bed where crops are growing.
  - The Buggy Exhibit Mounts are almost complete.
  - Ten artists took part in the Paint House Event. We are expecting an exhibit in late 2021 or early 2022 to display the artwork.
- Exhibits
  - The 1920's Exhibit is taking place from January through March
  - The Music Exhibit begins in March.
- Recently got a call from our communications person that we will be meeting with them after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year to get with SGTV to assist with the museum's production. This is happening because of the popularity of the videos Bennett has done. This will help the museum's outreach

**Society Report:** Don Epps, Historical Society President

- We had our Quarterly Meeting where we had 7 people in attendance in person, and 14 over Facebook. The topic was Richmond's School comes to Florida.
- The Society will be honoring Cecil Tucker after the first of the year.
- Senator Trailer is almost complete.

**Other Society's Reports:**

- None

**Subcommittee Reports:**

- Accession Subcommittee – There is nothing new this past month. All of the items from the October meeting have been cataloged.
- Programming Subcommittee – Rosalie Cook/Donna Bundy
  - Donna and Rosalie met by phone to discuss how to promote the Senator Exhibit to schools. They plan to invite the school board, principals, administrators, teachers and families. This will showcase the museum and Bennett and hopefully generate excitement.
- Historical Marker Subcommittee – Rosalie Cook/Bennett Lloyd
  - They are looking at prioritizing the Historical Markers based on which one's need the most attention to which need the least so a restoration project can be started.

**Old Business**

- Edward Browder called to ask for a verdict on the Balsley House.
- A motion was made by Kathryn Townsend that the Historical Commission not take on the Balsley Mansion project. This was seconded by Eunice Mann. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

- The carriage mounts were donated to the Historical Commission Line Item. For this we need a motion from the Historical Commission to be approved by the County Commission.
- A motion was made by Desta Horner to ask the County Commission to accept the \$380 from the Historical Commission's Line item to be used for carriage mounts. This was seconded by Eunice Mann. Motion passes unanimously.

**Adjourn** – adjourn at 3:45PM

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