Aransas County Historical Commission (ACHC) March 12, 2014 – Minutes (Amended)

Meeting convened at 5:00 pm and was held in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the Courthouse. **Chair Collin Jackson presided**.

<u>Commissioners Present:</u> Kitty Angell, Dolly Close, Linda Garcia, Kathy Gribble, Greg Harlan, Collin Jackson, Gail Johnston, Letha Kieffer, Sally Reynolds, Betty Stiles, Pam Stranahan, Janet Taylor, and Kam Wagert. <u>Commission Advisors Present</u>: Carolyn Cauley and Sandy Garrison. <u>Commissioners Not Present</u>: Carol Thompson and Sue Travis.

A Quorum was declared.

Collin Jackson announced that Linda Garcia and Sally Reynolds are now official members of the ACHC. No group picture was taken as not everyone was present.

A discussion ensued about the 13 chairs that were purchased by the ACHC for the History Center. They cost about \$54 each. After a Motion was made by Greg and seconded by Pam to buy as many more chairs as possible up to \$350, it was unanimously approved.

Minutes of January 14, 2014, were unanimously approved after a motion was made by Kam and a second by Pam. Minutes of January 18, 2014, were unanimously approved after a motion was made by Greg and a second by Pam.

Treasurer's Report - Letha Kieffer

Letha presented a spreadsheet of expenses and balance of 2014 budget (see attached).

Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved after a motion from Greg and a second from Linda.

After a Motion from Janet and a second from Kam, it was unanimously approved to pay one-half of the cost of markers plus application fees (Price increase for new markers: \$100 increase for small--\$300 increase for large).

Committee Reports

Executive—Collin Jackson: No Report

Preservation & Public Policy: No Report

Historical Markers—Kitty Angell

Discussed moving Stella Maris marker—check sent to Lamar VFD who will move it to a better location—Sandy will talk to Jackie.

Other possible markers discussed: Duck Inn/Bay Window

Discussed forming a committee to check out marker information sign for the History Center (Greg & Janet).

Kitty presented the ACHC Marker Committee Meeting Report of March 4, 2014 (attached) and touched on some of the highlights.

Collections--Sally Reynolds

New addition—"Lighthouses of Texas" by Steph McDougal, available for sale on Amazon and at TMM later in the year. TMM will agree to store archival CD boxes.

Discussed adding the old horse rings to collections—the City has them as well as other items.

Will add postcard book to the collection.

Cemeteries:

Betty is new Cemetery committee chair with Linda as Co-chair.

Old Business:

Gail reported on the Calendar Project—she is working on getting a time and date for presentation to schools.

New Business:

Carolyn asked for help from Commissioners to help with History Center Projects: painting, the grand opening, etc. Greg and Kitty will purchase postcard books for students education—7 students/2 libraries.

The ACHS March Program will be held March 13, 2014 at the Women's Club—Presentation by Bridget & Jerry Brundrett entitled "Who Got What: A History of Land Division in Aransas County".

There being no old or new business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm after a motion from Betty Stiles and a second from Janet Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,

Línda García, Secretary