



MINUTES

North Little Rock History Commission meeting April 9, 2019

Commission Members Present:

Suzanne Jackson, Chairman
Belinda Sykes Burney
Kristal Clark
Debra Wood
Deeana Montgomery

Others Present:

Sandra Taylor Smith, Director
Cary Bradburn, Historian

Commission Members Absent:

Ann Clements

Commission Chairman Suzanne Jackson called the April 9, 2019 meeting of the North Little Rock History Commission meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. and quorum was established. Ann Clements had an excused absence.

Ms. Jackson asked Commissioners if they had read the minutes of the February 12, 2019 History Commission meeting. Deeana Montgomery moved to approve the February 2018 minutes as written. Debra Wood seconded the motion and it was approved by all in voice vote.

Staff Report

Donations since the February 2019 meeting:

1. Funeral Program/pamphlet for Effie Mae Stanton Holman; Articles of Incorporation for "North Little Rock Realty Company", August 1941, 113 Maple Street-Donated by Bubba Lloyd
2. 79 color 8 X 10 prints and back up digital files of aerial photos of NLR/LR Riverfronts and downtowns; Big Rock Mountain, Fort Roots, Jenks Yard, Pike Ave/Baring Cross and Burns Park- Donated by North Little Rock Planning Dept. via Jim Billings
3. From the possessions of Ed Scharfenberg, railroad documents including correspondence and memorandum of agreement between "Brotherhood of Railway Carmen and Missouri Pacific Railroad, 9 June 1958; scrapbook of newspaper clippings from the 1950s and 1960s; North Little Rock Civil Service rules booklet and documents 1960- Donated by Richard Scharfenberg
4. Six Christmas cards sent to Mayor Patrick Henry Hays in 2012 including card from US President Barack Obama and other high ranking officials in state and federal government- Donated by the North Little Rock Mayor's office
5. Child-size electric iron- pink and turquoise; wooden nickel token for free quart of oil from Bigg's Freeway DX station, 2324 Pike Ave.- Donated by North Little Rock City Council Member Debi Ross

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6. Items from Charles Huncke collection including 8 X 10 b/w photo of 5th and Main Street, late 1950s Boy Scout parade Float; 8 X 10 b/w photo from 1960 National Boy Scout Jamboree and associated items, including a neckerchief; Obituary for Leo J. Krebs, 1965- Donated by Deeana Montgomery
7. Shoehorn from Pete's Shoe Shop, 3321 Pike Avenue; Art of Cooking in North Little Rock Cookbook- Donated by Marjorie Forrester
8. Ribbon and Pin, North Little Rock High School Class of 1964- Donated by Lealon Worrell
9. Missouri-Pacific Chisel; Walter "Mike" Adams business card- Donated by Cathy Davis
10. CD made for 50th Reunion of North Little Rock High School Class of 1952- Donated by Jim Henry

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Sandra Smith reported that she presented a program on Park Hill and the Old Mill to the Shepherd's Center on March 27. She said a 92 year old gentleman at the event said he remembered seeing Dionicio Rodriguez working on the sculptures at the Old Mill.

Chairman's Report

Commission Chairman Suzanne Jackson asked Commissioners if they had looked at the revised exhibit drawings for the location of the white oak/cypress tree in the front of downstairs. Commissioners agreed the tree fits best in the front corner.

Debra Wood talked about the Commission's facebook page and encouraged everyone to like it and invite friends to join. Belinda Burney said the coloring book is only lacking a front cover at this point.

Debra Wood asked about internships. She said she has given up on trying to establish one with Pulaski Tech for now. Commissioners discussed UALR, UCA, Shorter College, and Philander Smith as possible institutions to work with about setting up an intern program.

Suzanne Jackson told Commissioners the table-top train will be removed from the front of the building and another display case will be delivered for the Camera Exhibit.

Debra Wood suggested that every other month right after the History Commission meeting we could have a speaker series. She gave some suggestions such as programs on Cactus Vic, Vestal Florists, and Stanley Jewelry. Suzanne Jackson asked what would be a good name for a speaker series.

After determining there was no further business or discussion, Belinda Burney moved to adjourn. Kristal Clark seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Taylor Smith, Director