



MINUTES

North Little Rock History Commission meeting September 10, 2019

Commission Members Present:

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

Others Present:

Sandra Taylor Smith, Director
Cary Bradburn, Historian

Commission Members Absent:

Ann Clements

Commission Chairman Suzanne Jackson called the September 10, 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 August 13, 2019 History Commission meeting. Deeana Montgomery moved to approve July 2019 minutes as written and it was seconded by Belinda Burney. The motion was approved by all in voice vote.

Staff Report

Donations since the August 2019 meeting:

1. Two Argenta Bottling Company bottles- Donated by Debra Wood

Sandra Smith told Commissioners that the Quapaw Quarter Association is doing a bus tour of "Haunted Sites" in Little Rock/North Little Rock on October 18. One of the stops will be at the North Little Rock Heritage Center. Two tours are planned. The first busload will arrive around 6:45 p.m. The second tour will arrive around 9 p.m.

New Business

Suzanne Jackson said that she thinks the building should be open on Saturdays in December and again as spring approaches. Commissioners discussed finding someone who would be willing to work on Saturdays.

Chairman's Report

Suzanne Jackson discussed the next exhibit "Picture This". She said the new opening date has been set for Thursday, October 17 from 5pm to 7pm. Refreshments, invitations, and the photo booth were discussed. Kristal Clark suggested that there be a backdrop photo for the booth made. She said Mike Vasquez has offered to help with printing.

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Chairman Jackson asked all Commissioners and staff to get a list of people to invite to the exhibit opening by Tuesday, September 17th.

Christmas Open House

The North Little Rock Christmas parade will be held on Sunday, December 1. That same afternoon, the History Commission will hold its annual Christmas open house. There will be crafts and another tree decorating contest. The 2019 parade theme will be “Candy Canes and Gingerbread”. Notice will be sent to Neighborhood Services to run in their fall newsletter. Deeana and Suzanne will work on rules for the contest and getting judges.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Taylor Smith, Director