

MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Chamber of Commerce
Minutes 1-3-2022

1. **The January 3, 2022 meeting** of the Montgomery County Historical Commission was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Larry Foerster, Chairman.
2. **Present:** Larry Foerster, Brenda Beaven, David Frame, Robin Bartholet, Victor Uher, Annette Kerr, Dell Wise, Ryan Londeen, Ann Meador, Missy Ringo, Elijah Easley, Mark Canada and Sue Ann Powell.
3. **Guests:** Britney Wallace, Montgomery teacher; Caleb Erickson, YAB member from Catholic High School; and Karen Dixon, Dorothy Bell, Julian Brooks and Nancy Ford, representatives of Piney Grove Cemetery.
4. **Comments:** none.
5. **Motion to accept the Minutes of 11/1/2021 made by Annette Kerr and seconded by Ann Meador was approved.** Ryan Londeen discussed a City of Montgomery app to navigate the historical buildings on the phone.
6. **Real Places Conference February 2-4.** Ann Meador, Larry Foerster, Annette Kerr, and Victor Uher plan to attend. Jon Edens and John Meredith will be presenters of the work done at the black Community Cemetery.
7. **Selection of Vice Chair:** Victor Uher will serve the remaining one year. **Motion by Missy Ringo and seconded by Robin Bartholet the nomination of Victor Uher as Vice Present for the remainder of the term (2022). Motion carried.**
8. **YAB Field Trip:** Larry will see if any of the YAB students can attend on January 15th because the January 8th was not possible.
9. **Update on Road Rally to be held in Magnolia:** Registration form is on the website under "Blogs". Photos of the previous Road Rallies also on website. Meet at 1st Baptist Church, Magnolia. \$30 pre-registration, \$40 at the door.
10. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Website** – David Frame reported 25-30 visits per day. Historic page – 6 sections—Willis, Conroe, Montgomery, Magnolia, etc. Need to promote website.
 - b. **YAB** – Brenda Beaven reported 3 YAB girls helped with the Montgomery Cookie Walk. Larry planning to schedule jail tour in March. Have 20 members.
 - c. **Grants** – Dell Wise. None
 - d. **History Marker Committee** – Annette Kerr reported the urgent need for a County Marker for the Piney Grove Baptist Church and cemetery that dates to 1924. The Audubon Development Co. surrounds the cemetery. The County Marker will help protect the 100 gravesites from further development. **Motion by Annette Kerr and seconded by Elijah Easley to approve the County Historical Cemetery designation. Motion carried.**
 - e. **Endangered Buildings** – none.
 - f. **Fundraising** – none.
11. **Larry requested** the submission of receipts to the Real Places Conferences be sent to him in advance.
12. **The following nominations for membership** in the Montgomery County Historical Commission: Jessica Rizk and husband Fadi (Sheriff's Museum) and Brittney Wallace were mentioned by Larry Foerster for future nominations.
13. **Motion made by Mark Canada and seconded by Brenda Beaven to meet March 7, 2022 at 6 p.m. Motion carried.**
14. **Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.**

Note: Frank and Marilyn Hersom who are conducting Historic Resource Survey of all Buildings, will go to other sites in County when they finish in Conroe.

Submitted by:

Sue Ann Powell
Secretary