

**Historical Advisory Committee (HAC)  
Meeting Minutes April 9, 2014**

At the Charlotte County Historical Center (CCHC)  
22959 Bayshore Road, Charlotte Harbor FL 33980

**Committee Members**

Sue Blackwell (48 /62)  
Mary Jane Handlin (20/22)  
Lynn Harrell (110/119)  
Michael Haymans (25/45)  
Vernon Peeples (56/69)  
Scot Shively (55/58)  
Larry Peck(3/3)  
Dianne Munson (2/3)

**Present**

Mary Jane Handlin  
Lynn Harrell  
Scot Shively  
Larry Peck  
Michael Haymans  
Dianne Munson

**Not Present**

Vernon Peeples  
Sue Blackwell

**Staff**

Jackie Brown, Historian  
Jackie Anderson, Admin. Assistant  
Anne Shepherd, Division Manager

**Guests**

**9:00 a.m. Call to Order, Roll Call  
Minutes from February approved.**

**Old Business**

**HAC Appointments and Terms of Office:** Larry Peck (CC Genealogical Society) and Dianne Munson (CC Historical Center Society) have been approved and attended first meeting. Bev Cisco's paperwork is still being processed (El Jobean Community League candidate).

**Placida Bunk House:** Stabilized for the next five years. There appears to be no more money to go the house. Looking to take over the project. It could possibly not be able to go on the National Register. Bees were found in the walls the chemicals could cause more damage than the actual bees. Michael Haymans talked to Anne Mercer and she would like to donate materials from the railroad.

**Historical Mini-Conference-** May 8<sup>th</sup> will be at Grace Street.

**New Business-** Most of the Demo houses are on the Master Site file. Shady Lane does not detract from the houses in the area. Nutsedge – The owner wants to rehab the house. Going to arrange for the owner to go to the next meeting to see if there is anything we can do to help him. The interior of the house was extremely damaged by the previous owner. Motion By Mike Haymans: Not to take any action and to invite Mr. Hungerford in to the next meeting, seconded by Dianne Munson.

**Historic Surveys-** Focusing on El Jobean, the county needs to tread lightly because there could be archaeological artifacts and also burial mounds.

**Historical Staff report-**

**History programs & exhibits-** In April, "Florida's Mean Season" will be presented by Jackie Brown, a series of lectures on the most deadly and destructive Hurricanes in Florida. Off-site exhibit, "Rising from the Rubble," commemorating 10-year anniversary of Hurricane Charley, is in production and will be installed for viewing at Courthouse first, then moved to Mid-County library.

**Archives and “Friends of the Englewood Archives”** – No archival processing being done due to staff shortage; collections and reference materials boxed, awaiting word on relocation plans.

**Preservation project updates** – None

**Historical Center update** – No decision yet as to when CCHC operations will be moved. Daily operations impacted by preparations for relocation. Ongoing collections management is on hold due to relo prep. Most FIC collections need accession numbers assigned or changed, many other donated collections have yet to be processed and assigned accession numbers, scanned/photographed and uploaded for online access.

**Citizen Input** – None

**Member Input and Announcements**

- Larry: Next meeting will be at the beach complex it is also a luncheon. Meeting in May will be held at the Ft. Myers Library.
- Mary Jane: Lemon Bay Historical Society had a booth at a car show and at the Rotary art show both went over well, sold some books. Meeting April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7 pm at the Green Street Church. The Cons of the Confederate Veterans will be giving a presentation.
- Michael: Friends of CHEC Volunteer luncheon on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Vernon Peeples will be giving a presentation if he is feeling better if not Lynn Harrell or Frank Desguin will take his place. Also it is poetry month there will be reading at Faust library, poetry in the garden and an open mic event at Fisherman’s village.
- Dianne: Friends of the Library had two luncheons. Punta Gorda Hibiscus Festival May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be events for children and music coordinated by Michael Haymans. All proceeds will go to the Charlotte County Historic Center.” “Murder in the Library” was a success.

**Adjournment** – 11:20 am

**Next HAC Meeting:**

- **HAC monthly meeting-** 9:00 a.m. May 14, 2014, at CCHC

*These Historical Advisory Committee minutes were approved at the HAC meeting held on, 2014.*

cc:

Commissioner Ken Doherty, District 1  
Commissioner Stephen R. Deutsch, District 2  
Commissioner Bill Truex, District 3  
Administrator  
Commissioner Christopher Constance, District 4  
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Commissioner Tricia Duffy, District 5  
Ray Sandrock, County Administrator  
Kelly Shoemaker, Assistant County  
Tommy Scott, Director, Community