

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

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

Committee Members

Sue Blackwell (51 /65)
Mary Jane Handlin (24/25)
Lynn Harrell (113/122)
Michael Haymans (26/48)
Vernon Peeples (56/72)
Scot Shively (58/61)
Larry Peck(4/6)
Dianne Munson (4/6)

Present

Mary Jane Handlin
Lynn Harrell
Scot Shively
Sue Blackwell
Larry Peck
Michael Haymans

Not Present

Vernon Peeples
Dianne Munson
Jackie Brown, Historian

Staff

Jackie Anderson, Admin. Assistant
Anne Shepherd, Division Manager

Guests

Lyndon Engemann

9:00 a.m. Call to Order, Roll Call
June minutes approved.

Old Business

HAC Appointments and Terms of Office: Bev Cisco's paperwork is still being processed (El Jobean Community League candidate)

New Business- Nutsedge demo, has not been resolved. Discussed fundraising ideas, this included need for funds for historic site markers for Lt. Carl Bailey Cemetery and El Jobean Cemetery. Also discussed having groups sponsor markers about Gov. Albert Gilchrist and Harry Goulding. Possibly could have an interpretive marker that can lead to an official marker. Fundraising ideas include taking a picture of the "Bunk House" t-shirt to put with purchase info in display case outside Englewood Archives. Also sell t-shirts at Englewood Library book store if possible.

Historic Surveys- None. Scot offered to do Historical Reviews if needed while Jackie Brown is out sick.

Historical Staff report- Jackie Brown has been out sick and will return July 16, 2014. The Historical Coordinator position will be posted as July 11, 2014. The second historian position was not approved. A "Blues in Florida" traveling exhibit has been cancelled. Staff has a projected moving date for September or October for relocation to Grace Street. Anne's staff will start moving boxes and equipment to Grace Street on Wednesdays.

History programs & exhibits- Hurricane Andrew lecture has been canceled. Hurricane Charley traveling exhibit will continue as scheduled, is currently at Mid-County Library.

Archives and "Friends of the Englewood Archives" – The collections registrars are transferring at-risk items to the archives for long term storage. No archival processing is being done due to staff shortage.

Preservation project updates – None.

Historical Center update – County staff and Snelling staff are packing files & equipment; non-essential items are being marked for storage. Essential items are being marked for transfer to Grace Street. Projected date to move to Grace Street Annex is September / October.

Citizen Input – Lyndon Engemann, new Historical Center volunteer, introduced himself and offered assistance with upcoming projects.

Member Input and Announcements

- Scot Shively: The Blanchard House will be closed to September for renovations.
- Mary Jane Handlin: Is moving to Bradenton at the end of September. Will be at the next two meetings. A new representative for Lemon Bay Historical will be needed.
- Sue Blackwell: Punta Gorda Historical Society Farmers Market at the History Park is every Sunday 9 a.m.-1p.m. An interview with Helen Wrobbel, age 96, was videotaped just a few days before Mrs. Wrobbel died. Another longtime county resident, Edna Earl Smith Popell, participated in the interview.
- Lynn Harrell: Plans for Indian Spring Cemetery Tour are ongoing. More volunteers are needed; Michael Haymans and Sue Blackwell offered to assist. This year's tour will be October 25 from 5 - 8 p.m. A new addition: Phil Wilson will be portraying Harry Goldstein, who was a violinist.
- Michael Haymans: Lynn is editing his upcoming book of poems and songs based on local history. David Dunn-Rankin of the Charlotte Sun has offered Michael the opportunity to write a newspaper column every other week similar to his weekly radio show, "Building a Zoo."
- Larry Peck: None

Adjournment – 10:35 am

Next HAC Meeting:

- **HAC monthly meeting-** 9 a.m. August 13th, 2014. Meeting will be at the Charlotte County Historical Center.

cc:

Commissioner Ken Doherty, Dist. 1

Commissioner Stephen R. Deutsch, Dist. 2

Commissioner Bill Truex, Dist. 3

Commissioner Christopher Constance, Dist. 4

Commissioner Tricia Duffy, District 5

Ray Sandrock, County Administrator

Kelly Shoemaker, Ass't County Administrator

Tommy Scott, Director, Community Svcs Dept.