

**HOOD COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION
February 26, 2015 MINUTES**

The Hood County Historical Commission (HCHC) met Thursday, February 26, 2015 at **5:00 PM** at the Historic Hood County Courthouse in the first floor Treasurer’s Office (HCHC Museum room), Granbury, TX 76048 and the following items were considered and acted upon:

Call to Order 5:00 PM by Chairman Christy Massey.

1. Roll call to establish quorum.
HCHC Members: Victor Smith, Christy Massey, Becki Barnes, Sylvia Hickey, Charla Taylor, Jewel Thompson, Mary Sutton
Visitors: Jim Sutton, Andrea Sutton
Charla Taylor provided a copy of her Certificate of Course Completion for Open Meetings from the Texas Attorney General

2. Consider approval of Minutes for the previous HCHC meetings
Minutes for the January 29, 2015 HCHC meeting were distributed by secretary Mary Sutton. The Chairman asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Sylvia Hickey made the motion, Charla Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Treasurer’s Report
Victor Smith presented the Treasurer’s report. The Chairman asked for a motion to accept the report. Victor Smith made the motion, Sylvia Hickey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Hood County Historical Commission
 Budget Year: October 1, 2014 through October 31, 2015
 Report for October 1, 2014 through February 26, 2015

This report is being submitted for the February 26, 2015 meeting of the Hood County Historical Commission.

October 1, 2014 to February 23, 2015 YTD

For Account: 2015 010-4090-41210
 Budget for 2014-2015 \$ 7,000.00

Expenses Incurred and Committed		
Education		\$ 200.00
Nellie Robertson Macker	\$ 200.00	
Transportation		\$ -
Publications		\$ -
Equipment		\$ -
Office Supplies		\$ -
Fund Raising		\$ -
Total Expense	Incurred and Committed	\$ 200.00
Income		
Additional Co. Funds		\$ -
Donations		\$ -
Fund Raisers		\$ -
Total Income		\$ -
Ending Balance of Available Budgetal Funds		\$ 6,800.00
Reserve Fund Account: 2014 010-2070-1551		
On Deposit with Hood County Treasurer for the Benefit of the Commission		
Beginning Balance		\$ 1,320.00
Expenses		\$ -
Ending Balance		\$ 1,320.00

I know of no other expenses, which have been incurred or committed by this Commission as of the date of this report.


 Victor A. Smith
 Treasurer for the 2014-2015 Term
 Hood County Historical Commission

Old Business

1. Update and take appropriate action regarding the 2016 Hood County Sesquicentennial.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Hood County's 150th Birthday Party will be on Saturday, November 5, 2016. One day only.

Focus – Fun!

Venue / Map of Event day should include these locations---

Court House, yard and parking lot.

For certain:

Old Jail at 208 N. Crockett St. (Hood County Museum)

Granbury Depot at 109 East Ewell Street (Hood Co. Historical/Genealogical Society)

Light Plant at 510 Ewell Street, (Granbury Fly Wheelers)

Maybe:

Hood County Library (outside area)

Shanley House (Lake Granbury Art Association)

Funding/Donations

Donations could encompass goods as well as dollar amounts.

Gift certificates from Businesses/Groups of Hood County might be awarded to participants in Sesquicentennial Day events/competitions.

Food/Drink

- **Explore the possibility of getting entities like HEB, Kroger, Brookshires, & Aldi to donate/sponser food and drink items for the one day event.**
- **Lunch: proposed ideas – hotdogs & chicken tenders (11:30 AM to around 1:30 PM)**
- **Drinks all day long: Tea, lemonade, water**
- **Sweets**
- **Chuckwagon demonstration/fare if available.**

Time

9 or 10 A.M. to 5 or 6 P.M.

If there is a “street dance” maybe till 10 P.M.

Parade(???)

**Only if a Volunteer Group runs/organizes/executes it.
Such as the Hood County Sheriff's Posse**

Entertainment suggestions:

Band stand suggestions

- Local Bands/maybe some school ensembles from the county high schools.
- Fiddling Contest

Courtroom

Story Telling

Cowboy Poets

Courthouse parking lot

Street dance

Multiple Venues for suggested competitions and games--

Judging needed for the following suggestions:

- Games –adult & children
- Period dress competition
- Pie/cake (Hood County Theme) or Fudge
- “Photo booth” with period dress available
- Beard Growing
- “Jail” – pay to put in jail, pay to get out of jail (only if another group will organize and manage it)

Prizes

Gift Certificates

Art/pottery (possibly Lake Granbury Art Association could be approached about this)

Keepsake items suggested:

HCHC might use these items to make money or other groups could produce them for their own profit.

- Tee Shirts (logo and date)
- Plate/cup/glass
- Note Cards with historic pictures
- Cook book
- Christmas ornaments (a design competition????)

Event Calendar 2016

Nov 5th 2016 noted as event day

All towns/communities/areas included

Preparation – enthusiasm

Articles/media/community outreach, etc

- Hood County News – Nancy Pricer
- KPIR – radio
- WEB/Internet: facebook, Granbury Nostalgia, Clock winding film
- Thursday afternoons at the Courthouse in the HCHC room -have a HCHC member and possibly volunteers keep the Museum Room open for interviews/share pictures.
- Posters

- Signs
- Ghost Stories from around the county
- Former Sheriff's tales

Hood County group involvement – work/entertainment/sponsor

Masons Churches Kiwanis Lions Rotary Colony Cemetery County businesses -all	DAR Sons of Am. Revolution Sons of Confed. Vets HGMA Women's Club Shriners	LGMC Durants Wolf Hollow/Exelon Luminent Fire Departments Lake G Art Assoc Nursing Homes
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Brochures

Sylvia's County Map
 Vic's Museum Room
 Courthouse Tour – Mary

Calendar

Needed by November of 2015
 Distribute all over the county
 Include photos from all over the county
 Historical facts/dates
 Town/area/bigshindig celebrations

Book (s)

- Hard cover – Historical/genealogical Society has permission to reprint the picture book. K. Nace is working on this.
- E-book (suggestion)
- Cook book (suggestion)
- Soft cover book (suggestion)

Youth Involvement

All county schools
 Book marks with historical information & event dates
 Some kind of contest for posters/articles/books

Scavenger Hunt

When – early fall? 2016
 County Historical sites
 Proof of visit = selfie or 3rd word of 3rd line on the marker
 School Teams
 Prizes – by age group

Areas/Towns Assist with events- not take over events

Compose letters to offer brochures assistance, add their date to our advertising/calendar of events

- Cresson
- Lipan
- Tolar
- Acton (Nature Center)
- Paluxy
- Waples
- DeCordova
- Thorp Springs

Cemetery Associations

- Thorp Springs
- Nubbin Ridge
- Rock Church
- Fall Creek
- Center Mill
- The Colony

Homecomings

- Mambrino
- Granbury High School

Details

City of Granbury rules & regulations regarding events

Insurance

Number of people attending

County

Don Linney in Road Operations

Street Barricades

Trash containers & collection

Old Jail Museum – Hood County Museum, Inc. volunteers.

Granbury Depot – Historical/Genealogical Society volunteers.

Light Plant - Granbury Fly-Wheeler volunteers.

Green Area next to Library/Shanley House

Map for Venues

Hood County News

and Handouts

\$Funding/Participation*

Letters (2)

- \$Donations
- *Gift Certificates, other items
- *Participation in games
- \$*Meet with them in person
- \$Food/Drink/Sweets
- \$*Venue
 - Tent(s)??
 - Table(s)??
- \$Chuck Wagon
- *Parade????
- *Judges
- *Competitions
- \$*Estimate of Celebration Visitors/Party Goers
- \$*Description of activities

New Business

1. Closing remarks by Chairman and members.

Regarding having some small outdoor lawn signs printed to place outside when the courthouse is open on weekends during special events, Christy Massey made the motion to spend \$50 (not to exceed \$50) to have “Open for Tour” signs printed. Victor Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The March 21, 2015, weekend event for Texas Independence Day was discussed.

Christy Massey asked if HCHC still was willing to host the courthouse from 12 noon to 5 P.M. on Saturday, March 21st. Victor Smith made the motion to host the courthouse from 12 noon to 5 P.M. on March 12th. Becki Barnes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Becki noted that some Key Club students at the high school had signed up to help on that Saturday.

2. Consider and designate the date, time, & place of next meeting.
March 26, 2015, 5 P.M., Hood County Courthouse, HCHC Room, first floor, old Treasurer’s office.

Adjourn 6:00 PM