



Clay County Historic Preservation Board

Nov. 18, 2014

Present: Cynthia Cheatwood, Gayward Hendry, Cynthia Stone, Jerry Casale, Julia Cramer, Marilyn Haddock

Absent- Pat Mueller, Carolyn Morgan, William Randall

The meeting convened at 6:07 PM.

The minutes were read and discussed. Meetings were not approved due to a question of whether there was a quorum at the last meeting when votes were taken.

Cramer explained that the county will not pay for the Black History Month calendar discussed last month because the calendars were to be a give-away. This means the board cannot proceed with that project.

Discussion of the Ft. Heileman sign was brief due to absence of Stone. Lacking a text of the sign the board could not proceed. Cramer will check with Angela Goodermote about the sign wording.

The Geiger historical marker was next on the agenda. Cramer suggests Elsbeth Geiger as a speaker for the ceremony to dedicate the sign. Cheatwood reported that the state had sent a message to let the board know that the sign was on the agenda for the Dec. 9th meeting. Hendry mentioned there would be a meeting at Penny Farms on 11/20 to share the Geiger story.

Casale learned about a publicity possibility for Ft. Heileman in the form of a circuit brochure obtained by a grant. Cramer moved that Casale work toward getting Ft. Heileman listed on the Seminole Wars Trail map done with the Seminole Wars Historical Foundation. Hendry seconded. This map would then list the site as one of many in the state impacted by the Seminole Wars.

Preservation Month was next on the agenda. Discussion was made to change the format from having all boroughs participate to something more manageable. Haddock made a motion to make the Geiger sign ceremony and a county historical preservation map the focus of 2015's preservation month. Casale seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Haddock reported that Green Cove has decided to demolish the city hall and rework the pool. All 2015 there will be no pool in Green Cove. The design is not finalized for the new pool.

Casale is working on more Ft. Heileman's history. He found a widow's pension of Andrew Ross. When it comes to applying for a marker for him that may help the board get him one. That would mark the cemetery at Ft. Heileman and give credence to preserving the area. The pension papers will indicate if there were any kids and give more information.

Cramer is looking into alternate sites for the board's meeting. There will not be a meeting in December. The next meeting will be Jan. 20th at a place to be announced.

Cheatwood moved and Haddock approved adjouring at 7:05 PM.