

CUERO HERITAGE MUSEUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

Monday, August 16, 2021 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Cuero Heritage Museum * 124 E. Church Street

Members Present: Joe L. Sheppard, Joe Reuss, Wayne Adickes, Rev. Taylor, Rafael Acosta, Victor Mathis, Peggy Ledbetter, Angie Cuellar, Museum Manager Amber Fitts Jones,

Guest Present: Bill Hickey, Sandra Osman

- Call to Order: 12:05 by Joe L. Sheppard
- Approval of the Minutes – Wayne Adickes moved to approve July minutes with correction of removing Liz Heiser from roll call she was not present, Joe Reuss 2nd motioned, all in favor motioned carried correction to July minutes will be made.
- Introduction of Potential Committee Member- Joe Reuss introduced Mr. Bill Hickey as potential new board member, Mr. Hickey accepted appointment
- Financial Report-No financial report submitted at this time
- Discuss Cuero’s 150 Anniversary Meeting-Cuero’s 150-year celebration will be start in 2023, Amber presented a budget for the celebration of events that will be submitted to the City for a request of \$40,000 in Hotel/Motel tax funds to help cover the cost of advertising, signage, exhibits and other costs. Wayne made a motion to include the cost up to \$6000 to pay a researcher to research and seek out important history covering the last 150 years to use in exhibits and events. Rev. Taylor second the motion all in favor and motioned carried. Amber will add that to the 150th Anniversary Budget.
- Cuero Heritage Museum
 - Updating the Football Exhibit and Going Digital- Director Amber Fitts Jones reports she is waiting on the touch screen materials she has researched and found materials she can order but is waiting on Tony with city’s IT department to get back with her on his input. Amber has emailed Tony but has not heard any response. Equipment will cost around \$2500. Wayne moved to that if Amber has not heard from city’s IT department, that she goes ahead and orders the touch screen by September’s meeting. Angie seconded motion and all were in favor motioned carried.
 - Current Exhibit: Cuero Artist Extravaganza – Last Day: August 14, Amber reports that there was a good turn out to view the exhibit during the Fun after Five event and that 6-7 pieces were sold with some donating their proceeds back to the Museum. Exhibit is now completed.
 - Next Exhibit: Family Heirlooms: “A Special Piece of Time”- Request is being advertised and made for people to bring in family heirlooms. The exhibit will start at the end of August and be up until mid-Nov. after Veterans Day.
- Pharmacy and Medical Museum of Texas
 - Update On Installation of Exhibits Downstairs and Upstairs- the museum has hired an hourly person to work on exhibits and jobs such as painting and building tables and shelving for upstairs. Amber and Joe Reuss report the project is coming along nicely, Mr. Reuss suggested that we look into a more durable flooring in the doctor’s study, much like that was used in the Dental room upstairs.
- Other Old Business-Sandra Osman presented proposal from Rafael Acosta to start on 4x10 canvas murals art project located on 130 E. Main Reuss Bldg. Joe Sheppard asked the proposal to be looked over by the City Attorney. Rafael moved to have the city attorney review the proposal, Wayne Adickes seconded all in favor and the motioned carried.

- New Business-Appointment of Bill Hickey as a new museum board member. Mr. Hickey was asked to step out, Peggy Ledbetter moved that the board accepted Mr. Hickey's nomination to the board Rev. Taylor seconded motioned carried. Welcome Mr. Bill Hickey to the museum board approval will go before council at the next City Council meeting in September.
- Adjourn- Meeting Adjourned at 12:55
- Next meeting September 13th at the Cuero Heritage Museum

Minutes submitted by Angie Cuellar