

**Minutes of Meeting  
Coppell Historical Society  
September 9, 2017**

Present: Don Carter, Pete Wilson, Lloyd A. Webb, Joyce Webb, Margie Ledbetter, Virginia Albright Polser, Melvin C. "Eddie" Stewart, Frances Stewart, Jim Loupas, Elizabeth Loupas, Phil LaBerge, Patti Carpenter, Pat Lambert, Pat Quinlan, Ron L. Chapman, Jean Murph, Cecil Dobecka, Jan M. Lorrain, Eleanor Otto, Betsy Wilcox, Sue Miller, Jackie Parrish, Cliff Long, David Ogle, Lucinda Plumlee, Dave Murph

The meeting was called to order in the Kirkland House at 1:01 p.m. by President Don Carter.

Dave Murph and Pat Quinlan demonstrated a restored artifact – a 1939 cabinet radio that has been donated to the Society by Eleanor Otto. It has been repaired and operates. Ms. Otto has also donated a crank-operated phonograph. The artifacts will be located in the restored Ihnfeldt House.

A program was presented by Joyce Ledbetter Webb, whose family owned land between Coppell and Carrollton along East Beltline Road. Joyce related memories of her relatives, her home, and events taking place during her life on the Ledbetter farm, including attending Bethel School.

The business meeting started at 1:35 p.m.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved. Moved by Lloyd Webb; seconded by Sue Miller.

The treasurer's report by Jan Lorrain showed the following:

City Grant Fund		
Beginning balance		\$16,657.32
Expenses:		
Supplies for Pioneer Days	194.16	
Work on Ihnfeldt House:		
Electrician	648.50	
Horatio Garcia	1,300.00	
Painter	800.00	
A/C Units	1,368.60	
Home Depot	298.10	
Miscellaneous	22.39	
Repair of Radio	286.75	
Historical Marker	2,318.20	
Total Expenses		7,220.89
Ending Balance		\$9,436.43

General Fund

Beginning balance		\$2,616.37
Income:		
Fundraiser	55.00	
Sale of items in Ihnfeldt House	15.00	
Ending Balance		\$2,686.37

The treasurer's report was accepted. Moved by Lloyd Webb; seconded by Sue Miller.

#### Committee Reports:

Archives. Dave Murph reported that the committee has moved the many files to their new location in file cabinets at the library.

Acquisitions. Pat Quinlan reported no additional items accepted. She reported that junk items from the Ihnfeldt House were sold.

Ihnfeldt House. Jean Murph reported that the electrical supply to the Ihnfeldt House has been established. The inside air conditioner units have been purchased. Painting of the inside walls has been completed.

Historical Markers. Pete Wilson reported that the latest marker has been installed near the railroad depot site, just outside the Life Safety Park. The Society agreed that the Marker Committee should pursue having a plaque made for the Ihnfeldt House, similar to those on the Kirkland House and Minyard Store.

Education. Jean Murph thanked the docents for all their hard work and Betsy Wilcox for maintaining the schedule for open houses.

The archeological items now in the display case at the Senior Center have been donated to the Society by Jan Lorrain.

The November archeological dig may possibly take place around the Ihnfeldt House.

The printing of hard copies of the Fourth Grade History Lessons, composed and provided by the Society, are currently out for bids.

#### New Business:

Pete Wilson suggested a change in Society policy regarding the use of photographs in our collection. He suggested there be no charge for obtaining digital copies of the photos under most circumstance. Commercial requests will be handled separately. Betsy Wilcox moved and Pat Quinlan seconded a motion to this effect. It passed unanimously.

Phil LeBerge reported that a representative from the Museum of the American Railroad in Frisco is willing to speak to the Society regarding the railroad as it relates to Coppell. The Education Committee will work our scheduling.

Phil LeBerge also reported that his latest paper on the pronunciation of “Coppell” is almost finished.

Jan Lorrain mentioned that dues are due.

The nominating committee presented its recommendations for officers for the coming year, as follows:

President – Patti Carpenter  
First Vice-President (Programing/Education) – Pat Lambert  
Second Vice-President (Archives) – Ron L. Chapman  
Recording Secretary – Pete Wilson  
Corresponding Secretaries – Barbara Lee & Jackie Parrish  
Membership Secretary – Shaun Jex

Committee Chairpersons:  
Archives – Ron L. Chapman  
Docents – Phil LaBerge  
Heritage Park – Pat Quinlin  
Historic Markers – Pete Wilson

Past President/Website – Don Carter

There being no nominations from the floor, Jean Murph moved and Martha-Allison seconded a motion that the slate be accepted by acclamation. The motion was approved unanimously.

Open Forum:

Sue Miller explained that she has badly cut her finger and that is why she favors it in meetings.

Martha-Allison Blewer moved and Pat Quinlan seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.