

**FREEPORT HISTORICAL MUSEUM FOUNDATION  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2018 10:00 AM  
FREEPORT HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
311 E. PARK AVENUE  
FREEPORT, TEXAS**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to order**

Mr. Hickey called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.

**2. Roll call**

Members attending the meeting were recorded as follows:

- Nat Hickey, President
- Brenda Laird, Vice President
- Brenda George, Board member
- Carmen Read, Board member
- LeAnn Strahan, Secretary
- Sandra Barbree, Treasurer
- Edith Fischer, Brazosport Area Chamber of Commerce
- Wendy Mazurkewicz, Freeport LNG

**3. Approval of Minutes**

With a motion by Ms. Laird and a second by Mrs. George, the Board unanimously approved minutes for the following meetings:

- a. Special Meeting June 22, 2018
- b. September 27, 2018

**4. Project Updates**

**a. Facial Reconstruction Project**

Ms. Strahan updated the Board and guests on the upcoming facial reconstruction project, sharing the scheduled dates between March 25 – April 6, 2019. Ms. Strahan explained that she had invited Ms. Mazurkewicz from FLNG in hopes we could gain support for a time lapse video of the two week project. Ms. Mazurkewicz advised her to obtain a quote for future discussion. Mr. Hickey explained to the Board that the Chamber has graciously agreed to market and promote the event, leading to discussion of organizations to contact. Ms. Laird suggested we contact Deborah Duncan of KHOU News. Ms. Barbree agreed to assist in sharing information with the local schools, while Mr. Hickey suggested Brazosport College. Ms. Mazurkewicz suggested specific areas at the college, such as the CTE programs, and the Historical, Law and Art Departments. Ms. George included Angleton ISD.

**b. DOW Grant Status – Digital Media**

Ms. Strahan reported to the Board that she is still waiting for approval regarding the alternative proposal she submitted to DOW regarding the 2017 Community Grant we received.

**c. Signage at the Museum**

Ms. Strahan reported that she is working on quotes for outdoor signage for the museum, and needed confirmation on the logo wording. The Board agreed that we should remove the word “Foundation” from the current logo and add the approved phrase “Connection with the Past” in its place. Mr. Hickey suggested Blueline Shop could do our signage for a reasonable price.

**5. Special Events Updates**

**a. October – Haunted House**

Ms. Strahan reported that the Haunted House has a slow start on Friday due to local sporting events, but Saturday has a large crowd and the support of many volunteers. She hopes for a great turnout for Halloween, the final night.

**b. December - Nutcracker Market**

Ms. Strahan updated the Board on the status of the Nutcracker Market. With budget cuts we will not host a buffet dinner inside the museum, but will instead keep all festivities outside. Staff has secured several local school performances to be on stage and a large number of vendors confirmed. We will show a nutcracker movie in the park at dusk and have carriage rides in the afternoon. Discussion ensued about an ornament station for hands on activities. Ms. Strahan will have staff look at simple and cost efficient ideas.

**6. Discuss Possible Sale of Hickey House**

This item was tabled pending the appraisal.

**7. Board Member Reports**

Ms. George reported that at a recent STOP rally she had a STEM booth that was jointly hosted by DOW and Communities in Schools. She suggested we invite Donna Montez with CIS and Mr. Massey from BISD to our January Board meeting to discuss plans for a joint event or exhibit at the museum to promote STEM and STEMI and improving our grant eligibility.

**8. Items for Future Discussion**

- Hickey House appraisal and possible sale
- Museum Board Christmas Party – December 13, 2018 – 6:00pm

**9. Schedule next Board meeting**

The next Board meeting was scheduled for November 28, 2018 at 10:00am. There will be no December meeting.

**10. Adjourn**