



MINUTES

DALLAS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

December 18, 2024

Commission Chair Elizabeth Gunby called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m. This meeting was held at the Aldredge House, Dallas, Texas, 75214.

Members present: Elizabeth Gunby, Anthony Cornell, Christopher Cornell, Jearlene Miller, John Roppolo, Roosevelt Nichols, Coy Poitier, Joan Jackson Bouldin, Patricia Hicks, Cheryl Jackson, and Deah Berry Mitchell

Members absent: Yasir Arafat and Priscilla Escobedo

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Gunby welcomed all members and attendees, and noted a quorum was present. Blanca Gonzalez with Commissioner Daniel and Socorro Salazar with Commissioner Garcia were in attendance.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of November 20, 2024, Minutes

Chair Gunby requested a motion to approve the November 20, 2024, DCHC meeting minutes. A motion to approve the November 2024 minutes was made by Mr. C. Cornell and seconded by Mr. A. Cornell. The minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Committee Reports

a. Newsletter Committee (Obj. 1a, b, c)

Mr. A. Cornell prepared an article and is working on two more articles for the newsletter. Chair Gunby and Ms. Hicks are preparing an article together to submit for the February 2025 newsletter.

b. Marker Committee (Obj. 5, 6)

Mr. Roppolo reported that the White Rock Cemetery marker dedication scheduled for December 14th was postponed due to rain. Mr. Roppolo recommended members read an article by Sharon Grigsby about White Rock Cemetery. Mr. C. Cornell suggested publishing marker narratives in the newsletter. Marker dedications will be shared with the group as information becomes available.

c. Events/Outreach Committee (Obj. 2, 4)

No report. Chair Gunby requested to announce the upcoming Legacies Conference on the DCHC website. The DCHC will distribute a handout with marker application information and marker deadlines along with a few copies of the newsletters.

d. Social Media

No report. Ms. Hicks will send Mr. Poitier information for a social media post.

5. Appointments and Re-appointments:

The County Judge, Commissioner Price and Commissioner Daniel have eligible board appointment vacancies. Chair Gunby announced that her last meeting as chair is next month. Ms. Miller will serve as Chair of the DCHC along with Mr. C. Cornell as Vice-Chair.

6. Future Agenda Items

No items were discussed.

7. Upcoming Meetings

The next meeting will be held January 15, 2025, at the Oak Cliff Government Center, Dallas, Texas, 75203.

8. Adjourn

Chair Gunby adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.