

**BREVARD COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 23, 2021**

**Members Present**

Jane Beach, District V  
Paula Beckner, District I  
George Kistner, District IV – Chair  
Margaret Goude-lock, District IV  
Martha Loss, District IV  
Henry Parrish, District II  
Jack Ratterman, District II – Co-Chair  
Molly Thomas, District II

**Others Present**

Michael Boonstra, Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Library, Librarian II Genealogy and Archives  
Tammy Moon, Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Library, Librarian I Genealogy and Archives

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:19 pm, by the Chair, Mr. Kistner.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Ms. Goude-lock, seconded by Ms. Beckner, to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2021 Commission Meeting. ***Motion unanimously carried.***

A motion was made by Ms. Beckner, seconded by Ms. Thomas, to approve the agenda. ***Motion unanimously carried.***

**Public Comments**

None.

**Archivist Report**

Michael reported continuation of multiple projects, as well as large increases in both in person patrons and virtual requests in the department. He also mentioned another historical piece he is assisting with about the south/Grant area of the county. A continued discussion regarding Americans with Disabilities Act compliance of the oral history transcripts followed. Molly Thomas believes they might not pose too much of an issue. Michael to send her a transcript to see if she can make it easily compliant.

**New Business**

No new business.

## **Old Business**

Molly Thomas discussed the Indian River Journal Progress. She reports decisions will need to be made about the shape, style, size, thickness, and the amount of times it will be published.

Another consideration is to set parameters for the word count and size of the articles. Paula Beckner suggested one recurring article could be book reviews of local historical books. For the next meeting, Molly Thomas will have a completed mock up, for which Michael Boonstra will then run a cost analysis.

George Kistner reported on Heritage Park. The group scheduled to go out to the shotgun house storage area to shore up and secure was a success. The group included Roz Foster, George Kistner, Jack Ratterman, Henry Parrish, and members of the North Brevard Heritage Foundation. It is speculated that another work date will need to be arranged in the near future to cut back brush and continue work on the houses.

## **Commissioners' Reports**

Molly Thomas reports the Ais Village Trail Group has continued digs, despite many issues, in hopes of raising awareness of the group and the Ais people and history. Molly has suggested the group might want to contact Roz Foster and Bob Gross.

The next meeting will be held April 27, 2021 at Catherine Schweinsberg Rood Central Library, Second Floor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.