SEMINOLE COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING

October 20, 2005

The regular monthly meeting of the Seminole County Historical Commission was held on September 15, 2005, at the Museum of Seminole County History located at 300 Bush Blvd. Sanford, Florida. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman John Bistline at 3:05 p.m.

Members Present: John Bistline, Alex Dickison, Don Epps, Lillian Griffin, Robert Hughes, Cecil Tucker, Phil Tua, Paul Zuromski, and Karen Jacobs from Library and Leisure Services.

Absent: Linda Batman, Sandra Carroll, Fred Gaines, Ettie Jane Keogh, Robert Hughes, Eunice Mann, David Miller and Bonnie Ward.

Announcements:

The September minutes were approved.

Karen announced the Florida Times Union books are now available to buy. All proceeds go to the building fund.

The Sanford Museum and our Museum are working together to utilize old records from a local funeral home.

Karen informed the Commission there will be a new button on the Museum's web site concerning research.

CD's were suggested to sell for the cemetery book. This would have to be discussed with Bonnie Ward and the Historical Society.

Historical Markers:

Farmer's Market- (to be placed at the restaurant)
Wagner- John Bistline
Gabriella- waiting to be installed (until trail is completed)
Hospital: final text was completed
Midway: final text was completed
Lake Mary Presbyterian Church: Ettie Jane to furnish information
Bradlee-McIntyre House- Longwood- final text was completed

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Discussions ensued about corrections to the Midway, Bradlee-McIntyre House and Hospital markers. Final text was completed for all three markers.

Bits of History:

Cecil Tucker gave his account of visiting Oakridge Experimental Laboratory in Tennessee during 1956. These laboratories were closely guarded during that time frame.

Society Report:

Alex shared that the Historical Society raised \$1700 in one day from the Appraisal Fair held in Lake Mary. They will be having another one in February of 2006. The location will be determined at a later date. The building fund now has \$3,500.

A custom letter can be picked up, sent or carried to individual businesses for sponsorships for the building fund raiser.

On November 15, 2005 Robin Chapman will be speaking at the Society's general meeting. This evening meeting will be held at The Cooperative Extension auditorium.

St. Lucia needs volunteers. Lake Mary Elementary chorus will be singing.

Grants:

John Bistline reported that the grant cycle review will be the week of November 8-10, 2005. Karen has not heard of this date but will check with Suzy Goldman.

Museum Report:

Karen reported that we have a great Toy Exhibit now showing and in January we have an alligator exhibit. We need better publicity for these traveling exhibits.

MAP Report: Museum Assessment Program is a critique from another History Professional. This is due in February.

Seminole County Historical Commission Minutes October 20, 2005 Karen reported how important it is for the processing room to be air conditioned. This is needed so the Sanford Herald hard bound copies can be stored on site with written permission from the Sanford Herald.

Bulletin Boards are a top priority as well. Karen would like to have these completed before the MAP staff arrives in 2006.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:05.