

## **Old Florida Heritage Highway Minutes May 21, 2015 – No Quorum Present**

Present: Scott Richardson, OFHH President; Ann Stacy, FL Community Design Center, OFHH Membership Committee; Ashley Wood and Freddie Wood, Evinston; Matt Bledsoe, PPPSP Assistant Manager; Debrah Miller, FDOT District Coordinator; GRU; Kathleen Pagan, County Staff

Call to Order at 6:00 pm; March 2015 Minutes Ok'd.

President's report- Scott Richardson stated that with further thought after the March meeting, he did not think as out-going President he should send the email about Election of Officers. Following brief discussion since the Bylaws allow for electronic voting, it was decided FDOT consultant will send the message via email regarding the election. Proposed slate will be shown. Other candidates may be write-ins. The email information will allow 10 days for reply. A non-response presumes agreement. Staff will coordinate.

Ashley Wood mentioned he made a deposit of \$795 from the Fish Fry proceeds. Scott reported a total balance over \$1100.

### Membership & Fundraising Report-

Micanopy Fall Harvest Festival – Consensus is OFHH should apply for 2015 Festival. Kathleen will work on items for donations and membership incentives. Dog toys and bandanas will be included. She will discuss with VisitGainesville staff if the bandanas (for people) with byway maps might be funded.

Antique Appraisal and Evinston Paint Out Event- There was some discussion and next week the Evinston Wood and Swink Preservation Society will determine if a 2015 Paint Out is scheduled. The possibility of combined event may be discussed. Scott will need to check if UMC Fellowship Hall could be used for appraisal venue. Kathleen has spoken with an art appraiser willing to volunteer who requires an internet connection. Schedule soon after Micanopy Festival was mentioned in order to share info with the public.

July 25 History Event at the Matheson Museum- OFHH was invited to participate. If videos are possible we will show the Bartram history video funded by NSB program for the William Bartram Byway. Staff will coordinate.

State Byway Coordinator's Report- Debrah Miller mentioned that the main requirements are Letter of Intent, Map and Letters of Support. There is also requirement to demonstrate Economic Benefit and state consultant Wanda Maloney told Kathleen Pagan this can be achieved with letters of support from local businesses. Ashley Wood mentioned that we can consider an electronic vote on whether to pursue extension. Staff will collect information and report. Debrah Miller also reported on the simplified requirements of the State Byway Program. The Work Plan and Annual Report will be the ongoing requirements.

Roundtable- Matt Bledsoe provided an update on the Visitor's Center project, to include ADA and entrance improvements. He also mentioned David Jowers will retire in April 2016.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 pm.