

Bedias Women's Club Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: February 27, 2020

Members Present: 18 **Visitors Present:** 1

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m. by President, Mackie Bobo-White. Welcoming and opening ceremonies followed.

Program: Guest speaker was County Commissioner Chad Mallett. Chad provided a very informative overview of the County Commissioners responsibilities. Commissioners Court sets the County Budget and oversees Department Heads that are not elected officials (County Engineer, Director of Human Resources, IT Director, Veteran Services, Environmental, Maintenance Director, and Emergency Management Coordinator). There is a new Unit System which the maintenance of the roads is now overseen by the County Engineer. This allows for more even distribution of funds for maintenance and a priority system for road improvements. Budget has been significantly increased for the Road and Bridge Department that has enabled them to add two Drainage Crews. Great strides have been made in getting the water off roads therefore reducing costly road repairs and enabling funds to be allocated to other road improvements. A salary structure for County employees has been implemented which has brought salaries to market value and reduced turnover. A new Justice Center is currently under construction which will add courtrooms and reduce the backlog of cases. Two District Courts, County Court, AG Court, and Juvenile Court are being paid for out of the Fund Balance with no additional taxes.

Chad answered questions from the audience.

Refreshments followed the program.

Business Meeting

Minutes for January 23, 2020 were emailed to membership

Motion to accept Minutes made by Rhonda Stockton

Motion seconded by Rita Chapman

Motion passed by the Membership

Treasury Report given by Jackie Taylor

Balance as of 1/31/2020: \$1,918.42

Hostesses:

March 26th-----Mackie Bobo-White and Shell Bobo

April 16th-----Joan Gulling and Jackie Taylor

May 28th-----Elaine Morris and Dorothy Crowson

June 25th-----Anita Aldridge and Kay McDonald

July 23rd-----Sharon Haefy, Sharon King, and Diane Novakosky

August 27th-----Loraine Kuehn and Pam Moore

September 24th----Donna Thompson and Donna Hohon

October 22nd-----Patti Harwell and Sandy Peterson

Membership – If you are not sure if you have paid your dues please check with Michelle Bobo.

Future Meetings:

March 26th-----Cooking Class – Demo by Mackie Bobo-White

April 16th-----Afternoon Tea – Note date change for this meeting only

May 28th-----Gardening – Master Gardners will be here to share information

Bake Sale May 8th – the Friday before Mother’s Day

June 25th-----Bedias/Grimes County History

New Business:

Mackie Bobo-White notified Iola and Madisonville schools letting them know we have two - \$500 Scholarships this year.

Patti Harwell asked for volunteers to fill a few open spots for the Country Market. Patti will call volunteers to schedule a meeting next month.

There was a discussion on keeping the calling tree for membership notifications. Shell will divide the Membership List into four sections. Judy Kent, Dorothy Crowson, Joan Gulling, and Patti Harwell have agreed to continue the calling tree.

Motion to have a Bedias Women’s Club table at the Bedias 2020 Homecoming scheduled for June 20, 2020 was made by Mackie Bobo-White.

Motion seconded by Donna Thompson

Motion passed by Membership

Membership Sharing:

Mackie Bobo-White challenged each member to bring a friend to a meeting this year.

Mackie Bobo-White asked the Officers to stay after the meeting to review the updated By-laws to be presented to membership at our next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting made by Mackie Bobo-White

Motion seconded by Dorothy Crowson

Motion passed by Membership

Respectfully submitted,

Dannette Miller