

# **DOWNTOWN MANCHESTER MOVEMENT STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Date and Time: 9:00 AM March 09, 2019

Location: Coffee County Historical Society Offices in the Historic Courthouse

## Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Downtown Manchester Movement Steering Committee (DMMSC) was called to order by Chairman Steve West at 9:08 with the following members in attendance: Steve West, Jamie Sain, Beverly Vetter, Evans Baird, Ellen Fletcher and Ray Amos. Button Dale, Curator of the Joana Lewis Museum of Coffee County History, also attended. Absent were Kevin Jones, Bridget Anderson, Ryan French, Mark Messick, John Mancini, and Katie Riddle and Allison Dotson.

## Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

## Courthouse Repairs.

Historic Preservation Fund Grant: Beverly reported that she reached out to a local painting contractor for an estimate and county government for answers about the county funding the matching funds in the 60/40 match, but they did not return calls in time to apply for this year's grant.

## Downtown Enhancements

- A. Ellen Fletcher has a contact who works in the lighting industry and who has expressed an interest in lighting for the Courthouse exterior. Ellen will follow up on details including the possibility of a reduction in the cost of the lights and installation. The Committee issued an invitation to her friend to attend a DMMSC meeting to present her ideas to the entire group.

## Upcoming Events

- A. Panballou: The date for the fourth annual Pancake breakfast has not been set, but it will be in conflict with the Dusty Elam Fund-Raiser. Moneys left from last year's Panballou will be used to purchase hanging baskets for downtown street lights.
- B. Ice Cream Social: Plans are underway for an Ice Cream Social, tentative date, July 4, 2019. With proceeds going to the Courthouse. Button Dale agreed to delay the grand opening of the Joanna Lewis Museum until the day of the Ice Cream Social. The museum will have a "soft opening" on 11 May and will be open Thursday-Saturday 9 – 1.

Tourism Concert: The Rubiks Groove concert was a great success with roughly 300 people attending. The next concert is April 12, 2019 featuring the band Vinyl Radio.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 on a motion by Ellen Fletcher.

**NEXT MEETING 9:00 AM FRIDAY, April 05, 2019 at the Church @ 117.**