

## Penatuhkah Comanche Trails Partnership

### MINUTES

March 20, 2023

Comanche and Zoom

11:00 am – 1:00 pm CDT

#### Attendance:

Linda Frank	DeLeon, Texas
Rose Taylor	DeLeon, Texas
Lana Parsons	DeLeon, Texas
Tjwanah Smith	DeLeon, Texas
Gary Blake	Brownwood, Texas
Susan Reynolds	Goldthwaite, Texas
Brenda Brooks	Goldthwaite, Texas
Bob Reynolds	Bangs, Texas
Frank Hilton	Brownwood, Texas
Martha Cupp	Brownwood, Texas
Jerry Blankenship	San Saba, Texas
Denise Hudson-Brian	Early, Texas
Bobby Brian	Early, Texas
Eddie Cox	Comanche, Texas
Virginia Fleming	Comanche, Texas
Kesleigh Boone	Comanche, Texas
Becca Jackson	Comanche, Texas
Sherry Alford	Rising Star, Texas
Tommy Alford	Rising Star, Texas
Jerry Leonard	DeLeon, Texas
Judy Leonard	DeLeon, Texas
Suzanne Polk	San Marcos, Texas ZOOM
Burgess Weaver	Santa Anna, Texas
Bill Modawell	Brownwood, Texas
Janice Modawell	Brownwood, Texas
Montie Guthrie	Santa Anna, Texas
Sandra Guthrie	Santa Anna, Texas

Executive Director Montie Guthrie called the meeting to order at 11:05 am at the Comanche, Texas Homestead Hall meeting area. The group was welcomed to Comanche by Virginia Fleming, Executive Director of Comanche Chamber of Commerce.

Guthrie asked the participants to introduce themselves and to update the group on any new developments in their area that advanced the mission of the Partnership.

- After introductions, the group moved to the old business. Fleming reported on the Executive Committee meeting held after the February 28 meeting in Early:
- Becca Jackson reported that the presentation designed to bring City Councils up to date on the Trails project was complete and ready to show. Guthrie encouraged members to set up times for the presentation to be done in the various cities.
- Discussion was opened concerning the interpretive signage in each city. The discussion ranged over into how to build the map using each city's sites/sites all the way to how to decide which site/sites to designate. Guthrie encouraged all partners to locate site/sites around their city.
- Lori Dodd was not in attendance due to a schedule conflict to report on the trails map and brochure.
- Kandice Harris was not in attendance to report on the Facebook page.

Moving to the agenda item of new business,

- Guthrie reported on the progress of the Eastern Trail in the city of Dallas where the Dallas City Council voted to petition the Comanche Nation to designate a Traditional Cultural Property on the Trinity River.
- Fleming proposed that the Partnership consider some sort of membership fee for the member cities, perhaps based on population or some sort of pro-rated basis. The idea was well-received, and the partnership decided to table the idea for future discussion.
- Alfred Evans presented an update on the status of San Antonio Professional Tour Organization including presenting the Trails Partnership a large medallion signifying the Trails' membership in the SAPTO.
- Guthrie also brought up the earlier suggested "Grand Opening" of the trails in summer or in fall. Denise Hudson-Brian laid out a proposal for Early to host the grand opening at the Early Visitor Center during the month of November. Susan Reynolds outlined her proposal that Goldthwaite host the opening at the Botanical Garden in Goldthwaite also in November. After the two members explained their proposals, the group discussed and then tabled the question. Guthrie invited any other city to make their own proposal.

Guthrie then asked for volunteers to host the next meeting. The next meeting will be at 11 am April 17 at the Botanical Garden in Goldthwaite.

Meeting was adjourned to lunch provided by the Comanche Chamber at 12:25.