

Eaton Area Historical Society General Meeting

Monday, November 29, 2021

The Eaton Area Historical Society general meeting was held Monday, November 29, 2021, at 6:30 PM, at the Eaton Rec Center. 11 members were present. President Carolyn Prior opened the meeting and called for the reading of the October 2021 minutes. After one correction, Nancy Donahoo moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Georgia Inloes seconded. Motion carried. Art Meyer followed with the treasurer's report:

EAHS Beginning Balance General Checking(1/1-10/31)

\$8213.73

GC Income

\$1055.00

GC Expenses

\$2081.62

Total

\$7187.11

Carriage House Checking and Raymond James Account(1/1-10/31)

Total Income Balance

\$232,626.24

Total Expenses

\$231,969.26

Net Balance

\$656.98

Carolyn Prior reported that the historical society recently received some generous donations, for which we are very grateful.

Peg Riley's membership report:

20 individual memberships, 24 couple, 17 family, 7 business, 8 lifetime, for a total of 76.

Committee Reports:

History and Research--Nothing new to report .

Museum Care--The painting of the upstairs rooms in the museum is completed. The town will reimburse us \$2600. Laminate flooring for flooring upstairs has been ordered. If it isn't in by December 7, we will postpone putting it in until after December 18. The town will reimburse us for this expense as well. Staging of the rooms is complete and ready for the Christmas Home Tour. Lisa Schreiber, commissioned to clean the museum, worked a total of 13.5 hours. 2 people worked 11 hours and 1 person 2.5 hours. President Carolyn thanked the volunteers who decorated the museum and carriage house. Those volunteers include Susan Nelson, Nomie Ketterling, June Gustafson, Faye Lebsack, Shan Watkins, her friend Kate, Kate's mother and aunt, Carolyn Sutter, Diane Wiedeman, Debbie Bell, Emily Haythorn, Mary Gibbs Jiminez, Diane Holmberg and friend Becky, and Carolyn Prior.

Public Relations--Susan Nelson reported she will remind about the museum/CH being open December 13-18 on the website, Facebook, etc.

Tour of Homes--Donna Ivie reported that everything is ready to go. On December 7 in the Greeley Tribune section called the Day Planner, the Home Tour will be advertised. She wondered if the homeowners should be offered a year's free membership to EAHS like we did in 2019. After discussion Peg Riley moved we do so, Nomie Ketterling seconded. Motion carried. Discussion was had about giving the homeowners a gift card to the Coffeehouse. Carolyn Sutter moved that we give them a \$25 gift card, except for the Methodist Church, which will receive \$50 for the Women's Fellowship group. Diane Holmberg seconded. Motion carried. Carolyn Prior reported the following activities will be offered at the museum; Maddie Garcia's video documentary on Ragtown and Christy Nicholas will provide a spinning wheel demonstration. The hayride has been approved by the town and is ready to go. Donna said that a walk through of the homes will be held Friday, December 10. Volunteers should meet at the museum at 1 PM to carpool to the homes.

Museum Volunteers--Marcia Schmidke and Georgia Inloes reported that the volunteers are lined up for the week of December 13-18. A question was asked about having the museum/CH open in 2022. After discussion Marcia Schmidke moved that the museum/CH be opened to the public on Saturdays from 10-2 in January and February of 2022. Shan Watkins seconded. Motion carried.

Carriage House--Carolyn Prior, reporting for Dick Leffler, reported about a key for the Carriage House. It has been placed in a lock box which needs a code to open. Discussion was held about doing the same for the house museum. Since the back door has to be replaced we will table

this topic until the new door is in.

Old Business:

The Annual Meeting is to be held Saturday, January 15, from 9:30-11:30, at the Eaton Library. Nomie Ketterling reported that arrangements are in place with the library. A brunch was suggested for the event, but Carolyn Sutter wondered if having the Coffeehouse cater the meal might be an alternative.

President Carolyn asked for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. Since no one responded, she will appoint 3 members.

New Business:

Article V. Section 2. of the bylaws states that officers will serve a one year term beginning January 1. Since the Annual Meeting is now held in January the bylaw will need to state that officers will serve a one year term from the January Annual Meeting to the next January Annual Meeting. The written notice of the Annual Meeting needs to be sent out before December 15 this year. A new membership form will be sent with the letter.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Schmidke, Secretary