

Eaton Area Historical Society General Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 24, 2023

The Eaton Area Historical Society general meeting was held Monday, April 24, 2023, at 6:30 PM, at the Eaton Rec Center. 12 members and 2 guests were present. Before the meeting Guest Rich Tucker spoke about the years(1960s) he and his family lived in the house museum.

The EAHS business meeting then began at 7:10 PM. President Carolyn asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from February since they had been emailed to the membership. Dick Leffler so moved, Mary Jimenez seconded. Motion carried. She then called for the treasurer's report. Treasurer Dick Leffler reported the following:

2023 Beginning Balance Checking:	\$57,227.90
2023 Income:	\$ 2,771.00
2023 Expenses:	\$27,612.67
2023 CD:	\$25,000.00
Total Balance including CD:	\$57,386.23

Terrie James moved we accept the treasurer's report as read. Peg Riley seconded. Motion carried.

Membership Chair Mary Jimenez reported that EAHS currently has a membership of 78.

Committee Reports:

Museum Care--Carolyn Prior, reporting for Emily Haythorn, said many new changes are happening at the house museum/CH. They are as follows: new rugs in place in the entryway, upstairs hallway, main bedroom, and library; new curtain sheers in the main and girl's bedrooms; vintage vinyl floor cloth and framed antique flour sack in the old kitchen; Easter postcards, antique bunny and chicks, and tea cup collection on display for Spring; new floral arrangements and faux ferns; more historical sugar beet photos on display in the library; a completion of the cleaning and restaging of the school house display in the CH; new rugs ordered for the CH; and work continues with artist Tom Segura on museum projects.

Fund Raising--Terrie James reported on the upcoming Appraisal event May 6. The minimum donation for each item appraised is \$5. Reservations are encouraged. Walk-ins are welcome. Information about the event can be found on the Community Facebook page. Posters will also be placed around town to advertise the event. Terrie and June Gustafson have planned an activity called "Painting on the Patio" that is scheduled sometime in the near future. Ruth Ann Roberts reported on the plan to sell breakfast burritos prior to the Eaton Days parade on July 8. During the parade the burritos will be sold from the house museum. We have received clearance from the Chamber of Commerce to do this. The Miltons from a restaurant in LaSalle have been contacted about making the burritos. Local restaurants are going to be contacted as well. The suggested

price per burrito is \$5. She will find the best opportunity and report back at the May meeting. Nomie Ketterling moved we spend up to \$350 for the burritos. Ruth Ann Roberts seconded. Motion carried.

Museum Volunteers--Marcia Schmidke reported that any monies collected for donations and/or sold items from the store are to be placed in the money bag in the top drawer beneath the cards' display in the CH.

Archival Sub-committee--Nomie Ketterling reported that she and Shan Watkins are planning to send one box of historical items to the digitizing company to see how digitizing will work for us. Shan reported that the University Of Northern Colorado Archives welcomes visitors and said that any persons in EAHS who would like to tour as a group should let her know and she could make the arrangements.

Old Business--Carolyn Prior reported that the construction of the storage shed has begun and possibly may be done by Sunday.

New Business--Carolyn Prior reported that Artist C. M. Russell's bronze sculpture, "Stagecoach", once displayed at the former Eaton Bank, and donated to EAHS by Independent Bank, is now on display at the Eaton Rec Center. She then reported that the internet, cable, phone company ALLO, which is currently constructing their infrastructure in Eaton, may be able to connect the museum to the internet in August. She reported that since the Last Monday in May falls on Memorial Day, the May meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, May 22, 2023, at 6:30 PM. She reminded us that there will be a June meeting, but no meetings in July and August.

Dick Leffler moved we adjourn. Terrie James seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Schmidke, Secretary