

Eaton Area Historical Society General Meeting Minutes - Monday, March 25, 2024

The Eaton Area Historical Society general meeting was held Monday, March 25, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Eaton Area Community Center. 9 members were present.

A presentation by Eaton Assistant Town Manager Greg Brinck preceded the business meeting. His presentation about the First Street Facelift was to inform the members about the Downtown Development Authority's project to enhance and beautify the downtown area of Eaton.

At 7:10 PM the business meeting began with Secretary Marcia Schmidke summarizing the February minutes. The treasurer's report by Dick Leffler followed.

2024 Beginning Balance Checking	\$20,111.22
2024 Income	\$ 7,480.00
2024 Expenses	\$ 479.08
Total Balance including CD	\$53,226.04

Following explanation of and discussion about the 2024 approved budget, Mary Jimenez moved we accept the treasurer's report as given. Terri James seconded. Motion carried.

Mary Jimenez's membership report was as follows:

Individual memberships, 16; couple, 20; family, 16; business, 6; and lifetime, 7; for a total of 65.

Committee Reports:

- Digitizing—Nomie Ketterling reported that volunteers are sifting through items to determine what to digitize. The committee is working on the project with the library and the local newspaper.
- Museum Care--Carolyn Prior, reporting for Emily Haythorn, said that all Christmas decorations have been organized and put away, the basement's main storage room has been cleaned up and organized, and plans for the April painting of the 2 kitchens and the front hallway have been made, with color choices determined. Also, the committee is working with the town electrician to install an antique light in the master bedroom and an antique lantern, gifted to the museum, on the back porch. In addition, the light in the doll's house in the girl's bedroom is being repaired. Finally, they are working with Artist Tom Segura to finish 3 framed pieces for the parlor.
- Fund Raiser--Terrie James reported on the upcoming second Antique Appraisal Day, May 4, at the CH. She also commented that we need to tell the public what the money we raise from our fundraisers are used for. An idea for a repeat fundraiser is to sell burritos again like we did last July during Eaton Days. Although not an actual fundraiser, it was suggested we hold an Open House for the volunteers to show our appreciation for all they do.
- Public Relations--Nomie Ketterling reported that Daniel Geary of Lone Tree Antiques and Fine Art Gallery is open to doing presentations on various topics, perhaps sponsored by the historical society. Carolyn Prior reported that the Women's Auxiliary of American Legion Post #26 is partnering with EAHS to update and enhance our military display in the CH.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marcia Schmidke, Secretary