

Lawton Heritage Association
Regular Meeting, minutes
Thursday, April 9, 2026 - 5:15 P.M.
Historic Mattie Beal Home, 1008 SW 5th St., Lawton, OK

1. Call to order and Roll Call. Time: 5:15 p.m.
Present: Janie Brown, Yuri Schendel, Mary Jane Jones, Jim Whiteley, John Kennedy, Mary Owensby, Sharon Stephen
Not present: Sheila Fountain, Sylvia Moore, Carol Zabielski
2. Minutes. Discuss and take appropriate action.
 - a. March 2025
Motion to approve: Owensby. Second: Kennedy. Carried 7-0
3. President's Report – Brown
No report
4. Treasurers Report. Discuss and take appropriate action for approval and submitting for audit.
 - a. March 2025
Motion to approve: Kennedy. Second: Owensby. Carried 7-0
5. Business
No business items
6. Old Business
No old business
7. New Business
No new business
8. Committee/Coordinator Reports. Discuss and take appropriate action.
 - a. Docent Program – Brown/Moore
No report.
 - b. Acquisitions – Stephen
No report
 - c. Board Development – Schendel
Discussion of FY 2027 officers and new board members that will be presented and voted on at the June 11 annual meeting.
 - d. Finance – Jones
The Finance Committee met with Kathy Hayden from Ameriprise. It was decided to invest \$41,000 from the LHA checking account. Jones has submitted our application for Hotel/Motel funds for next year to the City of Lawton. We can still submit receipts for this year's funding, March and April are ready to submit. That will bring the total we have submitted up to \$19,678. We have received \$14,317. The City approved us up to \$25,000.
 - e. Events – Jones
Jones will be planning for May 30th Pioneer Days event. Santa is confirmed for 2:00 p.m. on December 6th for the Photos with Santa event.

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- f. House Maintenance – Schendel
Moore talked to Mike Cornish about some painting jobs needed at the house. He suggested getting three cards from Sherwin Williams for local painters. He will help select someone for the job.
 - g. Grounds Maintenance – Schendel
Schendel is waiting to hear from Pat Sullivan for an option on a tree with mistletoe.
 - h. IT Committee – Moore
No report
 - i. Marketing – Jones
working on pioneer days
 - j. Membership – Whiteley
No report
 - k. Preservation – Whiteley
Whiteley reported that repairs to the front steps to Carnegie Library/Town Hall have been completed.
 - l. Gift Shop – Brown/Schendel
No report
9. Comments/Audience Participation
No comments
10. Adjournment. Time: 5:44 p.m.