

Lawton Heritage Association
Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 11, 2024 - 5:15 P.M.
Historic Mattie Beal Home, 1008 SW 5th St., Lawton, OK

1. Call to order and Roll Call. Time: 5:18 p.m.
Present:, Sylvia Moore, Mary Jane Jones, Janie Brown, Mary Owensby, Sharon Stephen, Carol Zabielski
Not Present: Abby DeBaca (excused), Jim Whiteley (excused), JoAnne Gaasbeck, Elizabeth James (excused), John Kennedy
Other: Yuri Schendel
2. Minutes - Discuss and take appropriate action, May 2024
Motion to approve: Jones. Second: Brown. Carried 6-0
3. Minutes – Discuss and take appropriate action, June 2024
Motion to approve: Stephen. Second: Brown. Carried 6-0
4. President's Report – DeBaca
Moore reported that DeBaca is doing well. We received a thank you card from the family of Bill Stephen thanking LHA for a donation to the Cache School Education Foundation in his memory.
5. Treasurers Report - Discuss and take appropriate action for approval and submitting for audit, May 2024
Motion to approve: Brown. Second: Stephen. Carried 6-0
6. Treasurers Report - Discuss and take appropriate action for approval and submitting for audit, June 2024
Motion to approve: Jones. Second: Owensby. Carried 6-0
7. Business
No business
8. New Business
No new business
9. Old Business
 - a. Rent house. Discuss and take appropriate action.
Hope Lodes at RE/MAX has been contacted about selling the rent house. She will put the house on the market, as-is, for \$25,000. Lodes will receive 6 percent commission. She will help us prepare a notice to the renters that the house is going on the market.
 - b. Roof repair update
Jeff Jung, with Ford Roofing, reported that Ludowici, the company that is proving the roof tile for the house, will be unable to get them for at least 24 weeks. The field tiles may be available sooner and Ford will store those until they can get the necessary accessory tiles. There will be no delays or staffing problems once Ford receives all of the materials for the project.

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Ford will continue to address any leaks or other problems with the roof until the project can be completed. They will examine the roof for safety issues prior to planned events on the grounds of the house this fall. Jung will continue to give the Board monthly updates.

10. Committee/Coordinator Reports - Discuss and take appropriate action.

- a. Docent Program - Brown/Moore
No report
- b. Acquisitions – DeBaca
No report
- c. Board Development – DeBaca
No report
- d. Finance – Jones
Jones bought some supplies for the house with a \$100 gift card given to LHA from Fidelity Communications. A couple from Wichita Falls was visiting Medicine Park and visited the house after seeing one of our flyers. They only had a \$100 bill and, after paying their admissions, donated the rest to LHA. The City Council approved our request for Hotel/Motel funds. We asked for \$35,000. The City approved \$25,000, the same amount we received last year.
- e. Events – Jones
Jones reported that the tea party will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 21. On Saturday, August 3 there will be an open house for Lawton's birthday. Jones received an email from Dana Crawford wanting to rent the house for a reception for 50 people on March 21, 2025. Moore reported that she had been contacted by Jason Poudrier with the City of Lawton Arts & Humanities Division about participating in the City's birthday event on August 1. She will contact Poudrier for more information. This year the event is focused on Mattie Beal.
- f. House Maintenance – Schendel
We are still having problems with the upstairs air conditioner. Jones will check on having it serviced.
- g. Grounds Maintenance – DeBaca
No report
- h. IT Committee – Moore
Moore contacted Jonathan Bennett about posting to our website that we were closed on July 4th.
- i. Marketing – Jones
No report
- j. Membership – Whiteley
No report
- k. Preservation – Whiteley
No report

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- I. Gift Shop – Brown/Schendel
No report

11. Comments/Audience Participation

Schendel reported that the house to the east of the rent house is on the City's DND list.

12. Adjournment. Time: 6:02 p.m.