



SHERIDAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Record of Proceedings
February 23, 1995

Call to Order President Bonita Hutcheson called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

Roll Call of Trustees Present: Bonita Hutcheson, Earl McCoy, Charles West

Introduction of Guests No guests were present.

Approval of Minutes Earl McCoy moved, and Bonita Hutcheson, a motion that the minutes of the January 26 meeting be approved as mailed. The motion carried.

Reports President Hutcheson reported for the treasurer:

Balances	Share (checking) Account	\$ 168.83
	Savings	\$3,718.94

A check has been received from **Sheridan Celebrates** for \$1,200, which will be deposited.

Old Business Historic Preservation Ordinance

Cliff Mueller and Earl McCoy attended the Sheridan City Council work session on February 7 for discussion of the draft of a Historic Preservation ordinance which had been submitted to City Council. After discussion of issues and purposes of the ordinance, the draft was tabled at the request of Sheridan Historical Society representatives to allow time to revise the proposal. The draft ordinance appeared to have been copied, with a few changes, from the Durango, Colorado ordinance which is usually offered by the Colorado Historical Society as a good example, although the state society does not have specific guidelines which must be followed to have an approved historic preservation program. Copies of the Denver and Littleton ordinances were also reviewed; Englewood does not have a historic preservation ordinance, relying on listing with the State Historic Register.

At this February 23 Board meeting, it was recommended that a new ordinance should be drafted intended to call attention to historic structures, sites and districts in Sheridan.

- Sheridan City Council, as authorized by the proposed ordinance, will recognize historic properties by resolution.

- Property owner(s) will apply to the Sheridan Historical Society for historic recognition of their property.

- Sheridan Historical Society will identify and assist in research on properties, in cooperation with the property owner(s), and will recommend historic designation of buildings, sites and/or districts to Sheridan City Council.

- Sheridan Historical Society will provide plaques to be mounted on historic properties; the plaques will belong to the Historical Society, and can be removed if the building or site no longer qualifies for historic designation.

- Sheridan Historical Society will assist property owners to find historical data about the properties.

- Continuation of historic designation will be related to continued upkeep and preservation of the exteriors without significant changes.

●The ordinance will include definitions of historic features, such as are included in ordinances from other cities and in guidelines for the State Historical Register.

Bonita Hutcheson will prepare material for a new draft ordinance, based on these recommendations.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Earl McCoy, Secretary