



**FORT COLLINS AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 6, 2013**

**ATTENDEES:**

Scott Cobble, Susan Cottingham, Ron Harden, Bill Miller, Liz Pruessner, John Shenot, Joann Thomas, John Waddell.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Barb Adams.

**CALL TO ORDER – Miller:**

President Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**INTRODUCTIONS – All:**

President Thomas introduced Barb Adams. Each FCAS board member introduced herself or himself.

**AGENDA REVIEW – All:**

1. Joann requested adding agenda item “Photo Contest” to OLD BUSINESS.
2. Scott requested removing agenda item “Website Monitoring” from COMMITTEE REPORTS.
3. Scott requested removing items “Web site progress” and “Review of current web site” from agenda item Web Site in OLD BUSINESS.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS – All:**

None.

**MINUTES: May 2013 – Review, Revise and Accept – All:**

Review of the May 2013 minutes to occur electronically over the next few days.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

Treasurer’s Report for May 2013 (sent out earlier) – Waddell:

1. On May 31, 2013, the checking account balance was \$8,225.26.
2. The Savings account balance was \$3,001.85.
3. The total balance was \$19,480.63.
4. May 2013 expenses include:
  - a. \$48.26 to PostNet for mailing the May newsletters.
  - b. \$165.00 to Print It to print the May newsletter.
  - c. \$80.00 to Fort Collins Senior Center for room rental May 9.



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- d. \$13.26 to Youngs' Café for meal for Doug Ouren.
  - e. \$120.00 to John Drummond for leading a field trip.
  - f. \$120.00 to Christian Nunes for leading a field trip.
  - g. \$350.00 to Quetzal Tours for field trip expenses.
  - h. \$35.00 to National Audubon for one member's renewal.
  - i. \$124.00 to U.S. Post Office for Post Office Box Fee.
5. May 2013 receipts include:
- a. \$240.00 from three individuals for Quetzal/FCAS field trip participation.
  - b. \$5.52 for sale of one pocket guide.
  - c. \$57.58 from three memberships: 0 National only, 0 National & Local and 3 local only.
  - d. \$0.07 from Wells Fargo for interest on checking account.
6. Alex Cringan Memorial Fund balance - \$1,468.90.
7. Quetzal Tours/FCAS Monthly Field Trips - \$1,290.00 net gain for 2013 trips.
8. Next CD maturation is 11 November 2013 for \$5,377.18 plus interest.
9. Colorado State Registration filed 17 March 2013.
10. Federal Form 990-N e-filed with IRS on 17 March 2013.
11. 2011 FCAS Annual Financial Report filed with National Audubon Society electronically on 6 December 2012.
12. Joann to ask Nick for an itemization.
13. Bill to introduce Joann to Kelly at the Senior Center.
14. Joann to find out if the Senior Center construction will compromise FCAS program meetings.
14. The Senior Center charges \$40 per hour for meeting rooms.
15. Barb to inquire if Council Tree library has room for FCAS programs.
16. Bill said the Ben Delator room at the main library might hold 60 people.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Paid Positions – Draft Contracts – Miller:**

No discussion.



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**B. Web Site – Cobble/Pruessner:**

1. Liz indicated Scott Miller responds when given a request.
2. We are pushing field trip related information.
3. Scott M. told Liz to send him the trip information and he will put it up on the FCAS site. The same applies for Nick's international trips.
4. Susan requested she be copied on trip information sent to Scott M. so she can place it on the FCAS Facebook page.
5. We should have brief field trip reports to put on the FCAS web and Facebook pages.
6. Whenever John Shenot gets field trip information he will forward it to Scott M. Liz said she will suggest to Nick that he do so as well.

**C. Rights of Nature – Miller:**

No discussion.

**D. Volunteer Hours & Mileage – Cobble:**

1. Scott asked board members to send him their hours and miles.
2. Scott to put together numbers for 2011 for Joann to report at the September program meeting.

**E. Update Board Information Sheet – Cobble:**

1. Scott will add Barb's contact information to the FCAS Information sheet.

**F. Photo Contest – Miller:**

1. We need to see how to keep the contest manageable for us.
2. How do we approach the usage of images?
3. Ron suggested limited use so the artist does not give up copyright.

**G. Embroidered Clothing**

1. Stitch Logo has the digitized FCAS logo.
2. Bill asked Ron to send information to the board.
3. Ron will write a small blurb for the newsletter.
4. A standard reminder regarding embroidered FCAS items to appear in each newsletter, perhaps near the Pocket Guide ad.



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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Ptarmigan Deadline – Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> – Thomas:**

1. Joann mentioned the deadline.

**B. Ptarmigan (Mid-summer issue) – Thomas:**

1. The issue could include announcements of upcoming field trips.
2. If John S. provides the information to Liz by noon tomorrow, she will send it to the electronic list.

**C. Report on Legislative Update Meeting – Morgan:**

No discussion.

**D. Audubon Colorado Issues – Harden:**

1. Bill asked Joann to send the water issues information to the board.
2. Candidates have stepped forward for President and Treasurer.

**E. Membership Form – Cobble:**

1. Scott to send board members examples of the proposed membership application form for the Information Card and for the Ptarmigan. Each should have the same elements.
2. Joann suggested board members offer commentary.
3. The goal is to have these ready by July.

**F. Poudre River Field Trip (Future Planning) – Miller/Thomas:**

1. Have a joint trip with Native Plant Society. Begin planning for next year.

**G. National Outdoor Day – Thomas:**

1. Susan will help Joann set up.
2. Spring Creek Park located off Drake.

**REPORTS Of COMMITTEES:**

**A. Membership – Pruessner:**

1. 758 NAS members.
2. 149 Dual NAS and FCAS members.
3. 111 FCAS members.
4. 1018 Total members.



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5. 30 Complimentary Members.

**B. Finance – Waddell:**

No discussion.

**C. Education – Thomas:**

1. Joann presented a hummingbird program yesterday.
2. Joann took a person from Topeka, Kansas birding yesterday. That person will return and stay with Joann.

**D. Conservation – Miller:**

No discussion.

**E. Field Trips – Shenot:**

1. No new trips scheduled.
2. John will send an email reminder for updates.

**F. Programs – Meschievitz:**

1. Programs confirmed through November.
2. Programs 2013:
  - a. September 12<sup>th</sup> – Rob Palmer, Wildlife Photographs – focused on burrowing owls.
  - b. October 10<sup>th</sup> – Nathaniel Warning and Lauryn Benedict, University of Northern Colorado – Canyon wrens and Rock wrens in the northern Colorado foothills; life history, territory, and song characteristics.
  - c. November 14<sup>th</sup> – Ann Reichardt with Slide show of trip to Guatemala with Nick Komar.

**G. Publicity – Parker:**

No discussion.

**H. Website Monitoring – All:**

1. This item removed during agenda review. This item to be permanently deleted from the agenda.

**I. Newsletter – All:**

No discussion.



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**J. Audubon Colorado Legislative Update – Harden:**

1. The legislative session generally considered successful.
2. The governor signed the rural utilities bill.
3. One major disappointment is SB41, which passed, that provides that storage of water is a beneficial use. That goes against prior judicial decisions that stored water must have a use designated for it to which it will be put.

**K. Volunteers – Need a Volunteer Coordinator – Joann:**

No discussion.

**OTHER ITEMS:**

1. National Outdoor Day, Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> – Thomas/Cobble – Others welcome!
  - a. Susan to help.
2. Audubon Rockies June 22<sup>nd</sup> Water Workshop/Boulder – Miller:  
No discussion.
3. Audubon Rockies June 29<sup>th</sup> Water Workshop/Colorado Springs – Miller:  
No discussion.
4. Joann invited to a visioning session.  
No discussion.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.