

FORT COLLINS AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES August 7, 2014

ATTENDEES:

Scott Cobble, Ron Harden, Bill Miller, John Shenot, Joann Thomas.

OTHERS PRESENT:

None.

CALL TO ORDER - Thomas:

The meeting began at 7:15 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS – All:

None.

AGENDA REVIEW – All:

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - All:

Scott C. spoke about the Western Black-headed snake Liz and he saw at Watson State Wildlife area.

APPROVE MINUTES OF: July 7, 2014 - Review, Revise, and Accept - Cobble:

Not possible due to Lack of a quorum.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

Treasurer's Report for July 2014 (sent out earlier) – Waddell:

- 1. On July 31, 2014, the checking account balance was \$5,569.12.
- 2. The Savings account balance was \$6,031.50.
- 3. The total balance was \$16,913.50.
- 4. July 2014 expenses included:
 - a. None.
- 5. July 2014 receipts included:
 - a. \$0.05 from Wells Fargo for interest on the checking account.
- 6. Alex Cringan Memorial Fund balance: \$1,668.90.
- 7. Quetzal Tours/FCAS Monthly Field Trips: \$1,775.00 net gain for 2013 trips.
- 8. Next CD maturation is 11 November 2015 for \$5,424.01 plus interest.



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- 9. Colorado State Registration filed 5 March 2014.
- 10. Federal Form 990-N for 2012 e-filed with IRS on 5 March 2014.
- 11. 2012 FCAS Annual Financial Report filed with National Audubon Society electronically on 10 September 2013.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Native Plant Society - Miller/Thomas:

No Discussion.

B. Alex Cringan Fund Application Forms – Parker:

1. Scott C. passed the form around.

C. Northern Colorado Nature Fest - Thomas:

- 1. September 27th at Nix farm.
- 2. The same date as the Steamboat Springs Crane Fest.

D. Insurance - Waddell:

No Discussion.

E. Report on FCAS Sponsoring the August 16 ACC Meeting – Harden/Miller:

- 1. Perhaps 15 people to attend.
- 2. Rainbow backed out.
- 3. 8:45 a.m. 3:30 p.m.

F. Report on Jo Evans Attending a FCAS Meeting – Harden:

October 9th.

G. Deborah Holman – Thomas:

1. Joann yet to download the files sent by Holman.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Post Board Minutes to the Website - Cobble:

- 1. Joann suggested posting the minutes from 2012, 2013, and 2014 to the website.
- 2. Scott C. to send the minutes from those years to Scott M.



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B. Be Supportive of the Tax Issue – Harden:

- 1. It is important for the Open Space Tax, which is up for renewal, to pass.
- 2. Bill to email the latest information on the tax issue. Place that information in the September newsletter.

C. Liaison to Audubon Rockies - All:

- 1. Bill is willing to be the liaison.
- 2. No modification of the Bylaws necessary.

D. Planning for the Future – All:

- 1. The last paragraph in the Bylaws explains how to close down the chapter.
- 2. Joann would like to continue as education chair.
- 3. Joann wants to continue doing the Nature Fest.

E. Strategic Planning Meeting in October – Invite Membership – All:

- 1. John S. likes the idea of inviting outside people.
- 2. October 5th at the Carriage House. Starts at 5 p.m.
- 3. Necessary for the annual report. Joann has the report and will send it to Bill.

REPORTS OF COMMITEES:

A. Membership - Pruessner:

No discussion.

B. Finance – Waddell:

No discussion.

C. Education – Thomas:

No discussion.

D. Website – Cobble/Pruessner:

No discussion.

E. Conservation – All:

1. Barb has an article ready for the September newsletter.



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F. Field Trips – Shenot:

1. Dave Leatherman said he might do a field trip in October.

G. Programs – Meschievitz:

- 1. Potential Programs Fall 2014:
 - a. Karen Green, Executive Director, Zoological Discovery Center.
 - b. Steve Jones Birding the State Parks. He would be willing to speak in Loveland.
 - c. Dr. Amy Grant, USDA, Rabies in Northern Colorado.

H. Publicity – Parker:

1. Jessie to do this.

I. Newsletter - All:

No discussion.

J. ACC Leg. Update – Harden:

1. More will be known regarding what might be expected when Jenn has more information. Jenn will be advising the Public Policy Committee in December.

K. Volunteers – Thomas:

- 1. Joann will start asking at the September program meeting for volunteers. This will go into the September newsletter.
- 2. Joann said it would cost \$150 for a booth at Nix.

OTHER ITEMS, NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS - All:

- 1. Upcoming Events:
 - a. August 16, 2014 FCAS sponsors ACC meeting in Fort Collins.
 - b. NoCo Nature Fest September 27, 2014 Nix Farm Natural Area.
 - c. November 8, 2014 JAX local author day.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.