



FORT COLLINS AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 04, 2014

ATTENDEES:

Barb Adams, Scott Cobble, Ron Harden, Bill Miller, Liz Pruessner, John Shenot, John Waddell.

OTHERS PRESENT:

None.

CALL TO ORDER – Thomas:

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS – All:

None.

AGENDA REVIEW – All:

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – All:

Ptarmigan deadline – September 14.

MINUTES: July 10 and August 7, 2014 – Review, Revise, and Accept – Cobble:

Both accepted as written.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

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

1. On August 31, 2014, the checking account balance was \$5,497.67.
2. The Savings account balance was \$6,031.80.
3. The total balance was \$16,842.00.
4. August 2014 expenses included:
 - a. \$91.54 to Louise Parker for publicity expenses.
5. August 2014 receipts included:
 - a. \$20.00 from one local membership.
 - b. \$0.04 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.
12. Joann requested \$250 for repayment for ACC luncheon. John W. to send her a check.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Alex Cringan Fund Application Forms – Parker:

1. Louise sent the application forms to Poudre School District.

B. Northern Colorado Nature Fest – Thomas:

1. Liz moved, seconded by John Shenot, to spend \$150 to reserve our status as a founder. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Insurance – Waddell:

1. John will send information to the board when it is sent to him. He will send a copy of the policy to board members.

D. Post Board Meeting Minutes to the Website – Cobble:

1. Scott to send the minutes to Scott Miller when composed.
2. Send the 2012, 2013, and 2014 minutes to Scott Miller.

E. Be Supportive of Tax Issue – Harden:

1. Renewal of Open Space tax.
2. The consensus at the last meeting was to support the Tax.
3. Mention the renewal at the September and October program meetings.
4. Mention the renewal in the November newsletter.

F. Liaison to Audubon Rockies – All:

1. Bill told Allison he would be in the hospital.

G. Planning for the Future – All:

1. We need to emphasize the need for recruits.
2. Liz to send the membership list to board members.
3. Ron said we should ask people for their help.



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4. Remove Louise as scholarship chair.
5. Barb, John Shenot, and John Waddell to continue. Joann to continue as Education chair, Bill as ACC Delegate, Jessie to continue as Program chair and to do publicity. Liz and Scott to continue.

H. October 2nd Strategic Planning Meeting – Invite Membership – All:

1. At 5:00 p.m., prior to the board meeting.
2. Start thinking about the annual report to NAS that is due in November.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Fossil Creek Natural Area Bird Checklist – All:

1. Bill suggested asking Sue Kenney for a 50% contribution.
2. Get a quote from Color Pro for 2,000 then follow up with Sue.
3. Base it on the 2010 Larimer County checklist.
4. Ron suggested having Nick do a review of the list regarding changes.
5. John Shenot indicated ebird lists 213 species for Fossil Creek.
6. Liz will call Nick and Joel. She will see if the PDF can be edited.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

A. Membership – Pruessner:

1. 735 NAS members.
2. 157 dual NAS and FCAS members.
3. 133 FCAS members.
4. 1025 total members.
5. 38 Complementary members.

B. Finance – Waddell:

No discussion.

C. Education – Thomas:

No discussion.

D. Website – Cobble/Pruessner:

Liz mentioned that Scott Miller has made significant improvements to the website.



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E. Conservation – All:

1. Black-footed ferrets released in Soapstone Natural Area.

F. Field Trips – Shenot:

1. Dave Leatherman to lead a Grandview Cemetery trip.
2. Second Soapstone field trip on October 11. Only four have signed up.
3. Bobcat Ridge in September and October.
4. John to attempt to have one trip besides Bobcat Ridge each month.

G. Programs – Meschievitz:

1. Potential Programs Fall 2014:
 - a. Karen Green, Executive Director, Zoological Discovery Center.
The board approved the cost for the assistant.
 - 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 publicity.

I. Newsletter – All:

1. Already discussed.

J. ACC Leg. Update – Harden:

1. There won't be any activity until towards the end of the year when the ACC Public Policy Committee has had a meeting to see what is on the horizon.

K. Volunteers – Thomas:

No discussion.

OTHER ITEMS, NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS – All:

1. Upcoming Events
 - a. NoCo Nature Fest – September 27, 2014 – Nix Farm Natural Area.
 - b. November 8, 2014 – JAX local author day.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.