



**Indian River County Airboat Association Inc.
Meeting Minutes –Marsh Landing Fellsmere, FL**

Meeting Minutes

November 23rd, 2015- Monthly Meeting

Called to order @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: 22 club members were present

Minutes: Chad Smalley- Requested a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as stated in the newsletter sent on November 16th, 2015 to each member via email or postal mail and can also be accessed via the website. Chris Worthen made the motion to accept the minutes and Shane Stoneham seconded it.

Treasurer: Heather Holbrook- Read the financial report. A motion to accept the financial report was made by Cindy Smith and Shane Stoneham seconded it.

Old Business:

- **50/50-** This month's 50/50 was \$56.00 and the winner was Heather Holbrook winning \$28.00. The other \$28.00 went to the club.
- **Events Attended since last meeting**
 - ✚ **Downtown Friday – October 30th**- Thank you to everyone who came out to help. We had a great time watching the wiener dog races and the Halloween costume contests
 - ✚ **Sebastian Clam Bake – November 6-7-8th** – Again, a big thanks to everyone who came out to help with this weekend event. Also thanks to Justin and Jim Smalley for sticking up for our gun rights and standing your ground on letting us have the GUN there.
- **2nd Annual Moose Lodge Appreciation Banquet**

Everything is coming together for our Banquet Saturday, January 9th. We asked everyone who was present at the club meeting if they had any suggestions on Door Prizes they would like to see but no one had any suggestions. Heather suggested that we have a Corn Hole Tournament and everyone agreed so if you're interested please sign up the cost is \$20.00 per person. Paul also suggested that we allow a few of our larger supportive vendors to have a few booths at the event and everyone was for it. Paul will be working on getting them and setting up times for them. Justin is working on getting a cake and Nick will be getting the food to cook. This is your last chance to get your ticket so please try to make it because it' a lot of fun.
- **Memberships**

Chad reminded everyone that memberships are now due and if you planned on voting for the Officers and Board in January your memberships MUST be paid prior to the January club meeting.

➤ **2016 Airboat**

Chad and Sam will be meeting again with Wade Hamant to work out the details on the boat and bring a cost proposal back to the club. Wade is still trying secure donations from his vendors for as much as he can. The club decided on a motor just like we had last year, we are just trying to decide if we are getting it from Schmidt or Jurnigan. We are hoping to have the boat ready by March.

➤ **Santa Comes to Town**

December 16th is our Santa Comes to Town event in Fellsmere and some of our lights from last year are no longer working so Heather made a motion to spend up to \$300.00 on decorations. Cindy Smith seconded it. A show of hands all in favor, Motion passed.

New Business:

➤ **New Members/Renewals**

We had one new club member JR Arizpe, thank you and welcome.

➤ **Upcoming Events**

- **Grassy Island Buck/Hog Hunt- November 27-28-29th**
- **Sand Lake Tract Hog Hunt - December 4th-5th-6th**
- **Vero Beach Christmas Parade- Saturday December 5th - (we will all meet up at 4:00 again).** We will need a lot of decorated boats to represent our club. There cannot be any Santa's on them at all just like last year.
- **Russel House Santa Event- Saturday December 5th -** If you are interested in riding please get with Paul. It starts at 9:00am
- **Decorating School House- Sunday December 6th @ 9:00am.** If you have any decorations you would like to donate please get with me and if you would like to help out please let me know.
- **Grassy Island Buck/Doe/Hog Hunt- December 12-13-14th**
- **Santa Comes to Town- Wednesday December 16th @ 5:30 in Fellsmere**
- **Holiday Appreciation Dinner- Saturday December 19th @ Blue Cypress Lake** lunch will be at 12:00pm. Paul will be cooking Turkey and Ham, everyone please bring a side dish!

➤ **Colby Holbrook Washington Trip**

Colby got up front and spoke to everyone about his educational field trip he is trying to earn money for. He said that he has to raise \$967.00 and so far he has raised \$337.00. He asked if the club could help him out at all. Everyone spoke about how much he helps the club out at every event and Chad Smalley made a motion to give \$100.00 to Colby, it was seconded by Jeff Lessara. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed.

➤ **Spec Fishing Tournament**

It's that time again for our 3rd annual Spec Fishing Tournament. Chad asked everyone to choose a date last year it was on Jan 31st and everyone agreed that Saturday February 6th was a good day to have it. We will be trying to get everyone signed up before the day of. We will also have the Fish Fry with it and the cost again will be \$25.00 per person and the prizes will again be Best Spec and Total weight (3 fish). Please spread the word!!

- **Fossil Hunt**
Paul asked everyone if they would be interested in doing a Fossil hunt on Peace River. He is going to get some dates for us so that we can lock it in. He also said that there are places over there to stay at if anyone is interested.
- **Tall Heaters**
Paul had been to academy sports and seen that they have the tall outdoor heaters on sale for \$90.00 and asked the club if they wanted to pick them up for the club, because we really could have used it at the Frog Leg Festival last year. Robbie Gardner made a motion for Paul to pick up 2 heaters 1 for the trailer and 1 for a Door Prize for the Moose Lodge event. It was seconded by Justin Hearl, a show of hands were in favor motion passed.
- **Gun for Frog Leg Festival**
Every year we get a cheap gun to give away at the end of the frog leg festival, so Chris Worthen made a motion to spend up to \$500.00 on a Savage 22 or an 870 Remington, it was seconded by Chad Smalley. A show if hands were in favor, motion passed. Jeff Lessara will purchase the gun for us.
- **Open Discussion**
Jeff -FAA Meeting He wanted to remind everyone that the next FAA meeting will be here at Marsh Landing on January 16th @11:00 am and they would like to do a cub ride after the meeting in our local marsh.
Jeff- Fellsmere Joint Venture – Jeff said that the next WRAC meeting in on February 18th in Palm Bay and that Bishop Wright will be there and encourages everyone to be there because they will be taking about the RULES of the park. Sam said that the Deed is the issue since it has 3 things against us No Airboats; Limited Access; and NO Big Game Hunting. He also said that the FAA is actively working on the Access issue as well as other issues so PLEASE come to the next meeting.
- **Club Meeting Pot**
We started the pot with \$316.00 which rolled over from the last meeting and we collected \$17.00 from members this month making the new pot \$333.00. The winner was Chris Jacobi however, because he was NOT present at the meeting the pot will roll over till next month. Remember that in order to win you must have attended 2 consecutive meetings.
- **Next club meeting:**
Next club meeting due to Christmas will be on **MONDAY** December 21st, 2015 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm at Marsh Landing. We hope to see everyone there.

Meeting Adjourned