

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

Meeting Minutes

October 26th, 2016- Monthly Meeting

Called to order @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: 16 club members were present

Minutes: Paul Shutes- Requested a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting, the minutes were not sent because I was out of town. We will make a motion to accept them next month for the 2 months.

Treasurer: Heather Holbrook- Heather read the financial report. A motion to accept the financial report was made by Chris Worthen and Robert Gardiner seconded it.

Old Business:

> <u>50/</u>50

No 50/50 last month

Volunteer Incentive Program

If you have incentive orange tickets do not forget to put them in the Bucket at a meeting because without them your name will not be chosen to win the \$250.00 DOLLAR GIFT CERTIFICATE. The Drawing will be in January so if you want to get in on it please sign up for any upcoming events.

Workshop

Jeff is working hard on the Lake Egan project trying to get a boat He said there have been a lot of bad deals with deed restrictions and he has put a group together on Facebook so have everyone you know like the page so they can stay caught up with whats going on. It's called "Fellsmere Water Management Area". Jeff had a meeting at Marsh Landing and Sam said that 8 of 10 people in the meeting had a financial gain and that the right people were not there.

Santa Comes to Town

Saturday December 17th, 2016 @ 5:30PM- We needed a motion to purchase goodie bags for the kids. There were not enough voting members at the club meeting we were unable to get an approval. Sun Ag will be providing Fruit for us again.

Santa Suit

Heather said that she found a santa suit for \$80.00 so we went ahead and purchased it now to see if it fits Chris, that way if it doesn't she had time to return it and order a different one.

Decorating work day

Reminding everyone that we will need help putting up Christmas decorations at the old school house in Fellsmere on Sunday December 4th @ 9:00am.

> 2017 Airboat

Paul has NO updates on the Raffle boat at this time.

Bi-Law Changes

Changes were made to the By-Laws. However because attendance was low this month there were not enough people to vote on the changes so it will be re-addressed next month.

Events Attended since last meeting

- **Rocktober Fest** Attendance was horrible; the cost was very high to get in.
- **RPM Meeting (WRAC)** Paul said that they touched a little on the Fellsmere Project and showed pictures of the improvements made to it. He also said that FWC has hired a professor (Taylor Stein) from the University of Florida to do a study on our local boat ramps (Garcia's, East Marsh, New FJV boat Ramp and Stick Marsh) due to the overcrowding from all the Airboat Tours. Sam asked Taylor where the information was coming from and he had NO information to give him. This study is being done due to the over usages of our local boat ramps and marshes. Professor Stein is willing to sit down with the club and discuss the issues. They said that the study will be done in February, so we need to get him to the next club meeting f at all possible. Sam Adams said that they are doing this study from a scientific point not from a local point and we need to do what we can to make our voice heard. Don Maycock spoke on the Sale of Bull Creek. He said that the WMD could not outline where the property was that they want to trade value for value. They also could not give any further details because they don't know. He also said that they have contacted over 40 different organizations to sign letters on behalf of every area of bull creek. He said that he will be bringing the letters to the next meeting for everyone to sign if interested. He also said that he hopes that we will support them and in return they will support us with our fights. Doug B is the appointed representative for Indian River County and he knew nothing about what was going on with Bull Creek. Sam said that we need to try and get Doug to the next meeting.

New Business

> <u>New Members:</u>

We had No new members, and one renewal

- Upcoming Events
 - Grassy Island Youth Hunt- November 25- 26th-27th- Sam Smith is the HuntMaster
 - **Russell House-** Saturday December 3rd @ 9:00am Chisolm Park

- Sebastian Christmas Parade- Saturday December 3rd we need about 15 decorated boats to have a good turn out so if you're interested in pulling a boat please let us know.
- Decorate School House: Sunday December 4th at the old school house in Fellsmere
- **Santa Comes to Town:** Saturday December 17th 6:00PM (old school house)

Open Discussion:

Jay Davey wanted to remind everyone that the Fellsmere County meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. So if you want to know what's going on with the FJV project and events in Fellsmere then you should attend the meetings. Sam Adams mentioned that we needed to do the pony express and start calling members a few days before the meeting if we want attendance up at the meetings.

- Club Meeting Pot: We started the pot with \$117.00 plus collected \$15.00 at the meeting so the total pot was \$132.00. The winner was Jim Rosasco and because he has NOT attended any meetings the pot will roll over till next month. Please remember every members name goes in the POT and you must have attended 2 consecutive meetings and paid your \$1.00 at each meeting in order to win.
- <u>Next club meeting</u>: Next club meeting is on Monday November 21st 2016 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm at Marsh Landing. We hope to see everyone there!
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