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## Minutes of the Meeting

January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - Monthly Meeting

Called to order @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: 32 club members were present!

**Minutes:** Minutes were sent to everyone on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Paul Shutes made a motion to accept the minutes, it was seconded by Tommy Hinkle.

**Treasurer Report:** The treasurer report was accepted by Robert Anderson and seconded by Speedy Bresett. No one had any objections to the treasury report. A copy of the treasurer report was available at the meeting for anyone to view.

**Operating** – starting \$7,837.14 income \$5,135.64 expenses \$4,212.76 ending balance \$8,796.12.

**Youth Hunt**- starting \$11,055.81, income \$39.30 expenses \$1,575.73 ending balance \$9,480.08.

**Savings-3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr.**- Starting \$16,066.85, Income-\$4.04, Expenses-\$0.00 Ending \$16,070.89.

### Old Business:

**Welcome New Club Members-** No new club members!

**50/50-** Wendy Gardiner was last month's winner of \$27.00. She donated the money back to the club. Thank you, Wendy!

**Scholarships-** Scholarships are now available. Applications MUST be turned in by May's Meeting. They will be available at meetings and events and are also available online.

**Membership** Renewals- 2023 memberships are now due.

**Frogleg Festival-** We still need a lot of help, and we need someone to get some live frogs for the kid's frog catch.

Proceeds from the Live Frog Catch will be given to Airboaters for Autism.

**Pavilion Work Date-** Eddie said that they are planning on breaking ground on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. He is also starting a petition to name the Pavilion “ZIG-ZAG” Pavilion. Once the building is finished ,we will plan a work date to put the Picnic Tables and Grills together.

**Skeet Shoot AMMO-** Ken Williams made a motion to purchase up to \$2,500.00 for the rest of the ammo we need for the next skeet shoot. It was Seconded by Ed Crocker. A show of hands was in favor, motion passed.

**Events attended since the last meeting.**

 No events have been attended since the last meeting.

**New Business:**

**Elections-** Elections consist of President, V. President, Treasurer, Secretary and 6 Board members. On the Election ballot there was only 1 nomination for **President- Chris Worthen**; 1 nomination for **V. President- Chris Jacobi**; 1 nomination for **Secretary -Wendy Gardiner**; and 1 nomination for **Treasurer- Brae Anderson**. Board Nominations were also only 6- **Robert Anderson, Ken Williams, Chad Smalley, Ed Crocker, John Roman, and Chris Awtrey**. Therefore, since there were NO additions to the nominations Chris Nunn made a motion to elect the above officers & Board as it stands for 2023. It was seconded by Steve Hayes, a show of hands were in favor. Please congratulate your new Board and Officers.

**Laptop & Printer for New Secretary-** Brae Anderson made a motion to spend up to \$700.00 on a laptop & printer for Wendy. It was seconded by Chad Smalley, a show of hands was in favor, motion passed.

**Fellsmere City Council Meetings-** Chad was letting everyone know that the next City Council meeting is on 1/12/2023 @ 7:00pm and that we need to make sure that someone from the club starts attending these meetings (to be a fly on the wall). We need to be very concerned about what happens to what’s happening to the properties surrounding Headwaters Lake. Fellsmere says they are an AIRBOAT friendly town, and we need to keep it that way to protect our boating rights. Chris Nunn said that we should 1<sup>st</sup> speak with the Fellsmere City Manager & the staff. Eddie Suggested putting a committee together to sit with the City Manager to voice our concerns. Chris Worthen, Chris Nunn, and Chad Smalley will set up a meeting with him. The Planning & Zoning meeting is on January 18<sup>th</sup>. We also need to attend them.

**Lake George Weekend-** The last 2 years we have gone to Camp Mack so this year we will be going back to Lake George. The club has picked 2 dates either June 30<sup>th</sup>- July 2<sup>nd</sup> or July 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. I will call Paramore’s Campground so see which dates are available.

**Historian Report-** Our Club Historian Paul Shutes gave a report on “**Knot Tying**”. He can contest that he has lost a lot of Canoes due to not tying a good proper knot. He said that his dad was a Boy Scout Leader and he knew the importance of tying a good knot. He brought his father’s

Knot Board and a 1947 Manual of Knots. He demonstrated some of the most popular used knots. Trucker's knot, Bow Knot, Bowline, Sheep Bend, Slip knot (although if done backwards it won't work). Timber Hitch, Clove Hitch, Square Knot(becomes 2 half hitches), half stitch, Dog Knot And Macrame. He said that these popular knots go as far back at the Egyptian Times!. Thank you, Paul for your Wisdom!

### **Upcoming Events for 2023**

- **Frogleg Festival**- January 19<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023
- **Blackwater Creek Hunt**- January 20-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023
- **Sandlake Hog Hunt**- January 27<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup>- Sarah Flood is the HuntMaster
- **Airboat Rodeo**- TBD
- **Istapoka Hog Hunt**- February 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>- Cassidy Sharp is the HuntMaster
- **Spec Captains Meeting**- Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023, 5-10pm @ Tiki Bar & Grill
- **Spec Fishing Tournament**- Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- **Blackwater Creek Hog Hunt**- February 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2023- Robert Anderson is the HuntMaster
- **Sandlake Hog Hunt**- March 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>, 2023-
- **Cracker Day Rodeo**- Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- **Sandlake Turkey Hunt**- March 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>
- **Freedom Ride**- Saturday March 11th, 2023
- **IRC Firefighters Fair**- March 10-19<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- **Sandlake Turkey Hunt**- March 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- **LIUB- Airboater for Autism**- Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023
- **STA1 West Gator Hunt**- March 31<sup>st</sup>- April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023
- **Golf Tournament**- Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- **Istapoka Turkey Hunt**- April 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- **Lake George**- July 21-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

### ➤ **Open Discussion**

- **Eddie Harmon** –Starting February “ DEP Managing Project” They are proposing a Drawn Down in the Stick Marsh (5' Feet) to plant SAV's @96B. Satories to Malabar Rd will be drawn down 2ft to plant Hydrilla's
- **Eddie Harmon**- SJRWMD is also changing Regulations @ Blue Cypress (Sugar Mill). They are going to hold the water 6 inches higher in the winter opening up 26,000 acres of marsh for us to run.
- **Eddie Harmon**- He wanted to let everyone know that he enjoyed being the club President the past 2 years. He thanked everyone for their support & accomplishments.
- **Rich Andrews**- He wanted to introduce himself (New Club Member). He came to Indian River County from South Florida. While is South Florida he was very involved with the FAA and he looks forward to being a club member and helping out any way he can. Thank you Rich and welcome to the club.

- **Club Meeting Pot**- The winner on the meeting pot last month was Jimmy Padgett winning \$283.00, but because he wasn't at 2 consecutive meetings it will roll over till next month. Remember you **MUST** attend 2 consecutive meetings and put in your \$1.00.
- **Next Meeting will be on Wednesday February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023.**
- **Eddie made a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**