

December 2024 Meeting Minutes

Called Meeting to Order @ 6:30

Introduction of Officers and Guests:

Members 14 and 4 guests,
Jenny (Rich Cooks Wife),
Sandy Duvall, (Ron Swift's wife)
Sharon Beba, (Ron Beba's wife)
and Ronna Weeks, (Mark's wife)

President – Steve Higgins
Vice President – Jay Wellan
Secretary – Mark Weeks
Treasurer – Dart Sharp - Absent
Safety Officer – Michael Conniff

Minutes from Nov Approval: Motion made and seconded. Minutes were approved

OFFICER REPORTS:

President: Steve asked if anyone in the room had not yet voted, only one member in attendance had not and was given a ballot. Votes have been tallied and winners will be announced under Old Business

Reminder: Please be sure to log in. Looks like some are signing the log, thanks, and keep it up!

Make sure that you pick up your trash

Steve reminded everyone that dues are due in January, Ron commented that they are not due until March.

Just to clarify, our bylaws state the following:

“Section 3

The membership year shall be from January 1 to December 31 with annual membership fees (dues), due at the regular January meeting. All dues must be paid by the regular March meeting, or the unpaid member(s) shall be deemed inactive and placed at the bottom of the waiting list.”

Vice President:

Not much going on for the last couple of months. January 4th we will be having our annual Freeze -In. Mark will share more with reminders as the date gets closer.

Secretary: we have 47 paid members, with 8 members paid for 2025. Steve reminded everyone that Dues are officially due on January 1, we have a grace policy that stated they must be paid by the end of the March Business Meeting.

Treasurer: Brian Reightly reported for Dart that all bills are paid, and we have money in the bank.

Safety Officer: Michael reported that we had a safe year and to keep it up. He also wanted to remind everyone that as winter sits in that we need to watch for cold weather symptoms. So Keep warm.

Field Manager:

The club house is in the process of being insulated. The Ceiling is completed, and we have started on the back wall. Project is on hold until all the wiring is installed, (should be completed in January)

We lost two awnings due to the windstorm; they will need to be replaced when they go on sale and not installed until spring.

Looking for some dry scrap wood for the burn barrel to have at the freeze-in. Ron Beba offered to bring some.

Newsletter Editor:

If you have any pictures that you may have taken in the field, please send them to Ron Swift or Mark Weeks, and we will get them on the website and/or in the newsletter.

Web:

We need pictures from events or just about anything else on both the Web site and the Newsletter. Please send it to Mark or Ron, and they will share it;

OLD BUSINESS:

2025 Board Results:

President:

Steve Higgins

Vice President:

Jay Wellan

Treasurer:

Dart Sharp

Secretary:

Mark Weeks

Safety Officer:

Michael Conniff

Special Service Award:

Michael Conniff:

Thanks to everyone who voted and to the board members for their service.

Barnyard Buzzards History Committee:

Ron reported that they will be working on at least the front page so he will have something to share at the January Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Mark Reported that Ranger Dave reached out and asked if someone could come out with a quad and get some video from the areas, they have not been able to get to because of the "**BOM CYCLONE**". Mark met him in the Camp Edwards Parking lot and they were able to find the areas of concern.

They also said that until the end of December **NO ONE** is allowed on the campgrounds. This does not include the flying field. We **CAN** still Fly!!

PROGRAM:

Christmas Party!!! Yea!!

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. It passed and it's on to the Christmas party, and the gift exchange.