

February 28, 1954

COUNTY COMMISSION ROOM COUNTY COURT HOUSE WEST PALM BEACH

President Leonard Sombret called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM.

Minutes of last meeting read, motion to approve them made by Earnie palmer Jr. & seconded by Truman Padgett, carried.

The President called a recess to allow prospective new members to pay dues & become members.

The following paid:

Frank Gollatscheck

James (Mimmie) Land

James H. Halbig

Hubert Sharp

M. F. (Buck) Baugher

J. W. Adams

William F. Bill Boothe

F. Bwight Foster

Barnie E. Sikes

Mrs. Clyde Windham was introduced and recognized as the first lady visitor to the club.

The President called upon everyone to stand and introduce themselves so as to become better acquainted, this was done.

The President called upon the treasurer to read a financial report which he did, motion by Truman Padgett, seconded by David Crow- motion carried, report accepted. The President discussed the charter as to when to file it and when to close it for charter members, reference to previous minutes was made and it was found that the charter was to close at this meeting which was agreed on by all. Motion by Porter Yaun seconded by Ernie Palmer Jr. to let Officers sign Charter for filing and all other Charter members names appear in minutes. Motion by Woody Upthegrove seconded by Frank Pole to amend the motion to hold the signing of the charter by the Officers to be held up, until permanent officers are

elected so as to allow them (the permanent officers) to sign the charter after discussion and advice by the attorneys, Mr. Windham & Mr. Johnson, the amendment carried, then the question on the original motion was put and carried. At this time the President called upon the Attorneys to take up the By-Laws.

Woody Upthegrove read a letter he had received from the Schenely Distillers Corporation, thanking the airboat members for their co-operation and fine sportsman like manner that they had conducted the airboat races and that the company was looking forward to next years races and hoping to make them bigger and better. The club received this with thanks.

The attorneys then began to take up the By-Laws. Then it was discussed and approved by all to add seven(7) directors to the Charter making 15 directors in all.

Mr. Johnson Read the By-Laws and asked to clarify qualifications for membership and Air Boat Owners, and what should be the qualifications for operators, Which was and ordered clarified in the Charter and the proper amendments put in the Charter as deemed necessary. The By-Laws were adopted as read and amended.

Robert Ahrens spoke on a new card and scroll for the club; the card committee was ordered to proceed with the card.

The President called a recess for coffee at 9:45 PM.

The President called the meeting to order at 10:10 PM. It was discussed by all as to what committees should be standing and it was agreed on, to have the following committees as of now, and others as may be appropriate from time to time; the standing committees as follows:

1. Membership (shall be 7 of which four are boat owners - one of these to be chairman)
2. Finance
3. Refreshments & Entertainment
4. Legislation
5. Grievance
6. Racing

7. Publicity

Discussion followed concerning the place to meet and as to whether or not to have refreshments. Motion by Ernest Palmer Jr., seconded by Tillman Thompson that the Club spend not more than thirty dollars (\$30.00) for drinks & eats, motion carried.

The President appointed a temporary entertainment committee as follows:

S. Ray Rotenberger
Porter Yaun
Earl Wellman
Woody Upthegrove
Ernest Palmer Sr.

Motion by Ernest Palmer Jr., seconded by Wallace Ballard to meet on March 14, 8:00PM at the home of Alfred Henschel on South Military Tr. 3rd house south of Selby road, west side of trail, at which time officers will be elected and the new officers will sign the charter.

For filing with the courts of Palm Beach County and all members be recognized as charter members and refreshments will be served, motion carried.

The President instructed the secretary to mail notices to all members of the meeting. The President appointed DeWitt Upthegrove as Chairman of the Election Committee to prepare the ballot can and other necessary papers for conducting the election.

Motion by Harry Higbee seconded by David Crow to adjourn, carried.

Meeting closed at 19:45 PM

Members present were:

Ernest Palmer Sr.
Ernest Palmer Jr.
Robert Palmer
Truman Padgett
A. J. Orton Jr.
James H. Halbig
Wallace Ballard
Harry Higbee
Frank Gollattscheck
Hubert Sharp
James (Jimmie) Land
Norman Padgett
David Crow

Luther Raulerson
E. L. Byrns
Pres. Leonard Sombret
J.W. Woody Upthegrove
Blase Anderson
S. Ray Rotenberger
Earl Wellman
Paul E. Braun
Teal Thompson
Jimmie Adams
Frank Pole
Warren Ballard
Robert Ahrens

Alfred Henschell
Porter Yaun
Clyde Windham
Thomas Johnson
Jim Ramsey

Sec. DeWitt Upthegrove

MINUTES APPROVED MARCH 14th

Respectfully submitted,

DEWITT UPTHEGROVE