

COUNTY COMMISSION ROOM

July 8, 1954

The Air Boat Conservation Club meeting was called to order by Vice President Alfred Henschel at 8:30 P.M., in the absence of the President, Woody Upthegrove.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, amended and approved.

Correspondence was read. The Florida Wildlife Federation gave notice of a Director's meeting in the First District, at Zephyrhills to be held Saturday and Sunday, July 10th and 11th. Discussion followed.

It was moved by Earl Wellman, seconded by Porter Yaun, to send DeWitt Upthegrove, delegate and Alfred Henschel, alternate, to the Zephyrhills meeting with expenses to be paid by the Club. Motion carried.

First Vice President Ray Rotenberger, having arrived at the meeting, took over the chair and called for the treasurer's report. Jim Ramsey, treasurer, reported \$269.95 on deposit, less a check for \$29.00 drawn to the Florida Wildlife Federation, leaving a balance of \$240.85. Mr. Adams - new member - paid \$5.00 dues and \$1.00 extra for the Federation. It was moved by Truman Padgett, seconded by Earl Wellman, to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried.

Mr. Ramsey stated that a check book bearing the Club's name would be expensive, that, as the Club would have new officers, and, in all probability a new slate of names next year; and, that they might change to a new bank, that considering the fact he had a rubber stamp made with the Club's name on it, it was decided to use that for the time being.

The secretary submitted bills and a motion was made by Coy Jones, seconded by Earl Wellman, to pay them. The Motion carried.

Discussion of the barbecue and air boat races followed. It was moved by Ronald Black, seconded by Tillman Thompson, that Robert McLester and James Halbig be Chief Committeemen, with authority to draft anyone to work with them on barbecuing the meats. Motion carried.

The refreshment committee, Truman Padgett, Chairman, Wallace Ballard and Harry Higbee, was authorized by 1st Vice President Ray Rotenberger to handle all refreshments and draft any members to help.

After discussion, the 1st Vice President appointed Tillman Thompson, Robert Townsend and James Halbig and Alfred Henschel as wood committee, also to get charcoal and other things with which to do the cooking and barbecuing.

Earl Wellman, Norman Padgett, Ray Rotenberger, Ernest Palmer, Sr., Jimmie Land and Porter Yaun were appointed by the 1st Vice President to do the butchering and meat carving; Jimmie Land and Jimmie Adams, to make potato salad and baked beans, and appointed David Crow and DeWitt Upthegrove to contact Commissioner Roy Michaels of the County Commission for permission to use the north end of Lake Osborne for the barbecue and boat races. DeWitt Upthegrove was to get attorney's opinion about tax, if any, on barbecue sold by the Club.

Motion by Earl Wellman, seconded by Porter Yaun to have a special meeting Sunday night, July 18th at the Court House, for further discussion and final arrangements for the barbecue, and the secretary was directed to mail notices to members urging them to attend this meeting. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Jim Ramsey made a motion to adjourne, James Halbig seconded it and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned by 1st Vice President Ray Rotenberger at 10:30 p.m. There being 30 members present.

Respectfully submitted,

DeWitt Upthegrove
Secretary

Minutes Approved