

Agenda & Minutes (in text box)
Audubon of Southwest Florida, Inc. (ASWF)
November 19, 2020
Virtual Meeting

Call to Order and Attendance

At 6 pm; Attendance (those attending in bold)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Gerri Reaves (P) | <input type="checkbox"/> Brad Cornell | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dan VanNorman (VP) | <input type="checkbox"/> Courtney Kern | <input type="checkbox"/> Wayne Daltry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Rodenfels (T) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sean McCabe | <input type="checkbox"/> Pete Quasius |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michele Bellinger (S) | <input type="checkbox"/> Carol Newcomb | <input type="checkbox"/> Carl Veaux |

Guests: _____

Approval of Minutes of October 15 meeting

Approved JR/DV

Treasurer's Report: see Jim's emailed report

Items for approval/discussion

- renew USPS nonprofit permit - approx \$235—needed for newsletter mailing
- review/continue discussion of payments to:
 - AWRA, FL (\$200)
 - WOW Festival (\$50)
 - Everglades Coalition (\$100)
 - Annual Report to NAS (distributed via email 11/10)

USPS permit approved GR/PQ

Treasurer's Report approved GR/PQ

Pete: I support continued support for these conferences, real or virtual. (in response to Dan's email on 11/13 re: AWRA)

Baseline funding from National Audubon of \$1,538.25 received.

Committee Reports

Membership: see Jim's emailed report; NAS's number's not yet available

Conservation:

- RCC update
- AF's SW Florida Regional Resiliency Compact
- EvCo update: A Resolution of the Everglades Coalition in Opposition of Expanded Development and Operations at the Homestead Air Force Base in Miami-Dade County, Florida [Pete, was this a vote?]
- Estero Bay ABM update
- Sign on: Audubon Florida's Comments on FL 404 Assumption (copy available upon request)

Regional Resiliency Compact: Gerri is meeting with Halle Goldstein on 11/18 re: communicating with the City of Fort Myers.

Passed by EvCo: A Resolution of the Everglades Coalition in Opposition of Expanded Development and Operations at the Homestead Air Reserve Base in Miami-Dade County, Florida

Education:

Jim: Scholarship recipient will be featured in *Flyways*.

Field Trips: see Jim's emailed proposed 2021 schedule

Jim: Six Mile Cypress trip on 11/14: Attendance 12, Donations \$20. Website updated. January 2021 trip to Little Estero CWA still in planning stage.

Programs:

Jim: Nov. 19 Zoom program by Friends of Cayo Costa has more than 40 signed up. Suggestions for December program?

Gerri: Peace River Audubon is "piggy-backing" with Venice Audubon, as we did in September for Doug Tallamy's Zoom program. Should we contact VAS and offer a donation to join in?

Publicity & Newsletter:

- Newsletter items to Teddy
- Items for December's gmail blast

December gmail blast coming soon: Dec. field trip, EcoVoice, Kite Tails, and Amazon Smile.

New *Flyways* banner coming, thanks to Teddy's expertise and initiative.

National & State Audubon Updates

Jim participated in National Audubon's International Dark-sky Association Partnership webinar on Oct. 27.

Old Business

New Business

- Additional EvCo representative needed; no travel required
- Update on FGCU Service Learning students
- Christmas Bird Count: Orange River Circle on December 26; if interested, contact Jayne Johnston and Gerri

EvCo: Dan has agreed to be the primary delegate. Gerri will be alternate.

FGCU Service Learning: Jim found a suitable student and completed the gmail database project. Increased our gmail group to 1,778 (a 43% increase). Student credited with 19.5 hours!

Gerri's two students continue the bird-window collision project on campus.

Signed on to Center for Biological Diversity's Presidential Plastics Action Plan.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, December 17, 2020. Location TBD.

Annotated by Gerri Reaves, finalized November 19, 2020