

HEARTLAND CHAPTER MEETING
Circle B Bar Reserve – Lakeland
September 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order by David Waldrop, chapter co-chair. Two new visitors were recognized and welcomed.

Minutes: Minutes of the July meeting were provided for members to read. Monica made a motion to accept the minutes Val seconded. Motion passed.

Membership Report – As of August there were 127 memberships and 165 members.

Treasurer's Report – As of June 20, 2018 there was \$2501.97, paid out \$273.90 with deposits of \$295.00 for a total of \$2523.07 as of 9/8/18. There is \$30 still to be deposited. Jerry motion to accept, Val seconded. Motion passed.

Trail Coordinator Report

- Arbuckle – Had a meeting with forest service, they are finished with logging and control burn, David will schedule a session to reblaze that section. Some trees were left but will have to install posts. Trail is wet.
- Green Swamp East – no report
- KICCO – overgrown and limbs down. Work party will be held on November 18-21st.
- Tenoroc – is wet, but have been mowing and lopping.
- Willingham – no report

Speaker - Grant Lewis from Florida Conservation Voters was unable to attend. Will be scheduled for another date.

Old Business

- The old FTA office has currently not been demolished.
- The National Trails Festival, the 2018 State Conference, will be held at the Sanborne Center on Oct 5 – 7th. Details are posted on the FTA website. The Festival is free, only charge is for dinner. Sign up for dinner on website.

New Business

- National Public Lands Day will be held on September 22 at Highlands Hammock State Park. The chapter will do trail maintenance for the event. Details are on meetup.

Discussion:

- ✓ A Venus 11 kayak is available for sale. Contact Betty Piper, David or Monica for information.
- ✓ Hiking/camping Event will be held on November 29 - December 2 at Santos State Park near Ocala. Contact Tom O. for details.
- ✓ Many volunteer work projects are available on the FTA website.
- ✓ Florida Master Naturalist Program run by the University of Florida will have classes on Environmental Interpretation held on November 6-8, 2018 at Circle B Bar Reserve. See Florida Master Naturalist website for more information.

Rose made a motion to adjourn, Sandra seconded.