

General Meeting
February 3rd, 2018
Crane Bay Hunting Club
Trail riders Club

The Meeting was called to order by President David Osteen at 7:38 Pm.
David Osteen led the membership in prayer and spoke of Mr. Richard Borkland's passing.

Secretary's Report Minutes- The Secretary Patrick Neenan read the minutes from the June meeting in 2017. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Odie Carter and seconded by Jeff Bennett.

Treasurer's Fiscal Year Report- The Treasurer Tom LaFlam read the fiscal year report to the membership. A motion to accept the report was made by Lawrence Shannon and seconded by Nathan Jerrells.

A new report was read to the membership by Vice-President Robert Rewis. This report was from the Board updating the membership on topics the board has discussed and actions taken by the Board. One action discussed was done by the previous board in 2017 removing the dollar fines from the rules and replacing them with to be determined by the executive board. Several members voiced opinions objecting to the rule change by board and a motion was made by M.G. Ridgeway to overrule the board and revert the changes. This was seconded by Odie Carter. A vote was called and this passed by majority vote of the members present. This will go on the June ballot for all members to vote on.

Nominations for Chilly Watson's Director Position.

Chilly Watson was nominated by Odie Carter and seconded by Larry Boyd.

David (Duck) Hunter was nominated by Eddie Earl Rhodes and seconded by Robert Rewis Jr.

Aaron Dawson was nominated by Keith Rollison and seconded by M.G. Ridgeway.

Odie Carter made a motion to cease nominations with Charles Pinner seconding.

Nominations for Secretary.

Patrick Neenan was nominated by Lawrence Shannon and seconded by Odie Carter.

Larry Boyd made a motion to cease nominations with James Jennings Jr. seconding.

Nominations for President.

David Osteen was nominated by Odie Carter and seconded by John Lopez.

Doyle Ridgeway was nominated by Keith Rollison and seconded by Adam Lovvorn.

Odie Carter made a motion to cease nominations with Charles Pinner seconding.

New Business

There were 6 by-laws changes or additions and 2 rule changes submitted at this meeting.

1. By-law change submitted by Robert Rewis and seconded by majority vote of Board was read by Vice-President Robert Rewis. It would change the by-law on half paying members.
Article IV –Dues.
(b) Members that are 65 years of age or with permanent disability, and having been a member for (15) consecutive years will pay one-half price of regular membership fee for membership.

2. By-law change submitted by M.G. Ridgeway and seconded by Keith Rollison was read by Secretary Patrick Neenan. It would also change the by-law on half paying members by eliminating them. Article IV-Dues.

(b) All members will pay full dues except for the Executive Committee and the Club Attorney.

Any exceptions must be submitted in writing to the Club Secretary, justifying the request.

The Executive Committee will review and submit a recommendation to the membership for final determination.

(c) There will be a cap of 1 paid member per 145 acres.

There was discussion from the floor about the half paying members. The Treasurer explained the planned budget for next year along with the increase per acre on the price of our lease.

There was discussion from the floor on road maintenance and spending.

3. By-law change submitted by Larry LaFlam and seconded by James Jennings Jr. was read by Vice-President Robert Rewis. It would add a by-law addition to Article VI- Officers.

(g) The Executive Committee members shall read to the membership at the February and June meetings a report documenting hours spent on club business for justification to the membership of receiving free dues. Failure to do so will result in loss of Executive Committee position.

Margie LaFlam explained the reasoning behind Larry LaFlam's proposal in his absence, followed by James Jennings Jr.

There was discussion from the floor on the Board paying dues vs the work they do.

4. By-law change submitted by David Osteen and seconded by Charles Pinner was read by David Osteen. It would change Article X-Rules to read.

In February meeting is the only time a rule can be changed. It must be presented to club members at meeting to vote on proposed rule and if majority rules then it will go on ballot in June.

5. By-law change submitted by Chilly Watson and seconded by Ronnie Slaughter was read by Chilly Watson. It would add a by-law addition to Article VII Duties of Officers.

(d) All board members will vote to hire any work to be done in Crane Bay Hunting Club or any money spent with the exception of paying the lease and insurance or any materials the Secretary has to send out to board members.

There was discussion from the floor on road work being done for dues.

6. By-law change submitted by Chilly Watson and seconded by Ronnie Slaughter was read by Chilly Watson. It would change both the by-laws of Article VI- Officers section (a) and the rule under elections.

(a) At the June meeting you will sign in, receive your ballot, vote and then turn in your ballot in the locked box yourself. The results will be counted in front of all members present at June meeting.

Rule changes submitted by Chilly Watson and seconded by Ronnie Slaughter.

1) No new members will be excepted after the deadline unless needed to finish paying lease or insurance. If more members are needed board members will have to vote to except.

No exceptions from any one board member.

2) Remove all porta potties and dumpster from Crane Bay Hunting Club with the exception of 1 porta potty at the Davis Island Rock Pit.

There was discussion from the floor on the Club's Articles of Incorporation.

It was explained to members that the club is up to date on the corporation payments and annual filings. The past Secretary's have not handed down the Articles to each other so we have to write to the state to get a certified copy.

There was discussion from the floor on each Board member felt about dog running.

In the Club's By-laws it states we are a dog running club.

There was discussion from the floor on having a special meeting to vote on the by-law changes.

A motion to adjourn was made by Odie Carter and seconded by Lebo Matthis

Motion passed

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm.