

Wildlife Committee Meeting  
December 31, 2016

Committee Members

Present:

Stephen Lucas; Dirk Smit; Susan Gray; Cecil Jones

Absent:

Pedro Rodriguez; Stephanie Waters

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 9:00 – HEB (Café on the Run)

Old Business

- A. Monarch and Hummingbird Gardens – Gopi Chesetti will work on presentation to board
- B. Lake Management – Not ready to present to the board (Cecil to call to discuss the following issues):
  - a. Maintenance Issues - - fallen retaining walls
  - b. Plants for shallow areas for better spawning grounds – if we can make a better environment for spawning, we could spend less for restocking.
  - c. Explore ideas like using pea gravel or planters
  - d. Perhaps islands in the center for spawning – look outside of Lake Management company?
  - e. Will have Lake Management Company give committee presentation about State of the Lakes
  - f. Fish in lakes - need to encourage the board to continue the restocking program that is in the budget and has not been conducted in a few years. We advertise on the website that the amenities include: "27 fully stocked lakes . . .".
  - g. Get a priority of Lakes to Erica (Stephen) - Need to update duck count of lakes
- C. Get clarification from board – Will Duck Removal come from WLC budget or is it a separate line item in the budget?
- D. Communicate with Erica about duck removal - Phase 3 ducks
- E. Need to ask contractor (A-1) to give us a status and recommendations on duck removal and mallard introduction

New Business

- A. Fundraiser for Butterfly gardens. Guided tours of the Wild areas around Grand Lakes (Oxbow Lakes – between Cinco Ranch and Grand Lakes around Peek). Need to check with board if checks could be made out to Grand Lakes or do we need to get our own bank account.
- B. Research on barbless hooks – perhaps article in newsletter (Susan)
- C. Need to get more "Do NOT Feed the Ducks" signs

Next Meeting – January 14, 2017 HEB (Café on the Run) 9:00AM