



Texas Conference of Clubs
Spring Meeting
April 25, 2009 — 1:00 PM

Chairman Jim Newsome called the meeting to order at 1:11 PM at Buzzards' Peak land site. The Chairman asked all present to observe a moment of silence to remember our ill and departed friends and loved ones.

Secretary Bob Whittaker called the roll:

Austin Gay Nudists	Bill Cary
Bound by Desire	Absent
Chain of Command	Lobo [Proxy]
Colt 45's	Steve Bunch
Cowtown Leathermen	Ron Denning
Cross Timbers Prime Timers	Bob Whittaker [proxy]
Dallas MC	Absent
Discipline Corps	Guy Jones
Firedancers – Houston	John Szewczyk
Heart of Texas Bears	Kirk Lammert
Houston Area Bears	Woodja Flanigan [Proxy]
Lone Star Leathermen	Jack Elsbree
Misfits Houston	Woodja Flanigan
TCC Independents (A)	Lobo [Proxy]
TCC Independents (B)	Lobo [Proxy]
Touch of Leather	Stan Morris
Trinity River Bears	Brian Epperson

Recognition of Visitors

No visitors present at the meeting.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman briefly outlined a procedure for the meeting where each delegate will have three minutes to discuss proposals; there will be a second two minute round. Other members may discuss for three minutes for one round after the delegates talk.

Jim mentioned we are getting off to a good start this year, and that we have had two successful runs so far this year.

The Chairman also discussed "Call The Question" procedure.

Secretary's Report

Ron Denning made a motion to accept the Minutes of the regular meeting of January 17, 2009. Lobo seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report

Lee thanked everyone who made donations to TCC. Lee talked more about the new accounting system, and requested people pay quarterly, semi-annually, or annually.

A written copy of the Treasurer's Report is [available on the web](#).

Stan Morris made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Ron Denning seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Committee—Coordinator Reports

Land Management

Brian thanked everyone for their donations to help improve the land site.

We have a stone [gravel] project for the PWA weekend. A truckload of gravel will be dumped near the picnic tables and then spread out.

Brian said he had a list of projects posted on the bulletin board for the weekend and asked everyone to put their name next to the project they handle.

Regarding pet permits: if you stay in the bunkhouse, please do not bring a pet. Brian recommended that people sign and pay for their permit prior to bringing their pet on the property. We are going to change the pet agreement to exclude the dogs on the Texas dangerous breed list.

There are several who have not signed their permanent site agreement, and we need to get those processed.

If you plan to come down to work on something at the land site, be sure to check the calendar to be certain there is not a run that weekend. There have been a couple of instances where people showed up to work on something without realizing there was a run in progress.

Lobo and Lee donated a new pump system for the swimming pool. We are going to designate a few people to work with the pool chemicals so we do not have many people adding them.

The grill in the kitchen is unworkable. It will cost approximately \$500 to repair it. Brian said he would like to see a proposal to replace the grill at a cost of up to \$1,000.

Jack Elsbree made a motion to allocate up to \$1,000 to purchase a replacement for the bad grill. Guy Jones seconded the motion. Jack mentioned we need to tell the supplier it is not in an enclosed space. Jim asked for donations. The Independents abstained. The motion was approved.

Another small project we would like to move forward with is a small deck behind the dressing room where the terrain is uneven.

Electric bill for the first quarter 2009 was \$1,154.00; income for the electricity account was \$510.00, for a loss of \$644.00.

Land Management is still working on the electric meter situation for the long-term sites.

A sign is in place where the new restroom will be constructed. Will purchase the septic tank and bring it in. Because of installing the tank and maintenance, we will need to cut down approximately six trees.

There are many individuals with differing thoughts about how PWA should be handled. Brian asked that anyone who has a question, suggestion, or problems with the PWA bring it to Land Management and not to John.

LoneStar 21

Frank said most everything is under control, still looking into some games Epiphany from TOL will spearhead the meals for the weekend. Ron Denning will handle contests and opening ceremonies. Donna Dumae will MC the show. We are looking for someone to take over as compound master. Currently have about 75 people signed up.

Wi-Fi

Lobo said we are doing well. Income exceeded expenses.

Old business

Proposed Amendment Regarding Proxies

Stan Morris moved that the proposed amendment, as submitted by Lilly Weck, be accepted. Frank Manko seconded. Voting in favor of the amendment: Lone Star Leathermen, TRB, Cowtown, Independents A & B, TOL. Opposed Firedancers, Colt 45s, Misfits, AGN, Hot Bears, DC and Chain of Command. Abstained: Primetimers. The motion failed.

Proposed Land Site Event Agreement Fee Change

Ron Denning moved to accept the proposed changes to the Land Site Event Agreement fees. Seconded by Lobo. Brian made a friendly amendment that

the bunkhouse fee be lowered from \$25 to \$20, the RV fee be increased to \$35, the increments will be increase proportionately. For clubs who already have posters out and can provide a copy of that by 11:00 PM Sunday night, April 26, 2009 we will charge the rate now in effect on the bunkhouse, TCC Trailer and RVs. Friendly amendment carried.

Ron withdrew his original motion. The only portion of his proposal he wishes to vote on is the change of the per person attending fee from \$10 to \$15 and elimination of electric fee for tents. The rest of the proposal will be rewritten and presented at a later date. Lobo seconded. Motion was approved.

New Business

John Dye

John thanked everyone who contributed their hard time and efforts to building the first aid station.

Daddy James

Daddy James presented plans for a proposed run by HILT the second weekend of November. The [details of the proposed run are available online](#).

Lobo made a motion, seconded by Ron Denning, to allow HILT to hold their run the weekend of November 6, 7 and 8, 2009. Independents A & B abstained. Motion carried.

Jack Elsbree

Jack mentioned the backhoe issue. The cost to purchase one to use on his tractor is about \$7,500. Rental is about \$600 for the week. The backhoe is to put in the septic system in the compound area, which needs to be done as soon as possible. Funds for the project are allocated through the sanitary station accounts.

Proposed Amendment Regarding Age

Jim read the proposed amendment. Proposal needs to be taken to the member clubs.

Nominations

Chairman – Lobo nominated Jim Newsome, Stan Morris seconded. Lobo nominated Ron Denning, seconded John Szewczyk. Lobo moved nominations for Chairman be closed, second Ron Denning.

Secretary – Ron Denning nominated Bob Whittaker, Lobo seconded. Lobo made a motion to close nominations for Secretary, Ron Denning seconded.

Two Year Land Management – Woodja nominated John Szewczyk, second by Kirk Lammert. Lilly nominated Stan Morris, Steve Bunch seconded. Brian nominated Dale Arndt, second by Kirk Lammert. Guy Jones nominated himself, Jack Elsbree seconded. Lobo moved the nominations for the two year land management position be closed, Ron Denning seconded.

One Year Land Management – Peter Reid submitted a written request to be considered, Kirk Lammert seconded. Lobo nominated Dan Baker, second Jack Elsbree. Lobo moved nominations be closed, seconded by Ron Denning.

Note: After the meeting, Ron Denning asked if we could add the name of Marion Ayers, Bound by Desire, as a candidate for the One Year Land Management position. Inasmuch as we allow write in nominations at the time of election, I am recording her name now, and she will be added to the ballot as a write in.

One Year Land Management –Steve nominated John Szewczyk, seconded by Frank Manko. Lobo nominated David Yero, seconded by Guy. Jack nominated Guy, seconded by Lobo. Kirk Lammert nominated himself, seconded by John Sweczcyk. Lobo moved nominations be closed, seconded by Ron Denning.

Announcements

Kirk – Max needs some help in relocating things in the compound.

Lilly –change the calendar to reflect exclusive use days.

Meeting adjourned at 3:27 PM.