



Winchester Chapter of the Izaak Walton League Board of Directors Meeting October 5, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledges/Adoption of the Agenda: The meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm. Roll call was taken. Present were Dan Arico, Bill Nordman, Jim Sherry, Paul Sattler, Peg Sattler, John Suter, Jeff McCall, and Rick Hill. Quorum was established. Also present were John Campbell, Brian Jenkins, and Zane Jenkins, all of Boy Scout Troop 22. Board members recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the IWLA Pledge. The agenda was adopted.

President's Report: President Arico reported that resolutions for presentation at the next IWLA National meeting must be submitted by February, 2024. He also reminded the Board of the Chapter food drive to be from October 19 through November 11, 2023. Dan described the Eagle Scout project to be undertaken by Zane Jenkins of Boy Scout Troop 22, the design and building of a pavilion at the Arico camp site. A permit will be required. VP Bill Nordman will pursue obtaining the permit and advise Zane Jenkins of any input needed from him. The Board approved the project.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Paul Sattler reported that the August financial reports have been completed and that September is still in work.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the September 7, 2023 Board of Directors meeting were approved.

Membership Report: Membership Director Peg Sattler reported that Chapter membership currently stands at 948. A motion to require a government photo identification and the performance of background checks on new member applicants was moved by Peg Sattler, seconded by Paul Sattler. The motion is pending further discussion.

Facilities Report: No report.

Range Committee: Nothing to report.

Lake and Conservation Committee: Committee Chair Brian Callahan submitted a written report. See attachment.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

/s/J F Sherry

J. F. Sherry, Secretary

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Lake and Conservation Committee:

Lake:

New Eagle project of a floating sanctuary. The island is a turtle habitat while the plants growing in the island provide protection for small fish. The species of plants also assist with water cleanup. This was an Eagle Scout project from Troop 15 - Life Scout Andy Colf.

The final trout stocking of the year is expected at the end of this month.

Campground:

Troop 15 recently camped last weekend and completed several hours of outdoor service work clearing the trails to the Prater outpost. This one troop has completed 35 hrs of service work this year.

The county burn ban has been lifted.

A dangerous dead honey locust has been taken down at the edge of the campground. The tree will be cleaned up over the next 2 weeks. All of the downed tree on the rifle pistol range has been cleaned up and remaining sections were relocated to the wood pile by the chapter house.

Fall season will begin the removal of autumn olive again in the campground area, lake and by the front entrance.

Youth Events:

The annual Millbrook marching band end of season bonfire has been scheduled in November.

Chapter Related:

The annual chapter food drive will be October 19 - November 11. We will again coordinate with the boy scouts to assist with the food drive. Member Tino Peabody and his family have graciously assisted with this event every year and will assist again this year.

Rifle Pistol:

The new steel targets have been installed. Thank you to John Suter for acquiring 2 additional tubular steel stands. Please have every board member stop by and check the steel targets when they come to the chapter. A simple visual inspection will suffice. We need to know ASAP if any damage is done to actively investigate issues. All of the new steel targets were purchased at Sportsman's Warehouse. Total project cost was about \$400 for targets and stands. The bulk of the expense was an upgrade to the wood stands and old targets. About \$150 was the replacement cost for the damage that was done. It's important to note that the steel was present for about 2 years prior to the vandalism that occurred so the majority of the members use it responsibly.



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A local security company has reviewed the rifle pistol range for cameras and complete monitoring. The system will have a complete 270 degree view of the benches and immediate parking area with 2-3 months of video storage. They have completed multiple ranges in our area and including off grid situations like ours. The system will provide on demand video meaning we are not using cellular service to avoid the ongoing monthly costs. Estimate 6-8k for a professional, supported system including a power source protected in a NEMA enclosure.