

Minutes from WHPOA Meeting on June 7th 2025

Officers Present: Jason Jackson (President) Darren Niedermeyer (Treasurer)

Terri Hightower (Assistant Treasurer) Jeff Armour (Secretary)

Board Members Present: Matt Wedig

A total of 14 members signed the Meeting Attendance Sheet.

Members read the last meeting notes from March 8th 2025. Motion was made and members approved Minute Meetings from the March 8th 2025 meeting.

Treasurers Report: There is a current balance of \$39,477.07 in the FNBC checking account. The Evolve Bank CD account has a current balance of \$89,343.17.

The President gave updates on services completed or in progress:

Fulton County 2024 taxes expensed for \$44.25. Website extended through December 2027 expensed for \$39.98. United States Treasury expensed for \$675.00 (interest earned as income) for 2024 Federal Taxes. Department of Finance and Administration expensed for \$35.00 2024 State of Arkansas taxes (interest earned as income.) Travel to Little Rock State Dam Inspection Meeting expensed for \$35.00. B&B Supply for purchase of lock and chain to secure top entrance of dam expensed for \$18.61. B&B Supply purchase of lumber and screws for dock addition and repairs expensed at \$718.74. Office supplies purchased from Walmart expensed for \$153.11.

POA President negotiated deal with FNBC Bank to start receiving interest payments on checking account balance of 3% annually.

POA President negotiated deal to receive free truckloads of dirt after purchasing truckloads of gravel for the boat landing area (Estimated savings \$2000 to \$2500.)

Thank you to Jeff Meyer for helping prep the boat landing area for repair. Another thank you to Expressions Graphic LLC (Scott Quintana and crew) for making our

quarterly meeting signs along with additional boat stickers. (It was a donation to the POA in the amount of \$163.53.)

A policy discussion was made concerning the state of Arkansas Dam Safety Inspection Meeting in Little Rock. The Secretary explained what the state was expecting and requiring at the time of an actual inspection. The secretary also explained the POA doesn't have the funds to repair the dams or hire an engineer that the state would require if the dams fail inspections. The Secretary also explained there was no state or federal grants for dam improvement or maintenance (at the time of the second meeting in Horseshoe Bend.) The President also explained the plan to clean out the spillway by using the prisoner program that has been used in the past. The President said once the prisoners completed their cleaning that the area would be sprayed with a specific chemical to kill off everything but the grass. The Secretary said all the information that was received at the state meeting is now on the WHPOA website www.hardywhpoa.org under the Documents section. (Click on Documents at top of the website.)

A motion was made and seconded to allow spraying of specific chemical to be sprayed on dam to kill everything but the grass.

A policy discussion was made to discuss plans for the boat landing area. The President explained the bringing in of gravel to create a specified picnic area under the trees. The plan is to add another picnic table and two permanent cooking grills (like the ones at rest areas and parks.) The other plan is to level the ground on the other side of the boat ramp to expand vehicle and boat trailer parking.

A policy discussion was made on the actual wooden boat dock. The President explained additions had been made to the existing dock. Steps have now been placed at the dock so you can get out of your boat and walk up the stairs to the dock. The President also stated railing has been installed around the boat dock for safety reasons. Old deck boards were also replaced to improve appearance and safety. The Secretary said stain and deck recovery products would be applied

when the weather cooperated and the new boards had time to cure. The supplies to stain the deck have already been purchased.

A policy discussion was made on a new boat landing entrance system. The Treasurer explained one of the options to replace the current padlock and key system. The President also let everyone know the gate itself will be replaced and widened in the future. The cable currently across the front of the property will eventually be replaced with a rod iron type fence system.

A policy discussion was made on the purchase of fish to stock the lake. The President said 300 grass carp plus additional fish have been ordered to start the process of restocking the lake. He explained the grass carp would help with the elimination of weeds along the banks of the lake. He also said different types of fish would be open for discussion in future restocking of the lake.

Motion to discuss questions asked by members:

The President said the selling of the POA property containing the well was still an ongoing process and nothing to report.

The President said there were no known safety issues on the lakes after the flooding earlier this year.

The President understood the POA property along the spillway ends at the low water bridge and that members can fish along the spillway. Non-members are not allowed to fish along the spillway (insurance issue). The President also stated that signs will eventually be put up stating members only.

The President said members can call Arkansas Game and Fish. The Secretary also explained a Game Warden was a member of the POA. He also stated it would be up to that individual to enforce any violations if said individual were on their own time while on the lake.

The President said in the future the lake would not be lowered except every 3-4 years. The reasoning behind this is that we are losing too many fish each year (going down the spillway) and docks aren't getting repaired. The plan is in future years to have enough dues to spray for weeds and stock more fish according to

needs. He let it be known that select property owners right on the lake agreed to pay for the spraying this year and not effect spending since the POA money is going toward the boat landing and spillway area.

The question was asked on how people volunteer time or equipment when things need done around the POA. The President asked the Secretary to send out an email to everyone. The Secretary explained the weather has not cooperated so far this year in the completion of work at the boat landing. It was also explained the President has the plan for the boat landing area and volunteers will be notified by the President if they choose to help at the boat landing.

A motion was made to adjourn and the motion received a second.

Meeting Adjourned