

**Loess Hills Audubon Society Board Minutes
February 1, 2024
Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center**

**Members Present: Rex R, Bill H, Sharon P, Jerry P, Marla K, Jeri W, Jody M,
Randy W, Pam S, Kart S**

**Honored Guests: Maria R, Jerry V, Jan N, Kevin K, Jeanne B, John P, Seth L,
Dona P, Bill Z, Dotty Z,**

I. Call to order Rex R 6:02 II. Review of January minutes

A. Motion to approve JP 2nd JM Approved III. Accomplishments

A. Ia Prairie Conference Leesa M

IV. Rex R President Report

A. Working on Annual Audubon report due March 1

1. Chapter leaders can access and help fill out report

B. LHAS Archives being reviewed for Disposition?

C. Nominating committee Maria R, Bill H, others?

V. Bill H Report

A. B. C.

**January outing Waterman 11 people 25 species Foggy February 17 outing The
Great North American bird count March outing TBA**

VI.

Sharon P Treasurer report

A.

Beginning Balance \$ 5,435.43 1. Deposits

2. \$24 Warbler; s Journey 2 books 3. \$60 memberships

4. \$80 Gary Heineman donation

5. Total \$211.00 B. Withdrawals

1. **\$136.00 Record Printing sales tax**
2. **\$75.00 Speaker compensation**
3. **Total \$211.00**
4. **Bill Vust bequest no change**

C. Ending Balance \$5,388.43

VII. Membership Committee report Marla K

1. **1 new membership**
2. **Birding backpack update (Rex, Maria, Randy, Marla) 1-9-24**
 - a. **Applied for Jr. League Siouxland Community Foundation grant \$900 for 5 backpacks. Awards will be made at the end of March**
 - b. **1000 LHAS patches to use on backpacks and other projects**
 - c. **Bill and Marla working on cost estimates of items for backpacks**
3. **Silent Auction postponed until February 10 due to weather**
4. **5.**

OWLS program Hillview Recreation Area February 27 Pam and Randy a. Randy Power point presentation and membership info

Birdathon May 11

- a. **Apply for contributions Scheels, Fleet Farm, Barnes and Noble, Book**

People

- b. **Other planning deferred to Finance committee February meeting**
6. **Siouxland Big Give (October 2024) Kari and Jody working on participating**
 7. **Siouxland Bird Guide finalized and printed will be stored at Golden Hills**

distributed as needed VIII. Conservation committee

1. **Marla and Kari met 1-19 and 1-22 compiled criteria and emailed to City Council, Mayor and City Manager 1-8-24.**
2. **Kari will followup with 2 City officials for a letter of support**
3. **Marla will meet with Rex and review application**
4. **Marla will follow up with 2 City Council members for support**
5. **Revisit installing used fishing line receptacle at Turtle Lake Stone Park**
6. **Marla will reorder Cats indoors pamphlets and redistribute**
7. **Kevin K has been emptying the used fishing receptacles**
8. **Possible added partners to contact for Bird Friendly Partners a. Community Enhancements with the Chamber of Commerce**

b. City of Sioux City Environmental Advisory Board

IX. Monthly Programs Randy W

- 1. March 7, 2024 Dave Hoferer, Dark Skies/ Lights Out**
- 2. April 4, 2024 Jon Nysten/ Leesa McNeil Birding and Native Adventures**
- 3. May 2, 2024 Phil Breed Honeybees**
- 4. September 5, 2024 Steve Backus Antarctica Birding via ZOOM**

X. Adjournment 7:01

- 1. Motion Bill H, second JM approved**