

WBS Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2018

The quarterly meeting of Wimberley Birding Society was called to order by President Evans at 10 a.m., Monday, November 19, at Wimberley Community Center. She welcomed all, including 3 new members and guests.

Jerry Hall introduced guest speaker, Hayley Hudnall, executive director of Austin Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Inc. The Austin Wildlife Rescue is an all-volunteer organization that provides at-home care for wildlife in need, with the ultimate goal of returning animals to the wild. They rescued 7700 animals in 2017; 50% were birds.

Treasurer Sandy Wallace reported the beginning balance of \$7,100.06. She explained the income and expenses which resulted in an ending balance of \$6,903.35.

David Glenn reported on efforts to minimize effects on the Patsy Glenn Refuge of ongoing construction of the senior living facility. Robert Currie and David are coordinating with Wimberley city officials, the construction contractor, and volunteer members to try to minimize water runoff impact on the refuge. Jerry Lunow volunteered to help with landscape design when feasible. David also reported that at the October workday at the refuge volunteers pulled weeds, spread mulch, cleaned the blind and built a stone walkway leading to the blind.

David Glenn reminded members that the podium used at the community center was constructed by Bill Wofford and is in need of repair.

Dick Barham reported that 15 people participated in Road Scholar birding trip to Monterey Bay California. Approximately 115 birds were seen.

Linda Gawkoski and Karen Duncan described the upcoming trip to Southwest Montana, Yellowstone and Grand Tetons National Parks in June 2019. This is Merlin Birding Tours trip with Steve Hoffman as guide. There are still slots available.

Lynne Schaffer described upcoming trip to Costa Rica in February 2019; a trip to Minnesota in June 2019; and a trip to the Pacific northwest, also in June 2019. These trips are provided by Partnership for International Birding. Jesse Huth is the guide.

President Evans called for a motion to approve minutes of the May 2018 meeting. Motion was made and minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

President Evans invited everyone to join for lunch at Milagros.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gawkoski, WBS Secretary