

Rocky Hollow Ranch Wildlife Management Association

Annual Meeting Minutes

22 February 2025 – 9:30 AM

- Meeting was called to order by Tommy Parker at 9:41 AM.
- Tommy welcomed the following new lot owners to the WMA: Ben and Sienna Hardesty (Lot 12). The other new property owner, Glenn Yorek (Lot 6), was absent.
- Tommy gave a status report on various wildlife in our area. Coyotes are one species that our association supports because they are native to the area and help to control pests. However, they can be dangerous, especially during mating season. Member Kimberly DeLaCruz added that the female coyotes “sing” during their mating season while the males respond. Coyotes can become aggressive, especially during mating season, so Tommy said we should avoid feeding them. Members are advised to sweep up fallen bird seed and not leave pets out at night. Coyotes are able to jump some fences, so both pets and young children should be kept away from them. If a person encounters a coyote, the best thing to do is to make a lot of noise: Bang pots and pans together, yell, jump up and down, spray with water, etc. Never run from a coyote because they will give chase.
“Fun facts”: Cedar and mesquite, although disliked by many, are considered native to the area and thus from a wildlife management aspect, are beneficial. However, cedars can become too thick and dense, and can damage habitat. It is not recommended that they be eradicated completely, but members should keep in mind that they are heavy water users. Member Brady Meyer pointed out that piles of cut dried cedars can be used as habitat for quail, and this may be considered as a future WMA project. He said that quail also utilize basketball-sized clumps of grass positioned every ten feet.

- RHRWMA Secretary’s Report – Katherine Hilton
 - o Minutes from 24 February 2024 Annual Meeting were emailed previously with action required to approve.
Motion to approve was made by Brady Meyer and seconded by Kim DeLaCruz. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- RHRWMA Treasurer’s Report – Tommy Parker gave the report in the absence of Cathy Jacobson. Our account has a balance of \$8862 at this time.
 - o Current report was emailed previously with action required to approve.
Motion to approve was made by Kim DeLaCruz, and seconded by Robert Mathews. The report was approved unanimously.

- Old Business
 - o Tommy Parker reported that the 2024 Annual 1-D-1 Report was completed and emailed to the county appraisal district on December 23, 2024. The full report was previously emailed to the membership. A hard copy is available for review.
 - o There was no other old business.
- New Business

o Vote on 2025 WMA assessment. Tommy proposed our assessment remain at \$100 per lot. Robert Mathews made the motion, and Kay Jacobs gave the second. The motion passes unanimously.

o WMA 2025 Projects and Project Managers - Information only, no action required

- Supplemental Shelter – Bat Boxes – SPRING -Mark Swingler, project manager
- Supplemental Food – Gamebird Mineral Blocks/stands – SPRING & FALL – Scott Cason, project manager. If a member needs a stand, they are asked to contact Mark Swingler.
- Habitat Control (range reseeding) – winter grass seed – FALL – Robert Mathews, project manager

o WMA 2025 Work Days - Information only

- Spring (1st Saturday in April) – April 5
- Fall (1st Saturday in October) – October 4

o WMA Board Elections for 2025 presented by Tommy Parker

- President – Tommy Parker 2024/2025. Tommy is resigning mid-term. The board presented Tami Swingler to succeed Tommy as President. As there were no further nominations from the floor, Bill Bundy made the motion for election, and Brady Meyer gave the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- Vice President – Robert Mathews 2023/2024 – end of term. Robert has agreed to serve another term. As there were no further nominations from the floor, Bill Bundy made the motion to re-elect, and Scott Cason gave the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- Treasurer – Cathy Jacobson 2024/2025 – midterm, no action required.
- Secretary – Katherine Hilton 2024/2025 – midterm, no action required.
- At Large Position – Scott Cason 2024/2025 – midterm, no action required.
- At Large Position – Mark Swingler 2024/2025 – midterm, no action required.
- At Large Position – Tami Swingler 2024/2025 As Tami has been elected President, an election was required. Kim DeLaCruz was recommended by the board to fill the position, assisted by her husband Mike DeLaCruz. The motion was made to elect by Linda Bundy, and Paula Cipollone gave the second. The motion passed unanimously.

• In other new business, Bill Bundy reported that he will capture and relocate venomous reptiles to another location.

Kim DeLaCruz reported that she has seen two skunks and a ringtail on her property.

o As there was no other business, Tommy entertained a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Katherine Hilton made the motion, and Linda Bundy gave the second. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katherine Hilton, Secretary
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