



Lucketts Ruritan

Board of Directors: Jim McKenzie, President; Conrad Falk, Vice President; Elizabeth Penaranda, Secretary; Craig Bond, Treasurer; Tom Small, Rich Cleland, Al Menendez, Pat Logue, Directors

General Membership Meeting Minutes- February 7th, 2017

Attending: Bates, Bond, Cleland, Dunn, Fabboli, Falk, Frankenfield, Hart, Hillebrand, Kemp, Logue, McKenzie, Menendez, Meyerhofer, Moffett, Penaranda, Quitter, Snooks, Sorrell, Stanley

Guests: None.

CTO by Pres. Mckenzie at 7:30 PM.

Pres. McKenzie began the meeting by presenting Ian Moffett with a President's Award plaque to recognize him for the extensive amount of work he performed for the club in 2016. Not only did Ian manage 17 parking events, which involved scheduling 50 participants from our club and the Lovettsville/Waterford club, but he personally put in more than 120 hours. We thank Ian for his dedication and commitment to our club and encourage more members to step up in the new year and participate.

Minutes: Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: C. Bond noted this financial period for January was five weeks instead of four. He reported total income of \$6,305.04 and expenses of \$744.05 for a net ordinary income of \$5,560.91. Accounts receivable were \$1,835.06, for a total net income of \$7395.97. Checking account has \$8,549.35; our T. Rowe Price account has \$155,569.76, for an assets total of \$165,914.25. Banquet dues owed were \$600.00; member dues owed were \$1,195.06. Treasurer's report was approved with corrections to profit and loss sheet.

New Business:

Meals: Dinner was prepared again this month by the café and market Roots@657. Pres. McKenzie reminded members that we are responsible for cleaning up and managing any leftovers.

Finance Committee Report: C. Falk summarized the 2016 finances and donations report. The committee recommended raising the requested trash donation to \$6.00 to offset the increased compactor cost. We will put up a sign and distribute handouts at trash for the next several weeks to advertise this change. The group discussed the issue of having enough one dollar bills to make change; it was decided to keep \$20

Next Meeting

March 21st, 2017 7:30 P.M.
Lucketts Community Center

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Program: Our program will be a discussion of the arrowhead collection dedication and an upcoming meeting with Geary Higgins on Rt. 15 improvements.

in ones in the box kept at the fire station to be available for change for those coming early. S. Sorrell noted that our trash service was originally set up as a community service and that we may not want to use it as a large fund raiser, unless we now look at the service as a business for our club, similar to our parking services. D. Snooks pointed out that our trash collection service prevents or reduces littering on the local roadsides and ditches, which was a big problem in years past. D. Fabboli moved to approve raising the donation amount to \$6.00. Motion was passed.

Another budget issue was to raise the membership dues to \$40/qtr. The last raise in dues was in 2005. C. Falk noted that even \$40 does not cover our meals and dues to Ruritan National. M. Dunn stated that dues should at least cover our meals. S. Sorrell noted that a dues increase could keep new members from coming in to the club, but M. Quitter thought the membership issue is more about being willing to volunteer for the community than money. Dunn suggested that we consider a discount if members pay the full yearly dues amount upfront. D. Fabboli moved to increase dues to \$40/qtr, to start the second quarter of the year on April 1st. Motion was passed. C. Falk stated that the rest of the submitted budget for 2017 is very similar to that of last year.

S. Hillebrand noted that our proposed changes to scholarships, to budget a college scholarship at \$5K and LCC scholarships at \$10K, are significant. Falk explained that we would make the \$10K available to LCC as needed and that we also have about \$10K in reserve if we see further needs. J. McKenzie noted that our funds are set aside for "scholarships," not "High School Scholarships" and that assistance to LCC is also "scholarships." He noted that we will make a large

impact on our community by assisting younger students at LCC. M. Dunn noted that our earnings on our \$75K investment fund designed to fund scholarships should go back into the fund to grow it yearly. P. Logue noted that our help to LCC for younger children may help us to recruit new club members, as the parents will become more familiar with us and what we do and how we assist LCC. D. Fabboli moved to accept the recommended scholarship changes; motion was passed. C. Falk noted that our other donation amounts in the 2017 budget are the same as last year. P. Logue moved to approve the 2017 budget as presented; motion was passed.

Scholarship Committee: J. McKenzie reported that T. Small attended a meeting at Tuscarora High School and talked to 24 potential applicants. He noted that our application is now online.

Committee Assignments: C. Falk stated that if any member wishes to change or add to their committee assignments, they should do it soon, as we will soon post the assignments on our website.

Route 15 Meeting With Geary Higgins: Pres. McKenzie explained that the purpose of our March meeting is to provide an opportunity for Supervisor Higgins to speak about the proposed work on Rt. 15. A transportation study report from VDOT is expected this spring. This meeting will be open to our club and family members and interested friends, but we will hold an open community-wide meeting later, after we have seen the report. S. Hillebrand recently attended a meeting at the Village Green community and asked if we could invite their HOA president to this meeting with Higgins. J. McKenzie will contact their HOA president to issue this invitation. P. Logue stated that the Selma community is still managed by developer Stanley Martin and that this Rt. 15 meeting is important to these new communities because home values are affected by the traffic and safety issues.

Hillebrand again noted that we need rumble strips and reflectors on the road as minimal safety actions. He presented a map showing where these items were installed and where not. He noted that Geary Higgins held a meeting with VDOT at county offices to solicit input from the Catoctin Coalition, represented by Martha Polkey, about what to do after the study is complete. The group advocated for VDOT to study the whole Rt. 15 corridor and to complete installation of rumble strips and reflectors, which was never completed

after the recent repavement. He noted that these safety initiatives are very spotty along the road but that VDOT said they may wait until the next repaving to address the issue. Pres. McKenzie reiterated that our club will not take sides on this issue, but would advocate for safety.

Old Business:

Trash: J. McKenzie noted that on one Saturday in January, only one person showed up at trash, leaving only one person to handle the session. He again emphasized that members should check the schedule on the website and that everyone is responsible for finding their own replacement if they cannot make their scheduled time. M. Ferreira is not responsible for calling, reminding, or finding replacements; she is considering ending her schedule maintenance task if things do not improve. One suggestion was to put five or six names in the box as emergency help who people can call if needed; anyone willing to be on this list should contact Pres. McKenzie.

Lucketts Junk Yard: The Environmental Committee will meet soon to update the status of this site. From drone video, we know that some trucks have been removed, but we will continue to press the county to address the ongoing environmental issues at this location.

Arrowhead Collection: Ray Wagner has completed the display cabinet. A meeting with the museum spokesperson has been scheduled to begin assembling the displays. The presentation to the LCC will be Tuesday evening, April 11th. We will invite the following individuals and groups: Jenkins Family, Geary Higgins, Lucketts Ruritan Club members, Community Center Advisory Board, Parks & Rec. representative, Museum BOD and Ray and Doug from the Lucketts Cabinet Shop. We anticipate that approximately 50-60 persons will attend. The plan is to honor Enos Victor Jenkins for his collection and to dedicate these artifacts to the Lucketts Community! Contact John Adams if you have any suggestions for the dedication ceremony.

Announcements:

1. Pres. McKenzie announced that the club still needs help with Treasurer duties. If anyone is interested, please contact Jim. Knowledge of QuickBooks is required. Craig and Patti Bond will train anyone interested.

2. M. Quitter noted the availability of a booklet describing all LCC programs, camps and special classes. He encouraged members to take a booklet and become familiar with all that LCC does for Lucketts families.
3. Pres. McKenzie announced that Tim Hyland has resigned from the club, as of March 1st.

The trash schedule can always be found on our website at: <http://luckettsruritan.org/for-members>, then click on the "[Compactor/Recycling Assignments](#)" link.

Pledge of Allegiance was said and the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 PM

Submitted by Elizabeth Penaranda, Secretary

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

February 28th, 2017

Attending: Bond, Cleland, Falk, McKenzie, Menendez, Penaranda, Quitter

CTO 7:32 PM.

The Board approved the draft February General Meeting minutes with the correction of a change in the March General meeting date to the third Tuesday of the month.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer C. Bond provided the February financial profit and loss statement reports. Total income was \$4,953.24 (reflecting trash receipts, member dues and banquet income) and expenses were \$6,578.35, reflecting compactor service cost for two months, National dues, meeting meals, web site and miscellaneous expenses) for a net ordinary and total income of -\$1,625.11. Checking account has \$6,473.32; our T. Rowe Price account has \$159,937.19, for an assets total of \$167,794.57. Dues owed are \$924; banquet dues still owed are \$460. Bond noted that some delinquent dues from 2016 were carried over into 2017 and that two checks to the Waterford club for their parking assistance have not been cashed. The BOD approved the Treasurer's Report.

New Business:

Finance Committee Report: C. Falk reported that the committee has scheduled a meeting for next week. He reiterated that the quarterly dues change, if approved by the membership, will start in the second quarter, on April 1st.

Scholarship Committee Report: No updates.

Committee Assignments: Pres. McKenzie stated that P. Baker can no longer head the Membership Committee. Suggested replacements include S. Sorrell and J. Adams. McKenzie will contact these members to discuss.

Rt. 15 Meeting with Supervisor Geary Higgins: Pres. McKenzie noted that Martha Polkey of the Catocin Coalition has accepted our invitation to attend this meeting and to report on her group's findings. Additional potential attendees include several spouses of club members, members of the Healey and Frye families who were involved in

accidents on Rt. 15, Geary Higgins and Mike Watkins from the Village Green community. Pres. McKenzie noted that the acoustics in the LCC auditorium are not great, but we will use the room because we need the extra space. He also noted that we have approved Roots@657 to provide 40 meals.

Monthly Speakers: Pres. McKenzie announced that our program for April will be the dedication of the arrowhead collection at LCC. Invitees include the Jenkins family, Geary Higgins, the Head of Loudoun Co. Parks & Recreation Dept., the Loudoun Museum Board, LCC Community Center Advisory Board members, and Ray and Doug from the cabinet shop. We estimate about 50 attendees at this special meeting. For this meeting, we will not have a dinner but will provide fingerfoods and appetizers

For our May meeting, we will have a speaker from Eagletree Farm cafe and winery. We need ideas for new meal providers for May, but June will be our annual picnic and potluck meal.

C. Bond reported that he attended a talk on the local area Indian nation at Point of Rocks, given by Chris Hough, a local historian from Frederick County. He suggested that we consider inviting Chris to speak to our club at an upcoming meeting. This meeting could also be opened to the community.

Lucketts Elementary School: The LES PTA submitted a proposal for new playground equipment at the school and asked our club for a donation. J. Frankenfield provided several photos of the proposed project, which included a slide and a shade canopy. After discussion, the BOD voted not to provide additional funds for this project at this time, since we already donate a significant sum to the PTA. We may revisit this proposal at a later date.

Unfinished Business:

Trash: Pres. McKenzie noted that a new schedule will be sent out soon and that members are responsible for finding their own subs, if necessary.

Announcements: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by Elizabeth Penaranda, Secretary
