## Winchester Chapter of the Izaak Walton League Membership Meeting Minutes January 21, 2016, 7:00pm

Meeting was called to order by Jim Sherry, Chapter President.

Forty-eight members were in attendance for the meeting; meal receipts were 26 members at \$10.00 each for a total of \$260.00. Members said the Pledge of Allegiance and IWLA pledge.

President Jim Sherry stated that the meeting will operate using Roberts Rules of Order and Bill Copp was acting Sergeant at Arms. Mr. Sherry stated that he requested the Frederick County Sheriff to detail an officer to attend this meeting. Frederick County Deputy Sheriff Ruiz observed the meeting in case his services were needed.

Secretary's Report. Mr. Sherry stated that the December 17, 2015 membership meetings were posted on the Chapter Website for several weeks and copies were distributed at the meeting. The President asked if there were any questions regarding the minutes as published. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. During discussion, Jent Mitchell objected to the minutes as he believed there were things that are left out. He provided a hardcopy of his objections (Attachment 1). He then began to read his document. He was interrupted by President Sherry after the minute's objection was expressed and he began to convey unrelated information contained in the Attachment. A member was recognized and stated "I call the question" which was seconded. The vote to call the question (which ends discussion) was passed through affirmative vote by membership with one opposed. The motion to approve the minutes was passed through affirmative vote by membership, with one opposed.

## President's Report.

**Court Hearing.** Jim Sherry reported motion to close the case number CL 13-089 was provided to the District Court. The hearing was held on January 11<sup>th</sup> and the Judge decided to keep the case open for an additional 90 days while we complete the amendments to and submission of Chapter income tax returns. He also made verbal recommendations on how the Chapter should perform financial audits over the next few years.

Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Mr. Sherry reported that all documents have been submitted to the County. He reported that County Planning Board representative, Mr. Mark Cheran, visited our site to see the ranges. He understands how we use the range and believes our chances look good for approval of the CUP. Mr. Sherry is still working with the Regional Airport to understand their opposition to approval. Jim will be contacting the Planning Committee to discuss the gun shot trajectory does not get near the planes. The hearing is scheduled on February 3, 2016, 7:00pm in the County offices on Kent Street. Jim believes the Chapter may be called upon to speak before the Planning Board. He encouraged the membership to come support this effort.

Member Joe Fluet is a private pilot and he provided some insights into the concerns of the Regional Airport. He believes that the concern is how high are the planes when they are on final approach and the gun shot trajectory.

**New Range Guest Policy**. Mr Sherry stated that the Board is restricting the privilege of bringing guests to the Ranges to those members who have completed our Member Orientation. If we all adhere to the procedures will be a success. Ray Palladino provided an overview of the process including the member must have a Range Qualification Badge; pay \$10.00 per range for the Guest; complete the Guest form; and sign the Hold Harmless Agreement. Payments are only accepted by check. The limit is two guests per visit and the same guest can visit up to three times per calendar year. If you are current RSO and active member of the club, we will waive the orientation requirements – contact Ray to coordinate.

**Elections.** Mr. Sherry reminded the members that elections will be held the third Thursday of June this year. There will be a total of 12 positions available for the elections. The Board will be publishing the election procedures. He encouraged all members to consider running for the Board.

**New Facebook Page.** Mr. Sherry reminded the membership that the official Winchester Facebook page is located at: <a href="www.facebook.com/WinchesterIWLA">www.facebook.com/WinchesterIWLA</a>. He stated there are other face book pages at have information that doesn't represent the Chapter.

**Treasurer's Report**. Mike Harper presented the Treasurer's Report provided as Attachment 2. He noted that that the column titled "prepaid 2016 dues" are the dues collected in 2015 for 2016 dues. In the same column under expense are the dues paid to National. After being questioned, he stated that initiation fees are included in the dues income. The President asked if there were any corrections to the report. No corrections were suggested. A motion was made, seconded, and approved through unanimous vote to approve the Treasurer's Report.

**Membership Committee:** Bill Copp, the Membership Director, reported approximately 700 members have been processed. A member questioned whether they will receive a refund for the plastic cards. Mr. Sherry answered no to the question and referenced the New Member Fees Handout approved by the Board in October 2015 that states "First year fee is \$240 including non-refundable gate card fee of \$20." The gate entry system currently operates with the PIN and gate card, but Mr. Sherry stated we will remove gate card entry once all 2016 members have the gate PIN. Mr. Jent Mitchell was not happy with the response and made some derogatory comments about the previous Board. Mr. Sherry interrupted Mr. Mitchell and requested that he refrain from making any further derogatory comments. The Sergeant at Arms requested Mr. Mitchell to stop talking.

**Range Report**. John Doyle stated that not much happening due to the weather conditions, but he anticipates starting range work in the spring.

**Conservation Committee** – Patty Nunn, Conservation Chair, reminded members of the "WINTER OUTDOOR KID'S ADVENTURE" expressing the plan of children of all ages taking a hike around the Chapter Grounds while learning how to be safe in cold temperatures. Her plan is to lead a hike through the park and stopping mid-way to warm-up. Volunteers are welcome to support and reservations with the number of children attending is appreciated by emailing <a href="Pan Iwla@aol.com">PAN IWLA@aol.com</a>.

**Scholarship.** Mr. Ray Palladino discussed we have budgeted for up-to six scholarships to provide to High School seniors if they wish to pursue an advanced education in a conservation-related subject. He has contacted three local colleges and seven high schools to get the word out! The application and deadlines are posted on website. Scholarship applications are due in late April and the committee will make the awards by middle of May.

**Election Committee.** Mr. Ray Palladino announced that an Election Committee has been established and they are working to finalize the procedures. Please contact him if you are interested in running for a Board position. He anticipates that candidates will have time to discuss their interest in running for the Board during the May Chapter Membership meeting.

Mr. Sherry said that the Chapter Grounds may have limited accessibility due to the impending storm. Harold Whitacre and Paul Strawderman have volunteered to move snow and encouraged other members to assist.

Abe Walsh announced that member Bill Prokopchak is also a member of Trout Unlimited and he will be our guest speaker for February. Abe plans to put together a program of entertaining speakers for our Chapter Membership meetings. He encouraged members to provide him ideas.

## **New Business.**

Mr. Jent Mitchell expressed his opinion that Judge Authey ordered the Chapter at the Court hearing to file a revised 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ and that Yount, Hyde, and Barbour (YHB) shall perform the work. Jent expressed that he had a copy of the proposed order. He stated that it has the same requirement for 2014. Mr. Sherry stated that the proposed order is not the final order and the details of the final order are not yet known.

Mr. Mitchell read the document provided in Attachment 3 which discussed the award of Chapter payment of damages to Jent Mitchell concerning CL13089. Mr. Sherry read from the 11-3-2015 Board Meeting minutes "A motion was made and seconded to vote deny Attorney Pond's request to allocate Chapter funds to indemnify and hold harmless Ernie Neff (estate) and Dan Dillon in the court verdict for the amount of \$20,000 each."

The 50-50 Raffle raised \$132.00 to winner of which \$66.00 went to the Chapter. The remaining \$66.00 was won by member Harold Whitacre who donated \$55.00 to the chapter. A hat was also raffled and won by Bill Copp.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm

Attachment I

Date:

January 21, 2016

To:

Winchester Isaak Walton Club BOD

From:

Jent P Mitchell III

Subject:

Correction To The Minutes Of Dec 17, 2015

Dear WIWC BOD,

In the minutes of the WIWC members meeting of December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2015 in the section titled FINANCIAL SURVEY on page 1 of the minutes is a sentence that reads;

"The current Board has not filed any amendments to the 2013 Form 990 and we will if YHB accountants determine it is the most prudent thing to do."

This record in the minutes does not reflect the complete TRUTH about the question that I asked of Mike Harper and the WIWC BOD over and over on December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2015 at the WIWC members meeting.

I repeatedly and in several different fashions asked Mike Harper and the entire WIWC BOD if there had been any amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ filed by anyone. I was repeatedly told by Mike Harper that there was no amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ filed by the WIWC. I

asked the question so many times and in so many ways that Mike Harper became disgusted with me and upset with me.

Please recall that Mike Harper was a member of the former board of the WIWC, the board before June 25<sup>th</sup> of 2015, the corrupt WIWC board that Judge C. L. Athey, JR. removed from office.

Mike Harper is a member of the new WIWC board, the board elected on June 25<sup>th</sup> of 2015.

On the morning of January 11<sup>th</sup> of 2016 at about 8:20 a.m. in the court house in Winchester, Virginia Mike Harper and Joan K. Fine approached me and delivered to me a copy of an amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ that had been filed for the WIWC sometime between June 4<sup>th</sup> of 2015 and June 25<sup>th</sup> of 2015.

This 2013 amended IRS Form 990 EZ for the WIWC is the amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ that was used by YHB to prepare the report to the WIWC dated October 27<sup>th</sup> of 2015.

Mike Harper and our current WIWC BOD provided this amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ to YHB at some time before October 27<sup>th</sup> of 2015, the date of the YHB report.

This means that Mike Harper and the current WIWC knew about this amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ on December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2015 and concealed this 990 from me and all of the members of the WIWC when directly questioned about any amended 990.

Again, please remember that Mike Harper was a member of the former WIWC board, the board before June 25<sup>th</sup> of 2015. He had to have known about this amended 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ. If Mike Harper did NOT know about this amended 990 then he was negligent and derelict in his duties as a member of the old WIWC board. If Mike Harper did have knowledge of this amended 990 then he LIED to me

and all of the members of the WIWC on December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2015 as a member of the new WIWC BOD.

My question about an AMENDED 2013 IRS Form 990 EZ was not confined to just the current WIWC BOD.

We now have another example of why we need to electronically record all of our WIWC members meetings.

What is recorded in these DRAFT minutes of the WIWC members meeting is TRUE but it is not the complete TRUTH and the complete TRUTH is being hidden on purpose by the current WIWC BOD for some unknown reason.

Please add this objection, my objection, to the DRAFT of the WIWC Membership Meeting Minutes of December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2015 to the minutes of this January 21<sup>st</sup> of 2016 WIWC Membership Meeting.

Please add my objection, this objection, to the Minutes Of The Membership Meeting of December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2015 as an ADDENDUM.

Respectfully,

Jent P Mitchell III

2015 Cash Accounting

		Jan - Jun *	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	YEAR
Income	Dues collected	27,686.00	1,308.00	190.00	2,176.00	18,422.00	17,716.00	27,558.00	95,056.00
	Rental	1,500.00	950.00	125.00	450.00			580.00	3,605.00
	Educ. & Training		140.00	50.00	280.00				470.00
	Shotgun	149.00	636.00	367.00	247.00	374.00	252.00		2,025.00
	Advertising	480.00			40.00				520.00
	Donations	560.00				227.00	26.00	1,540.00	2,353.00
	50/50	222.00			82.00	79.00	36.00	61.00	480.00
	Meals	40.00			440.00	435.00	240.00	320.00	1,475.00
	Benches	845.00							845.00
	Other	491.14	155.00	34.00	138.20	20.00	40.00	20.00	898.34
	Total Income	31,973.14	3,189.00	766.00	3,853.20	19,557.00	18,310.00	30,079.00	107,727.34
Expense	Dues paid to National	48,231.00	1				2,084.00	9,217.00	59,532.00
	Heating Oil	4,020.14					272.00	294.25	4,586.39
	Electric	578.69	138.36	153.81	108.45	87.63	81.11	93.44	1,241.49
	Porta pots	1,061.40	176.90	176.90	176.90	176.90	176.90	176.90	2,122.80
	Trash	360.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	720.00
	Telephone	477.24	80.54	83.35	85.32	85.04	87.03	83.64	982.16
	Newsletter	2,111.33	442.29	910.30		787.78		468.59	4,720.29
	Office supplies	66.50	186.31	155.85	127.21	232.16	46.15	32.89	847.07
	Postage	490.00	225.00	30.02	1,098.00	397.05		262.86	2,502.93
	Insurance	3,047.77	485.88	485.88	7,947.00		-22.23		11,944.30
	Bldg maint.	283.39		139.00			36.84	44.75	503.98
	Grounds. Maint.	2,838.60		1,480.61	273.68			51.33	4,644.22
	Pest control	155.00	62.00	31.00	31.00	31.00	31.00	31.00	372.00
	Gasoline	413.93		404.93					818.86
	Equip. Maint.	924.97			7.29			1,769.36	2,701.62
	Meal expense					424.64	543.36	327.63	1,295.63
	Shotgun range		315.00	91.98	315.60	750.00	515.63	256.68	2,244.89
	Rifle/pistol range				119.36	157.75			277.11
	Lake/fish	2,545.00				1,350.00	403.07		4,298.07
	Capital Impr	565.31							565.31
	Scholarships	5,000.00							5,000.00
	Donations	560.00			200.00				760.00
	Soft drinks	87.17				58.17			145.34
	Fish Rodeo	199.87							199.87
	Legal		850.00	541.95					1,391.95
	Lawsuit	77,278.58		18,702.70					95,981.28
	Board Dinner	900.01							900.01
	Tax Prep	200.00							200.00
	CPA Audit		40.00		5,000.00	1,196.74			6,236.74
	P. O. Box	66.00							66.00
	Taxes	29.09					29.08		58.17
	Bank fees	69.50		12.00	8.00		7.50		97.00
	Balancing adj.	22.59							22.59
	Total Expense	152,583.08	3,062.28	23,460.28	15,557.81	5,794.86	4,351.44	13,170.32	217,980.07
	Net Income During Period	-120,609.94	126.72	-22,694.28	-11,704.61	13,762.14	13,958.56	16,908.68	-110,252.73
Bank Reconciliation									
	Beginning Bank Balance	191,387.74	66,897.57					60,346.10	
	Deposits							30,079.00	
	Checks written							-13,170.32	
	Ending Bank Balance	70,777.80						77,254.78	77,254.78
Change in Balance During Period -120,609.94								16,908.68	
* Jan-May is from unreconciled Jan-May Treas Penorts				Jul-Dec Balan	cas ara chack	hook haland	-Δς		

<sup>\*</sup> Jan-May is from unreconciled Jan-May Treas Reports.
June is from check register and bank statements.
At Jun 25, there were 3 checks outstanding for \$3840.
Net transfer to new checking 7/1 was \$66,897.57

Jul-Dec Balances are check book balances

Beginning of year Balance was the Bank account balance since reconciled check book was not available when this report was initiated.

Attachment 3

Date:

18 January 2016

To:

Winchester Isaak Walton Club Board of Directors

From:

Jent P Mitchell III

Subject:

Payment of the Damages awarded to Jent P Mitchell III in

Case Number CL13-089.

Dear WIWC BOD,

On September 21<sup>st</sup> of 2015 the attorney Daniel Pond appeared before the WIWC board and requested that the WIWC pay the damages awarded to Jent P Mitchell III in Case Number CL13-089.

Attorney Daniel Pond asked the WIWC to pay Jent P Mitchell III \$40,000.00. This is the \$20,000.00 that E. A. Neff was ordered to pay Jent P Mitchell III by the jury in Case Number CL13-0890 and the \$20,000.00 that D. L. Dillon was ordered to pay Jent P Mitchell III by the jury in Case Number CL13-089.

In the minutes of the September 21st 2015 meeting of the WIWC BOD the board recorded that, "The Board decided to wait until the next Board meeting to vote on this issue."

The next WIWC BOD meeting that is recorded in the records of the WIWC was held on October 12<sup>th</sup> of 2015. There is no record in the minutes of the WIWC BOD meeting of October 12, 2015 showing where a vote by the WIWC board concerning attorney Daniel Pond's request from September 21<sup>st</sup> of 2015 was voted on.

Was attorney Daniel Pond's request from September 21st ever voted on by the Board of Directors of the Winchester Isaak Walton Club? If attorney Pond's request was voted on by the WIWC board what were the results of that vote?

Was the request by the attorney Daniel Pond, the request made on September 21<sup>st</sup> of 2015, ever voted on at any time by the WIWC BOD? If attorney Pond's request was voted on by the WIWC board at any time what were the results of that vote?

Respectfully,

Jent P Mitchell III