

Draft minutes for NTOS Meeting, March 21, 2024

President Cyndi Routledge welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:13 pm.

One new visitor was present.

Secretary report – Margie Dunham – Cherie Parker made a motion to accept the February minutes as written. Melinda Welton seconded it. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Pam Lasley – Income - \$440.00
Expenses - \$109.62
Checking Acct. Balance - \$6,436.34
NTOS Conservation Fund - \$9,527.87

New Member report – Pam Lasley – Four new members this month.

Field Trip –

- **February 17th – Bells Bend Park** – Member report of a beautiful day with a great woodcock showing.
- The March 23rd field trip will be the next field trip. We will go to Bledsoe State Park. Meet at the park at 7 am. Tim Loyd will be leading
- For any questions regarding these field trip contact Mike Smith: ms722@bellsouth.net. Please include "NTOS Field Trip" in the subject line.
- And as always...all details for any upcoming trip can be found on the NTOS webpage. Nashvillebirds.org.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Cyndi Routledge needs 1 volunteer for the Spring Wednesday Radnor walks – April 24th. Thanks to Andy Lantz, Stacy Elliot and Amy Pardo for stepping up.
- The Spring NTOS count will take place on Saturday, May 4th 2024. Barbara Harris is coordinating again. If you're not already signed up, Cyndi Routledge can put you in touch with her.
- TOS Annual State Spring meeting will be in Knoxville on April 26-28th, 2024. Check the TOS webpage for upcoming registration and hotel information. The fall meeting will be in Memphis.
- Dues are now due...you can send a check to Pam Lasley (address in Directory) or pay via PayPal.
- Great Backyard Bird Count took place last month...Check <https://www.birdcount.org> for results.
- World Migratory Bird Day is May 11th. Metro Nashville will be celebrating it on May 18th at Bells Bend this year. We will need a couple volunteers to man a table for a few hours each. If interested contact Cyndi Routledge.

NEW BUSINESS –

Two upcoming outreach events...

- Outdoor Event at Bells Bend on April 13th. We need a few volunteers to set-up and sit at an NTOS Table, hand out brochures and talk about birds. We may have some Discover Bird Books. Cyndi Routledge will be out of State so cannot do it.
- Susan Lanier has volunteered to represent NTOS/TOS at Barfield Crescent's Conservation Days on May 11th. If you're interested in helping Sue, let Cyndi Routledge know and she'll put you in touch with Susan.

- There being no questions or comments, President Routledge introduced our program chair, Cherie Parker.

Program Chair Cherie Parker introduced Tim Lenz. Birding Tech Evolution: eBird's Impact and Beyond

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marjorie Dunham