

Draft Minutes NTOS Meeting, April 18, 2024

President Cyndi Routledge welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 pm.

No new visitors were present.

Secretary report – Margie Dunham – Janeth McKendrick made a motion to accept the March minutes as written. Pam Lasley seconded it. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Pam Lasley – Income - \$1,335.00
Expenses - \$2,198.90
Checking Acct. Balance - \$5,572.44
NTOS Conservation Fund - \$9,678.04

New Member report – Pam Lasley – Three new members, all present.

Field Trip –

- Next field trip is Saturday, April 20th to Bowie Nature Park in Fairview. Meet at Picnic Shelter #1 at 7 am. Graham Gerdeman will be leading.
- Saturday, May 18th...Green Door Gourmet field trip. Meet at 6:30 am at the main entrance.
- Saturday, June 8th – Beaman Park.
- 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 or in your NewsHawk.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Thanks to Stacy Elliot for leading the first Wednesday morning walk yesterday. Belmont Bird Club joined the festivities. Next week's walk will be led by Danny Shelton.
- The Spring NTOS count will take place on Saturday, May 4th 2024. Barbara Harris is coordinating again. If you're not already signed up, contact Barbara or bird anywhere else in Davidson County and give the information to her.
- TOS Annual State Spring meeting will be in Knoxville on April 26-28th, 2024. Look at the TOS webpage for upcoming registration and hotel information. It's not too late!
- Dues are now due...you can send a check to Pam Lasley (address in Directory) or pay via PayPal.
- World Migratory Bird Day is May 11th...but Metro Nashville will be celebrating it on May 18th at Bells Bend this year. We still need a couple volunteers to join Cameron and sit a table for a few to talk to folks about NTOS and birds. If interested contact Cyndi Routledge.
- 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 her.

NEW BUSINESS –

- Sandhill Cranes bill SB1876 –In the absence of Melinda Welton, Cyndi Routledge reported that this bill concerns trying to get the Sandhill cranes off the hunt list. It was squashed but came up again.
- There will be an upcoming working meeting to discuss the progress and achievements of the Nashville Bird Agenda for Urban Bird Treaty work. Meeting is on April 24th at 10 am at the Zoo. Lunch will be provided so you need to RSVP if you'd like to attend. Contact Nasyr Bey - nasyr.bey@tnc.org

President Cyndi Routledge introduced Program Chair Cherie Parker.

Program – Cyndi Routledge – Hummingbirds of Northern Ecuador
Photographs by Cyndi Routledge and Steve Lasley

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marjorie Dunham