



## RTW CSO MEMBERS MEETING

Minutes for November 15, 2018  
5:30pm, Inverness Masonic Business Center

In attendance: Al Cairns-President, Rich Roussel-Vice President, Mike Dolan-Secretary, Directors Steve Diez, Jim McLean, Ken Spilios and Dennis Reiland. Also attending were Nancy Keefer-Ride Chair and Jamie Roussel-Membership Chair and our guest speaker, Jeanne Messersmith.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by President Al Cairns

As Steve Diez had to leave early, he announced that FDOT committed funds for a feasibility study to resurface the WST. The study is scheduled for 2020.

Al introduced our guest speaker, Ms Jeanne Messersmith in the role of "Sawgrass Flower", a leader of the Seminole. She gave a brief description of how she got her name and a short history of the Seminole People in Florida. This included what they ate, things they made and what a 'day in the life' was like.

Treasurer's Report: Al for Lyn Floyd - Lynn will have details available at the next meeting but we are in very good shape financially.

Minutes: Nancy reviewed the minutes of the last meeting. A motion to adopt the minutes as presented was made by Ken and seconded by Rich. Al called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

### Old Business

- Nancy is leaving the office of Secretary to take on the Annual Ride Chair position
- Mike Dolan is the new Secretary as voted in by the Board at the November Board meeting.
- Jerry Willert is joining the RTTWST Board as a Director

Presidents Report: Al reported on a conference he went to where the predominant theme was underfunding for CSO's, noting that we are in very healthy shape compared to most. Al also has a survey regarding 'working with nonprofits' that makes interesting reading.

Ride Report: Rich said we had less riders registered this year primarily due to a date change by the Mt Dora Bicycle event and a YMCA family event drawing riders away.

Volunteer Dinner: The volunteer dinner will be on December 2, 5pm at the Cove Pub.

Merchandise Update: Al Cairns reported that we were still selling jerseys and other merchandise from our website adding \$3,500 to \$5,000 a year to our general funds.

Park Report: Diane gave a brief report on the 10 ADA benches to be installed, noting that 10 concrete slabs will be poured starting at mile marker 22 and going south starting November 19<sup>th</sup>. Parks Volunteer coordinator Christine Small is working with Duke Energy to get some of their



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employees to help with trail cleanup/removal of invasive species on both sides of the Hwy 44E overpass.

Work Crew Update: AI read Don's report on work crews. Chris Conklin reported that the Tuesday crew is busy removing invasive species.

Patching Update: Jim reported that we had spent \$12k to date with about \$8k still available for identified problem spots.

Birdhouse Project: Ken noted that a lot of data is being collected on roosting and chicks.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted

*Mike Dolan*

Mike Dolan, Secretary

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