

# HOW Business Meeting

September 23, 2023

Roadrunner RV Park

Oklahoma City, OK

**Call to Order at 9:10:** Joe Sturgill

**Flag Salute:** Joe Sturgill

**Invocation:** Gerald Branstetter

**Treasurer's Report:** Terri Gentry

Current Balance: \$11,269.02

Motion to approve report: Joe Bouse

Second: Linda Johnson

**Report was approved.**

**Secretary's Report:** Deb McFarland

Minutes from last meeting on April 22, 2023 were read.

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Second: Linda Johnson

**Report was approved.**

**Membership report:** Cindy Timchak

We currently have 32 active rigs, plus 5 new rigs.

New members to HOW include:

Richard and Rosemary Templeton, Lawton, OK

Doyle and Peggy McMurry, Clinton, OK

Rosemary Smith, Ft. Smith, AR

Jerry and Sheri Crytzer, Edmond, OK  
Danita and Joe Ortowski (Dan and Von's daughter and son-in-law,  
sending membership form later). We will receive more detailed  
information about these new members soon.

Motion to approve report: Deborah McFarland

Second: Vera Bouse

**Report was approved.**

Carthage/October Rally was discussed. We only have 8 rigs going to the  
rally.

Please send an e-blast to Carol Valk, because you can still sign up for  
the rally in Carthage. Discussion was held concerning declining number  
of rigs at rallies; however, new members could also sign up for  
Carthage if they were given information.

**New Business report:** Vera Bouse gave the Nominating Committee's  
announcement for new HOW officers for 2024:

President: Ron and Evelyn Lee

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Bob and Karen Rood

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President: Ted and Joyce VanTuyl

Secretary: Deborah and Jim McFarland

Treasurer: Terri and M.D. Gentry

National Director: Dan Stogner

Alt. National Director: Ron Lee

Nominating Committee: Vera Bouse  
Evelyn Lee  
Debi Branstetter

A short discussion was held about there being no 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Ron Lee made a motion to merge 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President into one position and make our 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President our 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. This was seconded by Terri Gentry and Sandy Val Bracht.

**Motion carried.**

The slate now looks as follows for Vice President positions:

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Bob and Karen Rood

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Ted and Joyce Van Tuyl

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President is eliminated.

**Rally Hosts are still needed for March (Santo, TX) and October 2024 (By the Lake, Ardmore).**

Ron Lee made a motion that we charge new members \$20.00 for the HOW book and badges, and waive fees for this year and next for new members. Those who paid at Six State Rally would receive a refund of \$40 of the \$60 they paid.

Motion was seconded by Karen Rood.

**Motion Carried. Terri Gentry, our Treasurer, will send out refunds.**

Joe Bouse suggested buying a Blackstone griddle. He volunteered to carry it in his coach.

Discussion followed.

**No motion was made.**

President Joe Sturgill asked for a show of hands for those that would attend the rally in Santo, TX, in March. There were about three hands raised.

Diane Branstetter gave a report about the RV park in Santo, TX. Rates are \$40 a night for 15 rigs or \$50 a night if we have less rigs. The park requires a one-night non-refundable deposit.

M.D. Gentry made a motion to cancel the Santo, TX, rally.

Seconded: Skip Steele.

**Motion carried.**

**The rally in March, 2024, in Santo, TX, was cancelled.**

President Joe Sturgill asked the group if we would like to change our March rally to one in July. Due to the heat in July, a Rolling Rally (a trip in which we, as a group, caravan to a destination) to a cooler place was suggested. A Committee would be needed to make reservations and find points of interest in the area.

Motion was made by Vera Bouse to form such a committee and relay details to the group as soon as possible.

Seconded: Skip Steele.

**Motion Carried.**

The committee of volunteers includes:

Skip Steele, Sherri Williamson and Earl Bean.

**New Business:**

A report given by Terri Gentry. She voiced concern that we have shown a profit of over \$2,300 in the last few years and this might cause a problem with our club status. She asked for suggestions on what to do with the extra funds and suggested that our contribution to the children's home be increased to \$500 from \$100.

**This suggestion was passed with a voice vote and no motion.**

A motion was made by Sherri Williamson that members' fees be waived for 2024. This would amount to \$1200.00.

Seconded: Karen Rood.

**Motion was approved.**

Further discussion included suggestions to consider at a later date:

A trailer to tow for all the items the club carries.

Pot luck dinners.

**Terri Gentry reminded all of us to check that your FMCA dues are current.**

Lois Sturgill made a motion to adjourn.

Gerald Branstetter seconded.

Motion passed.

We were adjourned.