

Chapter Meeting for Rolling Plains Chapter TMN September 7, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by chapter president, Laura Gillis.

Members present were: Judy and Larry Snyder, Joy Parsons, Sandy Underwood, Lynn Seman, Carl Brown, Glenna Pickens, June McKee, Pinny Miller, Debra Halter, Dana Cobb, Terry McKee, Deanna Bullock, Linda Price, Kim and Norman Mason, Tiffany Herring, Laura Gillis, Allen Brejer, Becky Trammel, James Masuoka, Ray and Sharon Hyde, Betty Bowles, Warren and Sue King, Aaron Holland, and, Jane McGough

Jill Garcia, Education Public Relations Coordinator at Upper Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, presented the program on groundwater.

The August chapter meeting minutes were accepted as posted. The financial report was posted to Google drive.

Old Business:

Members were encouraged to complete the survey from Geoff Meador.

New Business:

Certifications and Milestones:

- Betty Bowles - Recertification
- Ray Hyde - Recertification
- Sharon Hyde - Recertification

T-Shirt Report: DeAnna Bullock

- T-shirt \$20
- Hoodie \$30
- Dragonfly front/Rolling Plains Back
- Blue Heather selected - 65/35 cotton/poly
- Price for long sleeve requested
- Something will be sent out for ordering

Committee & Project Reports

- Horned Lizard Surveys and Water Testing: Lynn Seman - Watch for opportunities listed on calendar.
- TQI Quail Surveys: Larry Snyder - 3 roadside counts have been conducted, 3 quail seen, wildlife numbers are down.

Partner Updates & Reports

- Wild Bird Rescue: Carl Brown - baby songbird season is almost finished, baby barn owl season is beginning
- Whiteside Museum: Lynn Seman - Dinner with Dinos in October, tickets \$25
- Comanche Springs: Lynn Seman - September 1 Post Burn Survey incomplete due to heat and lack of rain for plants.

State Program Updates: Laura Gillis

- State Meeting: DFW Metro area, Will be a hybrid event, but will go virtual if needed.

New opportunities

- LASP Bird Walk with Penny: Saturday, September 11, 2021; 8:00 am
- Horned Lizard Surveys: September 10, Comanche Springs, 8:00 am (Includes Water testing) & Copper Breaks SP, 10:30 am
- Texas Stream Team Water Testing: Lake Wichita Boat Ramp, then Wichita River - Monday, September 13 at 2:pm
- Campfire Monarch Program: October 4 & 5, 4:30 to 5:30 at Campfire USA Harrell Park
- Iowa Park Garden Club: Requesting a speaker on birds for a small group of 6. Available dates: January 14, 2022 or March 11, 2022. Meet at IP Rec Center at 10:00 am.
- Monarch Tags: This will be our October Saturday Hike. We will meet at Murphy's Mound at Lake Wichita at 7:00 pm, October 2. We will do some tag training and then go tag some butterflies. Date subject to change - watch calendar.

Other Events and Opportunities:

Please see the website calendar or emails from Lynn for complete listings and updates!

Next Meeting:

October 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm at MSU and Zoom. David Graf of Texas Agrilife

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 pm