

Florida Van Council

Minutes of the January 14, 2023 meeting at the River Forest Group camping area in the Ocala National Forest, near Deland, are as follows:

Konehead called the meeting to order at 12:25 PM.

Minutes of the June 11, 2022 meeting were read and approved.

There were 9 clubs present and 1 Excused Absence (out of 19 clubs total) during roll call.

Two guest vanners were welcomed to the meeting; Scott, who noted this was a great crowd, and Janet Landry, from Looney Tunes Truckers.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Linard gave the treasurer's report..

NEWSLETTER REPORT:

Gnarly gave the newsletter report. Deadline for inputs to the next newsletter will be in February. The exact date will be in February, and will depend on the ability to get inputs from the CofC meeting (February 25) and the FVC meeting on March 11. He would like to see more input from the members.

Judith noted that there is no update for Vanning Around the World as she was attending her son-in-law's funeral and got sick afterwards.

A motion by Judith that the FVC pay for a port-a-potty for the March meeting at Sidewinder's. Sidewinder noted that he is in the process of building a formal out-house.

VAN-IN UPDATES:

Taz February 11, 2023 – The Moose is Loose – Car/Van & Truck Show – Moose Lodge, Chapter 184, 1375 Reid Street – Palatka, FL - (386) 325-6948 – Door prizes, 50/50 drawing – Food availability – Limited electric – Registration 8 AM – 10 AM – Information: Email: Dale Lowcher lowcherd@gmail.com (973) 462-0356 or Taz: (904) 413-609-1553

Broward March 10 – 12, 2023 – Broward's Laid Back Hillbilly Week-end – Sidewinders in White Springs. It's still going on. \$20 pre-reg. Soup on Friday – Covered dish on Saturday.

GSVR XXIX September 29 – October 1, 2023 – Happy Holiday RV Resort – 1553 Wolfetown Rd. - Cherokee, NC 28719 – Everything is the same. Pre-reg directly with the campground. There will be no moonshine tasting contest.

Konehead & Friends October 20 - 22, 2023 – Robinson Ranch – 19730 S.E. 127 Terrace – Dunnellon, FL 34445. We're ready to go. Same time, same place. There will be free hot dogs supplied by The Parts House for lunch on Saturday. Band, 50/50, Tiki Bar, Mini-bike races, Van Show, Raffles, Pumpkin carving contest. Trophies and Dash Plaques - Pre-reg cutoff is October 15, 2023. Vans Pre-reg \$75 – at Gate \$85 – Motorhomes/Sleep-in Trailers \$90 pre-reg - \$100 Gate – Early arrivals \$25 per night. Checks payable to Bruce Guertin, 2811 Sauls St., S. Daytona, FL 32119 – Info Konehead 386-527-2484

VAN-IN PROPOSALS: - None

COUNCIL OF COUNCILS 2023:

A show of hands noted that 5 members will be attending. As none of the other attending members will be available to represent the FVC at the reps table Judith volunteered to me our rep at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

The November meeting was cancelled because the venue was closed as a result of the hurricane.

NEW BUSINESS:

Russ noted that, since this venue is primitive and we pay a fixed price, why should he have to pay extra for a camper. A motion by Russ that we charge the same price for RV's and campers at FVC meetings was carried by a hand vote.

Judith and Mook noted that Fisheating Creek might be a possible FVC meeting location. It is located on U.S. 27, South of Sebring and North of Belle Glade. 2555 U.S. Hwy 27, Palmdale, FL 33944. Full hookups, small store, \$43 per night, 2 vehicles per site. Kayaking and trails.

There is no group camping. You have to register individually with the campground.

<https://fisheatingcreekoutpost.com/>

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Russ suggested FVC host an event. We'll consider it.

Sidewinder noted that FVC hasn't been donating to our designated charity, Meals on Wheels, for a long time. Someone suggested we lost the little Meals on Wheels van some time around the time Ritchie was FVC President. A motion by Sidewinder that the FVC donate \$500 to Meals on Wheels to cover the donations we haven't been sending for the past 5 years was carried by a unanimous hand vote.

A motion by Judith that we "unarchive" FVC resolution 22 was carried by a hand vote.

----- **Secretary's note: Resolution 22 is referenced for those who have forgotten it** -----

22. August 10, 1991 - archived 6-14-2014

FVC treasurer to send \$50 to the family of a deceased member (as soon as possible after the death).

----- **End of Secretary's note** -----

NOMINATION OF FVC OFFICERS FOR 2023:

A motion by Judith to accept the current FVC officers for 2023 was carried by a unanimous hand vote. There being no contested offices, the FVC officers for 2023 are:

- President: Konehead
- Vice-President: Boo
- Secretary: Scribe John
- Treasurer: Linard
- Newsletter Editor: Gnarly
- Van Judge: Taz

Cari made a motion to adjourn (seconded by Sidewinder) and the 58-minute meeting was concluded at 1:23 PM

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Cunningham

Secretary