



Oak Harbor Conservation Club

975 S. Gordon Road P.O. Box 364
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Minutes of Membership Meeting 9/14/2026.

Attendance

Present: David Witt, Don Hunter, Troy Overmyer, Mike Gargac, Keith Kralik, Jason DeStatte, Chuck Yarletts, David Roepke, Cindy Reedy, Ben Lacy, and Kevin Jacobs

Absent: None

Call to Order

At 8:00 PM, President David Witt called the meeting to order. Members stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held at the Darr Grounds and Facility.

Reading of Minutes

A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the Trustees & Officers Meeting and the previous Membership Meeting.

- Motion: Tyler Brown
- Second: Jason DeStatte

Motion carried.

Old Business

Match Funds and Investments

John Fowler stated that there was \$37,000 in the Match Funds line item and asked what the funds were used for.

Cindy Reedy replied that she would need to review the records and report back.

Joe Hein asked whether the club was receiving interest and dividends on its investments.

David Witt stated that the Match Funds were not currently earning interest. Overall, the club's investments were earning approximately 5%. He added that if elected President, he would work with the Finance Committee and Edward Jones to improve investment returns.

"One Club, One Future!" Presentation

David Witt presented a slideshow titled "One Club, One Future!" The presentation addressed:

- Building trust
- Teamwork
- Recent donations
- Grants
- Funding transparency
- Strategy for completing the club's vision

Audit Committee Report

A member asked about club audits.

Troy Overmyer stated that he, Mike Gargac, and Scott Storer serve on the Audit Committee. He reported that an audit was conducted last year following the accountant's recommendations. The committee reviewed three months of receipts and audited each receipt. He added that next year's audit would be more comprehensive.

25-Yard Range Update

A member asked whether the 25-yard range was operational.

Discussion followed. The rubber mats are on-site and still need to be installed.

Ben Lacy volunteered to lead a work detail to hang the mats. Additional volunteers are needed.

Members interested in helping should provide their name and phone number to Ben.

Chief Range Safety Officer (CRSO) Need

A Chief Range Safety Officer is needed.

Jason DeStatte stated that he currently holds RSO certification and is working toward CRSO certification. He reported that several OHCC members received RSO training last month and expressed interest in organizing another certification class in approximately six months to train additional members.

New Business

Attorney Fee Funding

David Witt stated that the Officers and Trustees require additional funds for attorney fees.

A motion was made by Eric Edinger to authorize up to \$3,000 in additional funding for Officers' and Trustees' legal fees.

- Motion: Eric Edinger
- Second: Jason DeStatte

No questions were raised.

Vote by show of hands:

- Yes: 36
- No: 8

Motion carried.

Gordon Road Mowing Volunteers

David Witt stated that additional volunteers are needed to help mow the Gordon Road property.

Herman McCardell and Jon Farrow have already volunteered.

Members interested in helping should contact David Witt at 419-707-4420.

Discussion Regarding Ballot Proposals

Marylin Behm asked how the Trustees and Officers could prevent a proposal from appearing on the ballot.

Don Hunter responded that the proposal to separate the Darr and Gordon Road properties violated the Constitution and Bylaws on multiple levels and would have required multiple proposals to make the necessary changes.

Marylin Behm commented that the membership had voted on it.

David Witt requested that the applicable Constitution and Bylaws provisions be included in the newsletter.

Don Hunter explained:

- The motion did more than place a topic on the Annual Meeting agenda.
- It specifically directed that the Darr property be separated from Oak Harbor Conservation Club, Inc. and established a process for negotiating that separation.
- It also attempted to prohibit expenditures from club investments and savings while the proposed separation was pending.
- These actions would affect the corporation's property, finances, operations, and governance.
- The motion did not identify any constitutional or bylaw authority that would permit the membership to achieve those objectives through that motion.
- Article XI establishes a specific procedure for constitutional amendments, requiring proposed changes to be submitted in writing to the Trustees' Meeting at least two meetings before the Annual Meeting.

Don Hunter noted that these were only some of the issues associated with a proposal to separate the Gordon Road and Darr facilities.

Good of the Order
None.

Adjournment
A motion to adjourn was made by Keith Kralik and seconded by Kevin Jacobs.
Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Recording Secretary Don Hunter

President David Witt