## **PRESENT:**

Thomas & Crystal Sitton Jessie Abernathy Kenneth Carson Richard Wilkerson Dennis & Kathryn Wink Chester Abernathy Lela Kenney Jimmy & Kim Ruffin

Sue Anne Thomas Ken & Susan Clow Sean, Michael & Kali Cherry

Thomas Sitton called the meeting to order and Dennis Wink gave the prayer. Minutes were read beforehand and Dennis Wink motioned to accept the minutes, which were approved.

Lela Kinney gave the treasurer's report and said that the beginning balance was \$2,462.35 and after expenses the ending balance was \$366.66. Chester Abernathy moved that the report be accepted and motion carried. The new electrical equipment made up the majority of the expenses. There will be new lights, but a flagman still needed. Will show speed while pulling.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- The trailer has been tagged and stamped, and is registered in Chester's name for lifetime. They couldn't do the BRATP name. Could donate it or sell to the club for \$1 and transfer, but currently has a permanent license and would lose that if transferred.
- Regarding the buttons, Jimmy Ruffin can't get the program to work. We need someone who can get the system to work, Rosalee has done them in the past. We have the equipment, but need a volunteer. Richard Wilkerson said he would put them together if someone would print them. Ken Carson said he would get his daughter to work on them. A picture for them can be downloaded from the website, with 100 buttons made in the past.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- o Thomas reported that after the Jena fall fest pull, Rosalee plans to step down from her position. After that events will be moving to Olla.
- Advertising has been bought with the Piney Woods Journal for the Ruston pull. It is a 1/8 page ad for \$138 in the August publication. The journal is free for pick up around the area. Members voted to approve the payment. Louisiana Market Bulletin has free advertising, but not the Road Trip publication.
- o Thomas had a suggestion to add two more weight divisions of 11,500 and 12,500 each. After discussion, Dennis moved to add them and the motion was approved.
- o A request was made for a flyer for the MAC pull. Ken Clow is going to take care of this.
- o Thomas brought up that if we are going to do the MAC pull every year, we need to decide when and look at the calendar early. Maybe February would be a good time, though could be cold.
- Crowley/Arcadia is having a pull at the Arcadiana Rice Arena. It's the same weekend as the tractor show and lunch at the Murphy Brothers shop on July 15.
- O A volunteer is needed to sell t-shirts and hats at the pulls. Currently they are boxed up in the trailer and we don't have a count of how many of each we have, or if we need more, at this time.
- o Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 4 @ PICCADILLY CAFETERIA, MONROE NEXT BRATP EVENT: ANTIQUE DAYS OF RUSTON PULL – AUGUST 19

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