

Jackson Audubon Society Meeting

MINUTES

May 26, 2026 6:00 pm

The meeting was called to order, and President Libby Hartfield welcomed everyone. Fifteen members were present (8 male/7 female), constituting a quorum for the conduct of business.

-Thank you to Clinton Community Center for hosting our meeting.

-Libby thanked everyone who participated in JAS activities since last chapter meeting.

Field Trips held: March to May 2026.

---LeFleur's Bluff State Park Family Bird Walk led by Billy Mitchell on March 7, 2026.

---LeFleur's Bluff State Park Family Bird Walk led by Wes Shoop on April 4, 2026...

---Fannye Cook Natural Area Migration Walk led by Libby and Paul Hartfield on April 25, 2026

---LeFleur's Bluff State Park Family Bird Walk led by Frank Hensley on May 2, 2026.

---Coal Bluff Campground led by Billy Mitchell on May 9, 2026

Elections of Officers and Board Members

The following slate was presented to the members:

Officers: One-year terms: July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027

President Billy Mitchell

Vice President Libby Hartfield

Secretary Gayla Dance

Treasurer Billy Mitchell

Board of Directors: Two-year terms: July 1, 2026- June 30 , 2028

Frank Hensley

Wesley Shoop

Cynthia Mitchell

Larcie Burnett

Art Minton (1 year left on term) (July 1- June 30, 2027)

Mary Stripling – Emeritus

Committee Chairs:

Wesley Shoop - LeFleur's Bluff Bird Walks

Mary Stripling – Newsletter, Speakers, Website Liaison

Art Minton and Chris King – Facebook Moderators

Larcie Burnett and Chris King – Education

Larcie Burnett – Membership

Frank Hensley – Liaison with Clinton Nature Center
Claire Floyd and Sabrina Hagerman - co-directors of CCNC
The slate was accepted by acclamation.

Billy Mitchell gave the Treasurer's Report. There is \$9,700.72 in General Funds and \$2,204.42 in Bird Camp Funds for a total of \$11,941.14 in General and Restricted Funds. The speaker for the May meeting was Tom Mann with his wife Debora who spoke on Webster Salamanders along the Natchez Trace. A study from 2009 – 2013 proved that the Webster salamanders are migratory.

Respectfully submitted,
Gayla Dance, JAS Secretary