## SPRINGFIELD STAMP CLUB MINUTES OF THE 21 FEBRUARY 2024 BUSINESS MEETING

President Jack Ginsburg called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM with eighteen members present. The Secretary read the minutes of the 7 February 2024 meeting and they were accepted as read. The Treasurer made his report and it was accepted as presented.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**SPRINGPEX**: Chairman Kevin Hans reported that SPRINGPEX planning remains on schedule. To date twenty-two dealers have formally registered for tables, a twenty-third is expected to sign up in a few days, and a twenty-fourth is nearing a decision.

Several entries have already been submitted for the eight and a half by eleven exhibition and a few more are expected. A final total of perhaps a dozen is likely.

Jack Ginsburg presented examples of the cachets to be used on show covers. The designs were well received. Jack also announced that the Post Office is currently processing the Club's recommended postmark to be used on SPRINGPEX covers.

Joel Wells made reference to the Club's previously approved purchase of new Scott Catalogs. He announced that they have now been received, but with an unusual quirk. The order included, as normal, volumes 5A and 5B. Upon examination 5A was found to be great, but the volume bearing a binding identifying it as 5B actually contained pages for 5A. A replacement is being acquired.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM. It was followed by a very interesting presentation entitled "A Postal System Divided" by Randy Smith. Randy described the confused postal situation in the period between the secession of the southern states and the outbreak of armed conflict.

William Geary Secretary