

SPRINGFIELD STAMP CLUB
MINUTES OF THE 3 MAY 2023 BUSINESS MEETING

President David Baron called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with eighteen members present. He opened the meeting with a welcome to new member Alan Weaver. The Treasurer made his report and it was approved as presented. The Secretary read the minutes of the 19 April 2023 meeting and they were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

SPRINGPEX: SPRINGPEX Chairman Kevin Hans reported that a “lessons learned” paper has been drafted reflecting experiences with the recent show. It will be offered for discussion at the next business meeting. In addition, he and others who were involved in planning and executing the show, have drafted a paper detailing the myriad activities and actions required to put on programs such as SPRINGPEX. It will certainly be of considerable use in planning future shows and in encouraging others to become involved.

Kevin was asked the current status of the cancellation devices the Post Office had failed to make available at SRPINGPEX. Vice President Jack Ginsburg responded that the devices have still not been delivered. He regularly queries the Post Office about them but no meaningful answers are forthcoming. Neal Parr added that one underlying cause of the problem is that the facility that manufactures the devices was moved to Richmond. The Club was not informed of the move and was not provided with new contact information.

NEW BUSINESS

MEMBERSHIP: Membership Chairman Joel Wells announced that due to personal reasons he must resign the role of chairman by the end of June. The Club is seeking a volunteer to accept the task prior to the post-summer resumption of meetings in September.

DUES: Gene Mszar asked for a definition of the period covered by the payment of one year’s dues. Several members quickly responded that dues cover the period of 1 January to 31 December. Due to minimal cost of a year’s dues being only two dollars, it is not practical to pro-rate the cost for members joining during the year or resigning during the year.

BUDGET: Treasurer Rory Souther submitted a draft budget for the Club’s fiscal year beginning in June. The draft will be open for discussion at the next few business meeting.

DONATIONS: Neal Parr announced the receipt of two donations to the Club. One was a collection of United Nations stamps from Chris Kandarpa and the other a collection of foreign stamps from Vance Stuart.

NAPEX: Chairman Bill Fort noted that volunteers are still needed for NAPEX.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. After the meeting Bill Fort provided a very interesting and most informative presentation addressing Revenue Stamps.

Secretary
William Geary