



Minutes of ONSD Meeting – July 28, 2012

In Attendance:

Jim Spivey, Mac McAtee, Jeffrey Blackburn, Miles Miciotto, David Payne
John Young, Jeremy T Brown Sr, Jackie Dollar, Tracy Smith, Tim Pierce
Skylar Craddock, Becky Craddock, Robert Underwood, Bill Bookout, Bob Grazioso
Ken Kirk, T.E. Metz, Ron Washburn, William Purkey, Randy Woolbright

William Purkey called the meeting to order at 9:00 am at the Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library located at 1420 Price Park Road in Greensboro, NC.

Guests visiting with us today were welcomed:

Shane White (joined as member)
Jerry Dorsett (joined as member)
Timothy Cummings
Pam Cummings

The ONSD Code of Ethics was read by Robert Underwood.

Old Business:

- The treasurer's report was given by Ron Washburn and approved.
- The Newsletter/Website/Facebook/Twitter report was given by Randy Woolbright. Members were asked to submit some articles of interest for publication in the Newsletter.
- The Village Fair at Mendenhall Plantation was held on July 21st. Jim Spivey reported it was a huge success. Mac McAtee and Robert Underwood also provided displays for the booth.
- William reported the club should probably confine its activities such as fairs and booths in the future to our local area in order not to over-extend the club's resources.
- The Best Find competition is ongoing. Members were urged to keep all their finds and bring them to the club meeting on September 29th when judging will be held and the award for First Place will be a Mexican silver coin.
- Local area author Julia Ebel will give a presentation at the club meeting on August 25th to discuss local and Jamestown, NC history. Her books will be available for purchase.

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New Business:

- The club had an opening for the Secretary position. The Nominating Committee chairman, Ken Kirk, reported that Robert Underwood had accepted their nomination and was elected ONSD Club Secretary by voice vote.
- The club had been notified by an individual who lost a ring in his backyard area. The owner will be contacted and a hunt set up in September. Directions will be emailed to club members after the property owner approves a date for the hunt. Finds will be the property of the land owner unless otherwise informed.

Open Mic:

- Robert Underwood invited all members to attend the August 11th Open House of the Museum & Archives of Rockingham County (MARC) from 10 am - 4 pm.
- Robert also brought in several display articles and photos about the Confederate treasure buried near McLeansville, NC and other items of interest.
- Jim Spivey said the ONSD patches are back in stock and to see him if you didn't receive one along with a cap when joining. He also mentioned William's article will be out in Western & Eastern Treasures magazine this coming month.
- Jeremy Brown advised members to frequent the website in order to keep our viewing numbers up, resulting in being listed at the top, making it easier for prospective members or those needing lost items recovered to contact the club. Jeremy also displayed a program on his iPad tablet called "Metal Detecting Organizer" which can keep track of your finds, including photos and maps, personal information, and compare photographs of known coins to what you have recovered. He also mentioned other areas of interest the club can broaden its scope into, such as gem hunting.
- Miles Miciotto brought in a U.S. Calvary Civil War belt buckle for display.
- Bill Bookout asked if a member list was available to be sent to members. After some discussion, it was decided to send out a list with name, city and email address.
- Jim Spivey noted that Google Images has the first picture of the ONSD club posted.
- Jeffrey Blackburn advised the club he had found a pewter button in SC and was researching it. Recovered at the same site were pottery pieces, twenty flat buttons, three coins, two of which were 1770 British Copper Farthings, and the third a 1790 U.S. Mint Large Cent.

Reminders:

- Members are encouraged to be on the lookout for new places to hunt and submit their articles to be published in the newsletter and website.
- Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.

Submitted by Randall Woolbright
Acting ONSD Secretary

