Those present included: Tom Basden, President; Josh Cook, President – elect; Becky Royal, Secretary; Jamey Darlington, Treasurer, Andrea Walker, Melissa Merritt and Suzy Campbell.

The meeting was called to order by President, Tom Basden at 2:09 PM.

**New Business:**

**Financial/Treasurer’s Report** – Jamey sent out the treasures report. She made the 2 scholarship payments, so the account is $5.89. She needs to pay the membership fees for the scholarship winners. Melissa moved to accept the treasures report, seconded by Becky. Motion carries.

**Secretary Report** – Becky sent out June minutes, anyone see any corrections? Fix last item of old business. “Tom will check to see if Peg has gotten a letter requesting notification to president, when awards are to be given”. Jamey inquired what the “Archived files” were. Tom said those files are in his office, they have hired a young man. He can use some of his time to scan the files back in. Should start scanning soon. Jamey has lots of other files, can this young man scan those as well? **Deferred topic down to archived files.** Jamey moved to accept the minutes with the recommendations that Tom made, seconded by Melissa. Motion carries.

**Old Business:**

**Summer Training** - Tom spoke with Jeff, he has made arrangements for us to go to a mountain top removal place in the center of the state. Meet around 9am, Wednesday, August, 23rd. Lunch after first half, perhaps at the lake. Then go to the National Guard apple plantation in the afternoon. Thousands of apple trees are being planted there. Finishing up around 3pm. Tom doesn’t think there would be nutrient management credits. We had said we would get the newsletter published by August 15th. Is it appropriate to put an announcement for this training in it? The group believes it is. Tom asked Josh to work with Jeff: get an agenda from him and more information. Josh agreed. Stick to the August 15th deadline.

**Newsletter** - Melissa and Andrea will work together to put the newsletter together. We will contact Peg and see if she has an old template. Josh- training, Tom- president’s corner, Suzy – article, Those that attend conference will take pictures. Articles are due on 8/11.
Other Business:

**International conference** - Becky was notified that she received the Society’s Outstanding Service Award. Unsure if she can attend the conference. Tom went ahead and purchased a plane ticket. He did not receive any interest in car pooling together to WI. Discussion occurred if the chapter could put Becky up in a hotel and pay her registration. Would it help if we subsidized the cost? NRCS federal office has not approved for any of their employees to attend. Becky did receive an email that said she could go ahead and book her room. Jamey moved that we pay up to $1,000 for each Josh and Becky, seconded by Melissa. Motion passes. Did Barb receive the fellow award? Peg submitted on her behalf.

**Archived files** – Suzy said the old reports on the chapter are included in the box that Tom now has. We should consolidate, maybe only scan one treasures report/year, for example. Then the secretary will keep the master file cabinet. A single box. It will then be passed on to the new secretary. Jamey has a file cabinet in her office, Tom suggested that we get together and prioritize things.

**Schedule next meeting**

*August 7th 2017, 1PM.*

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 2:58pm by Jamey and seconded by Melissa; Motion Passes.