

IHPCC Minutes

January 31, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Ray Fielding at 4:05 pm. The following Officers were present:

Ray Fielding – President

Ivan Kaminsky – Vice President

Ann Cegelski – Treasurer

Gil Groendyke – Secretary

Celeste Williamson – Sargeant at Arms, substituting for Pat Johnson

Minutes of the October 11, 2025 were read by Gil Groendyke. Tony Taylor moved to accept the minutes without correction.

Board members were introduced.

The Finance Report was given by Ann Cegelski. Last year IHPCC operated with about a \$1600 deficit. This highlights the need for additional fundraising from new activities and a dues increase. Ann provided a detailed copy of all income and expenses since taking over the books in October of 2025. A copy was provided to each table and time was given for questions to be asked. A detailed actual budget of actual expenses for all of 2025 was presented as well and available for those who wanted to review.

Tony Taylor moved to accept the finance report; it was accepted without correction

Ivan Kaminsky reported on the Bourbon Boys bourbon tasting event that was held on January 3 and was a great success. Ivan stated that they donated 60+ chairs, multiple round tables, the corner bench and the long bench, several maroon chairs, a side hutch, black table cloths and table décor. Miss Sieger loaned the animal mounts which will be returned.

A question was asked about whether a TABC Permit was required. Since this was a private event with no alcohol sales, no permit was required.

Old Business:

Three bids were received for the air-conditioner (approximately \$7400, \$8000 and \$10000). Michelle Fielding will arrange for the repairs using the cheapest bid). It was discussed that the ladies auxiliary will be meeting on February 4th and they will vote on paying for the AC repair.

New Business:

Some Building Code violations were noted: Exit signs, fire alarm, outside emergency light, wheel chair access. Ray Fielding and the Board will address these issues.

Lynne McCreary announced that she has spoken with the TRA about filling the pond and they will do it for a fee. The ladies auxiliary took the lead on this to get it done.

Upcoming events and dates will be on the website (ihills.org).

Events planned for the first quarter of 2026:

Game Night starting in February

Valentines Day – Jerry Ovelgonne will provide flowers for the ladies. Suzy Kaminski will provide latte. Ivan Kaminski will make donuts from scratch. This event will occur on February 14th from 9 am to 11 am at the clubhouse.

There will be a cookoff at the park on March 28. There will be a 50/50 at the cookoff. Sign-up forms were available to pick up at the meeting and will also be posted on the ihills org website soon.

Events and activities will be updated on the ihills.org website.

Ann Cegelski addressed the membership to state that we (the board) want to work with the ladies auxiliary and community for the benefit of us all. She stated that she wanted to clear the slate and start fresh with everyone. This a new board so what happened a year ago or 10 years ago is in the past. We will all work together for the benefit of the civic club and community.

There were several discussions about the mailing that was sent out for the bylaw changes. Many members stated that they were not given any opportunity to discuss these changes prior to the mailing being sent out. It was also stated by a member that we needed to mail 2 ballots to each address in case 2 members of the household are eligible to vote. Therefore it was decided by Ray Fielding that we would not open or count the ballots that we had in our possession. We had an open discussion at this meeting for all in attendance to discuss their concerns and opinions concerning the changes to these 8 bylaws. The comments and decisions are listed below.

These are the brief descriptions of the (8) proposed revisions which will be individually voted on again before adoption.

1. \$125 annual dues – with an option for those with financial hardship to increase to only \$100.

2. Mailing address to become street address – with a secure mailbox with key to be installed
3. Membership open to long term residents (not only property owners) – open to renters that have lived in the community for at least a year.
4. Officers – 2 year term
5. Meetings – every 2 months
6. October nominating meeting every 2 years (4 and 6 will be combined)
7. Fund raisers require board approval
8. Budget and fiscal year to be same as calendar year.

A suggestion box has been purchased and will be at all events to get the community input on what activities and events they would like to see occur in the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Gilbert J. Groendyke

Secretary IHPCC

February 2, 2026