

# CONSTITUTION

## Article I

### Name

The name of this organization shall be the Ottumwa Bird Club.

## Article II

### Objects

The purpose of this Club shall be the increase and protection of our local wild birds, the stimulation of interest and study in bird life and the gradual establishment of projects for the best conservation measures to be taken in protecting and providing for said wild birds.

## Article III

### Membership

Section 1. The membership of this Club shall be made up of persons interested in the study and/or protection of birds. Any person in sympathy with the objects of this Club shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2. The dues for Active membership shall be \$.50 payable annually.

Section 3. The dues for Junior membership shall be \$.25 payable annually.

Section 4. The voting power shall be limited to Active Members.

## Article IV

### Government

Section 1. The governing body of this Club shall consist of the entire Active membership.

Section 2. Officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 3. The officers of the Club shall constitute the Executive Committee, which shall pass upon business that is necessary between the regular meetings of the Club.

## Article V

### Duties of Officers

Section 1. The duties of officers shall be such as pertain to their respective offices in similar clubs. The President shall preside at meetings and appoint members to committees.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence.

Section 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall record the proceedings of the Club in books to be kept for that purpose; shall have charge of the records of the Club and of its publications, if any; shall conduct correspondence of the Club; shall inform members of their election and shall give notice of all meetings; shall collect the dues and pay from the funds of the Club all bills duly approved by the membership; and shall furnish a statement of the financial condition of the Club when called upon to do so.

## Article VI

### Meetings

Section 1. There shall be a regular meeting of the Club on 1st Thursday of each month.

Section 2. The date for the annual meeting shall be \_\_\_\_\_, at which time the officers for the following year shall be elected.

Section 3. A special meeting may be called at any time on three day's notice by the President or on a written application signed by three members of the Club.

Section 4. <sup>A majority</sup> ~~Two-thirds~~ of the membership shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Club.

Section 5. The order of business shall be according to Robert's Rules of Order; said manual shall be authority for the decision of disputed questions of order or debate.

## Article VII

### Amendments

Amendments or alterations of the Constitution may be made by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting, provided written notice of the proposed change shall have been sent to every Active member of the Club not less than four days prior to said meeting.