



"To preserve for ourselves and for future generations the freedom to enjoy the outdoors."

LAKE COUNTY SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

February 20, 2024
Board Meeting/Member Meeting

1. Call to Order – 6:31 pm

Present: John Beach, Dave Weronko, Kelly Zoellner, Ronald Dionne, James Young, Greg Nichols Sr, Chuck Barron

Absent: Greg Nichols Jr , Dennis Karczynski, Dale Groulx, Harold Nichols

Members Present: Fred Woldering Sr., Len Todd

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

- Minutes were reviewed for the January 2023 regular meeting. Discussion on posting the agenda before the meetings to members. Also, a request to have the agenda posted on the front page of the web site. Also, a reminder to have the minutes completed within a week from the meeting and posted online. A motion to approve the minutes by Chuck was made, Seconded by Ronald. Unanimous approval was given.

Minutes reviewed for the Special Board Meeting of January 2023. Motion to approve by Chuck, seconded by Jim. Unanimous approval.

3. Treasurer's Report

Kelly presented the financial report. Bringing to attention that the board approved a project for the hydrants, but no dollar amount was established on the budget. This amount will be tabled at this time until we get a better cost. Motion to table dollar amount by Chuck, second by Greg Sr. Unanimous vote.

Question to the board about liability insurance being on auto pay. If you continue with auto pay it will add on the 3% for convenience charge for the credit card machine cost, which is an additional \$50. Does the board still want to continue with auto pay? Discussion on past experience with auto pay and paying with a check. Motion by Chuck to continue with auto pay, seconded by Dave. Unanimous approval.

Explanation of the web hosting bill and the different costs.

Motion to accept financial report by Chuck, seconded by Dave. Unanimous approval.

Items Moved Up From New Business

- Chuck Brooks, new member, came with a presentation of hats that can be purchased for the Club with his company. An average cost would be \$13-\$16 per hat with the embroidered logo. His company also makes billboards, vinyl banners, and magnetic signs. Also had suggestions for marketing.
- Jeremy -Northwood Lead brought the guns that were purchased for the 2024 raffle. Discussion on the new Michigan gun laws about purchasing and transporting for both pistols and long guns.

Old Business

- Lake County Sheriff's Department Contract** – Len has created the draft contract and will deliver it to the Sheriff's Department after being reviewed by John. John and Dave will follow up. Update the contact people on the contract to John and Dave. The contract expires in April of 2024.
- Raffle Tickets** – Tickets not ordered yet. Still need the license applied for. John will apply for the license. Dave brought up about having a dummy gun at the ticket sales.
- Gate & Storage Combo change** – Reminder that the front gate has been changed and the storage shed was changed. The storage shed combination was only forwarded to the board members at this time. Question on the trap lock.
- Grant applications** –Discussion on the grant application for March and for September. John will follow up with Harold and Wayne.
- Annual Dinner** – The Annual Dinner is scheduled for November 14, 2024, and for November 14, 2025.

- Lake County Community Foundation** – Previously it was asked for the Club to sponsor a one-day liquor license for them at the Legends. This is no longer needed.

New Business

- Trap** – No one available to discuss trap questions. We need to know the 2024 league dates and lock combination. Other items to discuss were separate account and purchase of trap thrower from Reed City. Items were tabled at this time.
- Jeremy – Northwood Lead** – Discussion on having an additional gun raffle at the Annual Dinner for people who come to the dinner only. Jeremy will take care of everything that is necessary to transfer the guns at the dinner. This would be for an additional income to the club. Motion by Kelly to authorize John to approve a purchase of two guns up to the amount of \$1000 for the Annual Dinner after speaking with three other board members, second by Jim. Unanimous approval.
- Committees** – Review of the last Building committee meeting minutes from September of 2022. Discussion. Chuck is going to look at the flag/markings on site now that were established when digging for the well. Then come back with more information. John is going to follow up with Harold. A lead person is still needed for the Annual Dinner.
- Len questioned raffle and advertising** – Currently ticket sales will continue as is. Not being able to take the guns to each site now, Jeremy is going to get pictures of the guns so we can present them at the ticket locations. Kelly will have the pictures blown up into poster size. Also discussed was advertising in magazines, social media, tri-fold brochures. Len has the fliers from the previous year. Harold is requested to see how many tri-fold brochures we have and if we need to order more.

8. Round Table

Dave – asked about Hunting Lease. Len asked about better publicizing of the winner. John will take care of the Hunting Lease.

Chuck – brought up about the building site and will get more information to bring back to the board.

Len – mentioned about the electric poles and their locations.

Chuck made a motion to allow Jeremy a membership for his assist with the guns, seconded by Jim. Unanimous.

Kelly – asked about the application received from the Chamber of Commerce for a banner put up on the fence during Bike Week. Discussion. Kelly made a motion to approve the \$125.00 sponsorship for one of our banners on the fence during bike week, seconded by Dave. Unanimous approval. Chuck will check in the storage shed for what banners we do have and if we need to replace.

John – brought up about a request for a Hunter’s Safety course being offered this summer at a camp.

Discussion. With the DNR now, there is an online class before any practical course can be done. Questioned if we are allowed to do a private class. John will follow up with Keith.

Kelly – handed out the current Lead Person list to each board member for their review. A few lead positions need to be filled. Board members to review the list and try to fill the vacant positions.

- Adjourn Meeting** – Motion to adjourn, 8:50 pm by Chuck, seconded by Dave. Unanimous approval.

The Next meeting is Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30 p.m..

VOLUNTEER HOURS 02/2024

Chuck Barron	4.0
John Beach	4.0
Scott Cambridge	0
Bill Chulski	0
Ron Dionne	2.5
Dale Groulx	0
Dennis Karczynski	1.5
Ken Kibbins	0

Bud Kloosterman	0
Neil Lynch	0
Greg Nichols Jr	0
Greg Nichols Sr	2.5
Harold Nichols	0
Mark Pietras	0
James Young	2.5
Len Todd	2.5
Taylor VanDyke	0
Dave Weronko	4.0
Fred Woldering Sr	4.0
James Young	2.5
Kristy Young	0
Kelly Zoellner	15
Mike Wacyk	1.5
Ruth Fox	1.5
Wayne Fox	1.5

If you do not see your name on this list, or have hours missing, please contact Dennis and let me know the hours we are missing, and we can confirm with the person in charge of the event.