

VIKING SPORTSMEN MINUTES April 21, 2011

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Hoskins Belinda Wink Jim Stratton Glen Wink Barb Wittmer

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Gregg Baxter Jim Baxter Arlene Bosek Syl Schmidt, Jr. Bill Maynard
Todd Lanners Kevin Weisel Curt Flesner Roger Wittmer Steve Henry
Gus Gustafson Dwain Schuette Cliff Emmert Gene Sullivan Mark Anderson

Guests: Chuck Kaley, Chuck, Nettetstad, Bob Parkin, Jay Kulp, Bev Schmidt, Jim Lais, Merrill Pedersen, Dale Flesner, Archie Ziethamer, Chuck Bokinskie, Jeff Parkin, Tom Honkomp, Tom Kraemer, Ron & Karen Berget, Rich Olsen, Tom & Chris Pappenfus & Jack Cottington.

Meeting called to order by President Steve Hoskins at 8:00 p.m.

Introduction of guests

SECRETARY'S REPORT

With the correction of meeting on Thursday not Saturday at Jan's place, Arlene moved to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Chuck Nettetstad. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Checking \$7,245.29	Thrivent General Fund \$0.53	Habitat Day \$2,159.71
Property Fund CD \$8,460.81	Engelbrecht Scholarship CD \$3,595.51	Engelbrecht Scholarship \$42,403.81
Property Fund CD \$1,756.00	Prudential \$8,833.95	Fish Stocking Account \$12,826.54
Jr. Viking Account \$3,487.94	Ice Fishing Challenge \$132,219.00	

Roger moved to approve treasurer's report and pay bills, seconded by Arlene. Motion Passed.

Ron Berget was introduced and spoke to the group about an upcoming youth fishing challenge, it is a fundraising event for Youth for Christ and Teen Challenge. Each team must have a youth as one of the members. The event will be held on Friday and Saturday May 27 and 28, 2011.

OLD BUSINESS

- ⇒ Banquet – Thanked everyone who helped with the banquet. The committee will get together to analyze the banquet before the next meeting.
- ⇒ Steve Hoskins attended the MN DNR meeting that was held at the Bemo building on March 24. License fee proposals were discussed, you can check out the DNR web site to see the presentation. We need to get our input to our Representatives and Senators, the license fee money to run out in 2013
- ⇒ Kitchen remodel – Mark Anderson would like to see it finished, we need a bigger hot water heater, the sink needs to be put in place and other things need to be finished. Mark and others will be getting together to get the job done. This project was approved a few years ago and wasn't finished at that time.

NEW BUSINESS

- ⇒ Steve Henry – Legacy update - Organizations awarded grants must provide 10% of the funding for the project (may be in kind). Private property applying for a Legacy grant must have a permanent conservation easement. Cost is about \$15,000.00 and the property must have significant environmental benefits. Private property receiving a Legacy grant does not have to be open to public hunting. Joint projects with government organizations – MN DNR and US fish and Wildlife are possible and probably the best way to go. The next grant period is in October 2011. The last closed on March 31, 2011.
- ⇒ Rich Olsen – ** Lake Carlos event is planned again this year for September 27, 2011 and would appreciate help again from the Viking Sportsmen. **Art Engelbrecht site cleared needs ideas as to what we would like to see done to that area, something with low to minimal maintenance. **Land Acquisition – 75 acres in Southeast Pope County, Pheasants Forever in process of purchasing it and would like to ask for a donation of \$1,250 to help with this project. Mostly there are deer and turkey in the area. **Another 700 acre piece just over the county line in Pope County, 600 acres are in CRP and pasture, 100 acres tillable.

- ⇒ Archie Ziethamer – Lake Mary carp trap, ice took out west end of carp trap, he came to see if we would like to help repair along with Lake Mary Association. Will report back to us on this project.
- ⇒ Roger moved we donate \$150 in clothing to the deer hunter's banquet, seconded by Arlene. Motion passed.
- ⇒ Barb brought up the idea of sending out postcards thanking the people who came to our banquet and asking for their e-mail addresses and let everyone know about our web site. Motion by Mark to do this but cost not to exceed \$200, seconded by Jim Baxter. Motion passed.
- ⇒ Pioneer Heritage Conservation Trust is having a tour of their projects on Saturday April 30.
- ⇒ Jay Kulp – there is a benefit to help Isaac to purchase a wheel chair that will help him be able to get out in the outdoors and enjoy hunting and other activities on May 17th from 5-7 p.m. at Alexandria Covenant Church. Thrivent will have matching funds so our donation can be doubled to help with the purchase of the chair.
- ⇒ There are still some months open to serve the meal, see Barb to sign up.
- ⇒ Jr. Vikings will again be having their Habitat day in February 2012.

Arlene Bosek move to adjourn, seconded by Gregg Baxter. Motion passed.

Next meeting May 19, 2011 at the Bemo Building
Serving this month: Mark A, Bill M, Steve H

FYI – Upcoming Events

July 13 – Sr. Fishing

August 18 - 21 Douglas County Fair

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Agenda for May 19, 2011

Call to Order

Introduction of guests

Secretary Report

Treasurers Report

Old Business

1. Discussion on request by the Rich Olson from the DNR for \$1250 to help purchase land in Pope County.

New Business

1. Jerry Haggenmiller – discuss a project with the Parkers Prairie Sportsmen
2. Belinda Wink – Fair booth
3. Geneva pier mowing - Tom Hedstrom renewed membership
4. Senior Fishing
5. Miltona Science Magnet School request
6. Someone to serve in June

Adjourn