

VIKING SPORTSMEN MINUTES May 15, 2014

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Henry Belinda Wink Gene Sullivan Jim Stratton Barb Wittmer Steve Hoskins

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Jim Baxter	Roger Wittmer	Todd Lanners	Dean Krebs
Gregg Baxter	DeWayne Bisek	Syl Schmidt, Jr.	Bill Maynard
Arlene Bosek	Chuck Bokinskie		

Others in Attendance: Jeff Parkin, Craig DeJong, Bev Schmidt & Mike Frisch.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Steve Henry.

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of guests

SECRETARY'S REPORT

In the VS/PF Food Plot program it should have read: the program will have up to 25 acres, plots will be 1-3 acres.

Motion by Roger Wittmer to approve minutes as printed, seconded by Steve Hoskins. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jim went over the treasurer's report, listed outstanding checks and the Lessard Sams property project, the money is paid out and then we receive a check from the state. Motion by Jim Baxter to accept treasurers' report and pay bills, seconded by Gregg Baxter. Motion passed.

Jeff Parkin came and spoke about the Alexandria High School Shooting League. They have 65 students participating, and they are looking for help to defer the cost to participate. This league goes for 10 weeks ending in June. June 6-10th will be the State Championship in Alexandria. Money will be matched donation 2 to 1. Motion by Jim Baxter to donate \$1,300.00 for matching so it would become \$3,900.00, seconded by Arlene Bosek. Motion passed.

Mike Frisch from the School of Fish asking if we would help sponsor a class on fishing for youth coming up on Friday and Saturday June 13 and 14, 2014. Jim Stratton moved to donate \$500.00 to become a sponsor to the School of Fish, seconded by Gene Sullivan. Motion passed.

Craig DeJong was here from Pioneer Heritage Conservation Trust to talk about some of the projects they have helped with using the Lessard Sams Legacy monies. Touched on how they applied for grants and paired with other groups like ours to complete projects. Need to start a fund so when projects come up money is available to pay the portion the group has to pay for the project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Banquet – Jim Baxter thanked everyone who helped.

Communication - Barb Wittmer passed around the updated brochure; executive board will decide to print 1,000 or 2,000 depending on the cost. Arlene moved to proceed with brochure, seconded by Gregg Baxter. Motion passed.

Fair Booth – Belinda has the sign up sheet, you can contact her or Paul Kusmak, need to update our signs with new logo to have on display at the fair, have Affordable Signs do the job for us. We need to get pictures of our events together and have them put on a DVD to be played at the fair for people to see what we do as an organization. Dean Krebs, Barb Wittmer will work on this asking others if they would also help.

Raffle – Have a gun raffle again this year starting with the fair and giving them away at our annual meeting January 15, 2015. We will have 3 guns, sell 1,500 tickets and authorize Roger Wittmer to purchase the guns. Steve Hoskins moved to proceed with gun raffle to be given out at our annual meeting, seconded by Gregg Baxter. Motion passed.

Youth – Working on the youth event that will be on August 24, 2014. Next meeting May 27th at the trap range 5:30 p.m. Dean has a flyer that we will send out to our members and get on the website. We will need help with various

stations, conservation groups to conduct activities like hunting, fishing and any other outdoor related activities, contact Dean Krebs at dean.krebs@anteagroup.com

Kid's food plots - Distributing seed for planting, about 90 kids are participating again this year.

VS/PF Food Plot – As of tonight there are no applications for this year.

Senior Fishing – July 9, 2014 Arlene Bosek and Jim Baxter are working on this event, if you would like to help contact either of them. Fish stocking crew will be frying fish to be eaten later in the day.

Fish Stocking – Gene Sullivan reported nothing new at this time.

Property Management – Need to work on getting signs on our properties. We have various pieces of equipment we no longer use being stored in the back room. Roger Wittmer, Glen Wink and Steve Henry will put together a list and put the items on K-Bid. We also have a boat; Roger Wittmer will contact Larry Kvitek to see where it is so we can also put that on K-Bid.

Financial Management – Bill Maynard and Steve Henry met with Loren, there are specifications in the Art Engelbrecht fund where principal cannot be placed at any risk, Bill and Steve will be working with the family to see about changes in wording. Viking Sportsmen money to be invested, the finance committee had been given the authority to make the decisions that would be best for the organization.

OLD BUSINESS

- ⇒ Updating By-Laws – The executive board decided that for now the changes in question could be policy issues, like how many meeting can be missed by directors in a year. We do ask that you send an email to vikingsportsmen@gmail.com if you will not be able to attend the scheduled meeting.
- ⇒ Reminder that the dates have been changed for the July meeting to July 9, 2014 after Senior Fishing and August 13, 2014 to set up for the fair.

NEW BUSINESS

- ⇒ Pheasant Release – Roger Wittmer reported there are still 100 pheasants yet to be released.
- ⇒ WMA Food Plots – Roger Wittmer will be planting on the WMA's again this year, he got some of the corn from the DNR this year and will have to purchase the rest along with the fertilizer. Last year Viking Sportsmen helped with \$800 to cover the cost of the job. Roger also donates his time and equipment. Jim Baxter moved to cover cost as in the past, \$800.00 for the two food plots, seconded by Steve Hoskins. Motion passed.
- ⇒ Gene Sullivan mentioned we need to have our new logo put on our trailer along with the fish stocking logo. We will check with Winning Edge Graphics for the cost to have this done.
- ⇒ When organizations come asking for donations do we vote while they are here or after the group has left.
- ⇒ We need a couple of maps of Douglas County for the Fish Stocking and Pheasant Release programs to put where the fish and pheasants are put out each year.

Motion to Adjourn by Arlene Bosek and seconded by Gene Sullivan. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted
Barb Wittmer
Secretary

Next meeting June 19, 2014 Bemo Building

John Peshek and Jim Stratton will be serving.

FYI – Upcoming Events

Senior Fishing – Wednesday July 9, 2014

Parent/Daughter Shoot - Tuesday, July 22 at 6 pm at the Alex Shooting Park (trap range)

Youth Day – Sunday August 24, 2014 at Alex Shooting Park.

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Meeting Agenda for June 19, 2014

1. Call order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Introduction of guests
4. Secretary Report
5. Treasurer Report
6. Request for assistance with land purchase-PF/USF&W
Dean Krebs and Larry Martin USF&W
7. Donation to Luther Crest for GPS or archery equipment
8. Committee reports
 - 1 Communications/website
 - 2 Youth day
 - 3 Senior fishing
 - 4 VS/PF food plots
 - 5 Financial management
 - 6 Fish stocking/fish fry's
9. Old Business
 1. School of fish
 2. Property management
 - 3 other
10. New Business
 1. NASP-extra curricular activity at District 206-Durk Stark
 - 2 District 206 contact Dean Krebs
 3. other