

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 1/29/2024

Attendance: See attached list (19), a quorum was present.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the President, Jeff Brazo. A quorum (19, min 13/25) was present.

Present: Jeff Brazo, Jay Baker, Benson Baumeister, Kathy Book, Kathy Crandall, Randy Crandall, Pete Davis, Paul Hassenger, Allen Kasdorf, Nancy Lawrence, Tom McLaughlin, Larry Murray, Jim Perlberg, Mike Phillely, Roy Rawlinson, Andy Rockwell, Mark Speicher, Shawn Scott, Tom Whitford,

Members and Guests: Mark Quirin, Kevin Fry, Charlie Reynolds, TJ Baker, Daniel Penn
New member candidate Jeff Decuypere spoke to Board, along with Q&A.
Jason Bingaman gave 10-minute talk, then 20 min Q&A.

Officer & Director Reports:

Rec Sec: Leslie York had an excused emergency absence, no minutes presented.

Exec Sec: Kathy Crandall presented 6 member households for new membership (report attached), and MOVED they be accepted. Tom Whitford 2nd. Motion Carried. For the current year, we have 944 member households, and have taken in \$78,757.25 in dues. For the upcoming year (24-25) we currently have 360 member households and have taken in \$29,076.25 in dues. Jim Perlberg MOVED to accept report, Benson Baumeister 2nd, Motion carried.

Treasurer: Tom McLaughlin gave financial report (attached). Noted that checking acct at lowest level since he took office. However, all bills are paid and we didn't have to use the credit line. Andy Rockwell MOVED to accept, Nancy Lawrence 2nd, carried. We will have to PASS a BUDGET at next BOD meeting.

VP: no report

Dist. Dir: no report

Pres Report: Received a thank you card from Deanna Buckhold regarding the Certificate of Appreciation sent to her after Chris' Buckhold's passing. The EMU researcher is not coming right now – no Liability Cert. Harold Avildsen dropped off Conservation district flyers. In AZ, you don't have to register handguns, and if you have a valid CPL from another state, you can obtain an AZ CPL and won't have to register future handgun purchases. The Fair Assoc is holding a gun raffle of 5 guns. \$25/ticket or 5 tickets/\$100 They could raise \$17,000. Something like this would be a good fundraiser for our Club.

Act Dir:

- The MUCC Convention will be held March 8-10 in Sault Ste Marie. Neither Allen Kasdorf nor Nancy Lawrence can attend. The MUCC Director will speak at our Annual Meeting in March.
- Mike Phillely introduced Kevin Fry as his upcoming replacement for IDPA. Mike will work thru HD10. Kevin agreed to become the IDPA Activity Director at some future time.
- Andy Rockwell has \$1,200 left in his budget and will purchase a dueling tree for \$550 + tax + frame. Cost to be less than \$650.

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Old Business:

FSA Forestry Grant: The Club was offered a settlement payment of \$134,342. We had to take out "volunteer" verbiage. We spent \$198,000 and were expecting reimbursement up to 75% (\$148,500). We didn't complete everything covered in the grant proposal – didn't completely clear East ridge. We also sold timber - \$30,000. We will most likely never secure the entire amount expected. There is an open congressional investigation which needs to be closed before we can receive payment. Tom McLaughlin stated that in the year the grant monies are received, we will write off about \$34,000 in the budget. This will give us a deficit for the year, on paper. Allen Kasdorf MOVED that we accept FSA's offer of \$134,342. Kathy Book 2nd, Motion carried. (*Paul Hassenger may have better info*)

Long Range Plan and Financial Planning: Meetings are ongoing and Paul Groniger is doing a facility report to be presented at the May Board meeting

CPR/First Aid: We had 9 present. Benson Baumeister good-naturedly took a beating as our test dummy. Jeff Brazo will pick up NarCan from the Sheriff's Dept for our first-aid bags.

Mower Sale: no action taken yet

Hunter Ed: Mark Quirin will take over HE. At the March meeting, we will need approval from the membership. Jim Perlberg MOVED that Mark Quirin be made the Hunter Ed Activity Director. Tom Whitford 2nd. Motion carried. (A bucket was passed for a collection for Fred's family.)

New Business: None

Next meeting on 2/26/24 -- Approve new budget!

Larry Murrey MOVED to adjourn, Benson Baumeister seconded, Motion carried. (Time not recorded)

In the absence of the Recording Secretary, Minutes were taken by Exec Sec, Kathy Crandall