

CHATFIELD FISH AND GAME CLUB BOARD MEETING AT FISH AND GAME CLUB 11-14-23 AT 6:30 P.M.

Call to order by President Ryan Forbes:

Old business:

1. Club surveillance system.
2. New trap range concrete project.

New business:

1. Club scholarships review.
2. Club close up items.
3. Club targets.
4. Spring CRP burn/Prairie Smoke membership.
5. Habitat donation.
6. Winter snow removal.
7. 2024 membership cards.

Members attending: President Ryan Forbes, Vice-President Tom Bush, Secretary Quint Lohse, Treasurer Greg Eichten, Board members Roger Richardson, Steve Prinsen and Tony Johnson. Guest was club member Sharon Prinsen. Absent was board member Steve Schmit.

Ryan opened the meeting at 6:45 and reviewed old business. Ryan and Mike Manning have selected a new surveillance system equipped with eight cameras for around \$1100. This system would work with satellite internet which would run about \$90 a month. The other options would be to use dial up trail cameras (assuming a cellular signal) or continue to use the existing system. A FINAL decision will be made at the annual meeting in February. The High School trap team would like the option of WI-FI on the internet for logging scores, etc. as cell phone service is spotty at best on the clubs grounds. Tom mentioned he recently purchased a cell phone signal booster for his personal use at a cost of \$450 which raised his signal from one bar to three. Roger volunteered to check with Verizon on this for the trap team's application.

Lanny Isensee has staked out the shooting pads for the second trap range and hopefully cement will be poured yet this year. Ryan will check will Lanny on the status of this project.

New Business: Sharon reviewed some additions to the clubs scholarship program from the 5-2-23 board meeting which were agreed upon. (See attachments). This program will also be posted on the clubs website.

Ryan has cleaned the refrigerator out which completes the major items on the club closed for the season list. Greg suggested we add clean out the overflow pipe at the dam to the list which we also check in the spring. Steve volunteered to check this item before the snow comes.

Making targets for both ranges continues to be an issue as our main target maker has retired from doing this. Any member who can help with making targets is encouraged to contact any member of the management team if interested. It was suggested we add making targets to the spring clean-up list and hopefully get a bunch made for next summer and fall. Any club member who has target making material (2X4's and plywood only for backing) can drop it off at the club house or put it by the pistol range.

Greg will send a club membership to Prairie Smoke and hopefully we can arrange a CRP burn with them in the spring. This membership should be an annual renewal by the club.

The group discussed how the club can do more regarding donations to improve habitat and water quality in our area. If anyone becomes aware of a need for a donation to any of the many organizations, bring the item to the attention of the club's management team. This could be in the form of a gun/etc. donated in the name of the club or a monetary donation.

Ryan will contact the club's snow removal contractor to plow any snow over two inches in the parking lot.

Ryan will also contact Al Amundson to make up membership cards for 2024 and hopefully have them ready by early December for purchase.

Minutes by Secretary Quint Lohse