

## **BPSA Monthly Minutes June 2017**

The regular monthly meeting was held on Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> with 34 members present. The President, Jim Martell, asked if the May 2017 meeting minutes had any errors or omissions. A motion to adopt the minutes of the May meeting by Jim McKane, seconded by Al Hunter, carried.



### **New Member & Guest Introductions**

- None

### **Old Business**

- Jim Martell, on behalf of Kevin Harders, gave an update on the Invasive Species Boot Scrubber Program:
  - 6 boot scrubbers have been assembled. 2 more needed for Oliphant Marina. Signage cost is \$37.50 x 6 = \$225; set-up fee is \$65/hr. (2-3 hrs.) one time labour fee \$195; membership approval was given for 10 boot scrubbers at an approximate cost of \$1,000. Need 4 more boot scrubbers.
- Dennis Morton gave an update on the proposed multi-purpose building.
  - Project Committee - Director, Dennis Morton had requested a "concept" drawing for a multi-use addition to the BPSA's clubhouse from Ray Marklevitz.
  - Ray Marklevitz consulted with 3 other members, Murray Garniss, Gord Smith and Wayne Musselman and prepared a "concept" drawing.
  - The "concept" drawing was presented to the Board on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, and will be referred to the Project Committee for review/comment.
  - The Project Committee will meet in July.

### **Treasury - Mel Urbshott**

DEPOSITS for June 2017	\$1,703.09
EXPENSES from May 26 to June 29, 2017	\$5,663.54
BALANCE	\$3,313.70

- Some of the expenses are – hatchery \$3,930.36; kids fish day \$539.00; newsletter & minutes \$330.17; hydro \$320.86; Ted Wilford Bursary \$200.00; Supplies for Club \$343.15.
- Ways & Means deposited \$102.13. Balance is now \$6,752.16, which includes \$6,000.00 donation from Mar Women's Institute.
- Roy Hamilton Memorial Severe Winter Deer Feeding Fund is \$3,577.32
- November 26, 2016 1 year cashable GIC matured. Reinvested for 1 year @ .50% interest - \$24,170.00
- July 2, 2017 3 year GIC comes due - \$23,531.42.
- Yield to maturity 1.6132%/year on 3 year GIC.
- Mel made a motion to leave GIC in bank + interest account for right now, \$23,531.42 + interest 470.63, seconded by Jim McKane, carried.
- Mel Urbshott made a motion we accept the report, seconded by Brian Allen, carried.
- \$20 donation in memory of Doug Arnold, Mel sent a card of thank you to his wife.
- Jim McKane questioned the cost of printing and mailing of minutes and newsletter to 34 members. To be reviewed in the fall.

### **Membership - Jerry Beaver**

- Paid Members:
  - New - 26
  - Single - 59
  - Family - 64

- X 2 for Family - 64
- Youth - 1
- TOTAL - 214
- Members not Paid - 34

- Paid Gun Club members - 78
- Paid Archery members - 9

**Prizes & T-shirts – Marje Beaver**

- T-shirts still for sale.

**Special Events – Ken & Jen Barrett**

- Beef and Pork BBQ – Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- Murray Garniss is leading the BBQ event.

**Archery - Donna & Paul Maginnis**

- For the summer we are trying OPEN HOURS. We are there to set up around 5:30 pm, officially we open at 6 pm, but if people wish to come early and help set up the earlier they can shoot. We stay open until 8:30 or until people are done shooting. Any age group can come and go at any time. Youth can stay the whole evening or leave early. This is helping to maintain the attendance numbers over the summer as rather than having to choose between soccer/baseball, etc. and archery. Many manage to make it to both activities with the pliable hours.
- Previous practice was to leave some equipment in the outdoor shed for members that wish to use their gate key to practice during the week. It has been decided that we will no longer leave equipment in the shed other than targets.
- We have 4 potential youth members at the moment and have had several enquiries. Many are finding about us from the advert in the South Bruce Recreational listing.

**Bulletin/Minutes - David Morton**

- Bulletin 8 pages; Minutes 5 pages;
- 50 of each printed, mailed out 34, delivered 3
- Additional mailing cost - \$13.45

**Fish Hatchery – Nathan Smith**

- Remaining yearlings about 15,000 have been stocked in Colpoy’s Creek. Rainbow trout size is in the 20 gram range.
- Brown trout on hand about 28,000 in good condition with no mortality.
- Rainbow trout have hatched and are doing well. We have approximately 120,500.
- Hatchery water flow is good running between 25 and 30 gallons per minute.
- New feeders and oxygen meter have arrived.

**Handgun Club - Al Hunter**

- **Clubhouse Security**
  - Several instances have occurred over the past couple of weeks where the Club House was found locked but the alarm not set. Please take an extra moment when closing to ensure the alarm is set and all windows are secured.
- **Summer Hours Range Practice**
  - The range will be staffed with a range officer on the first and third Wed. evening during June, July and August at 7:00 PM.
  - Weekly afternoon range practice will be staffed with a Range Officer at 1:00 PM every Wed. during June, July and August.

- Arrangements can be made to shoot at other times but a Range Officer must be present and the minimum number of shooters is two, one of which must be an approved Range Officer. A list of active Range Officers is on the vault door.
- The Handgun Club currently has four probationary (new) shooters and two members are presently going through the Range Officer approval process.
- **CFO Range Inspection, June 26/17**
  - Monday, June 26/17, CFO Officer/Inspector Cooper inspected the BPSA Handgun Club Range and approved the range for another 2-3 years. No negative issues to address. Frank Hutter and I were on site during the inspection.

#### **Scheduling - Annette Musselman**

- Working with Nathan Smith on scheduling on web site. Need one calendar on member web site and another open to the public. Reason, Club internal schedule should be limited to members only.

#### **Property - Wayne Musselman**

- Looking after cutting of lawn.
- At June 19, 2017 Board meeting, Wayne asked for suggestions with respect to conversation Jim Martell had with Wayne & Pat Hepburn regarding widening of road to improve visibility. Nathan Smith made a motion to improve visibility of laneway, seconded by Kevin Harders, carried.
- Remove some trees to clear sight lines to remove blind spot. Leave trees at well.
- Brian Allen offered his services and will set a date with Wayne Musselman.
- Members interested in helping please contact Wayne Musselman 519-935-3870.

#### **O.F.A.H - Stu Paterson - Refer to NEWS section of BPSA website for full report.**

- Presented June 2017 report for BPSA.
- OFAH partnered with Shimano Canada Limited to produce a series of videos about fishing, hunting, trapping and conservation. Watched the first video "Telling Our Story".
- OMNRF is working on a new hunting and fishing licensing system for the province.
- Federal government has delayed implementation of the controversial United Nations firearms marking protocol. The regulations were to become law on June 1, 2017, but now will be delayed until December 1, 2018.
- There is more this month about Bill C-47.
- BPSA will be celebrating 55 years of conservation on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. This date is also National Hunting, Trapping and Fishing Heritage Day.
  - Stu Paterson asked if the Club was doing anything special to mark this date, i.e. Open House. The members were in agreement with putting something on the cakes for the BBQ on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Murray Garniss to arrange.
- Summer OFAH Zone H meeting is set for July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 10 am.

#### **Ways & Means - Ian McGregor**

- Remember to purchase your raffle tickets from Ian McGregor, Don Elliott, or Dennis Morton for our upcoming draw for 5 fund-raising items.
- The draw will be held in September.

#### **New Business:**

- **Constitution & By-Laws – Jim McKane**
  - Board recommends acceptance of 2017 Constitution and By-Laws as presented by Constitution Committee Chair, Jim McKane.
  - Circulated in a broadcast BPSA email sent mid June.
  - Board extends thanks and appreciation to Constitution Committee members Jim McKane, Tim Lahey and Dennis Morton.

- Mel Urbshott mentioned much of the constitution reworded from original to capture essence of the club.
- Jim McKane made a motion to accept, seconded by Brian Allen, carried.
- **Condolences Policy – Jim Martell**
  - BPSA Board recommends Policy on condolences for the death of a member as follows:
    - Ask for a volunteer to send out a sympathy card;
    - 2 minutes of silence at a regular club monthly meeting;
    - Semi-annual reporting of deaths in Furs, Fins and Feathers newsletter (June and November).
  - Other gestures of remembrance can be offered through a benevolence committee, i.e. use of club house for memorial, lunch (they provide food).
  - Donna Maginnis volunteered to send out sympathy cards.
- **Club Facility Use – Jim Martell**
  - BPSA to develop a broad policy on facility use for non-member and member groups.
  - Property Director, Annette Musselman, to chair.
  - President, Jim Martell, is responding to recent enquiries from Caframo, Wiarton Rotary, and Cooperators Insurance of Wiarton.
  - We require groups to abide by our guidelines and policies to have access to our facility.
- **Land Donation from Pat & Wayne Hepburn**
  - Received a letter from Pat & Wayne Hepburn advising they have decided to donate 100 x 915 feet of extra land on North Acres Road to the BPSA.
  - They are offering the donation of this land to the BPSA with some conditions, i.e., take care of costs associated with transfer, tree planting.
  - Jim McKane asked approximately how much will it cost.
  - Jim Martell advised costs at approximately \$7,000 to \$10,000 for survey, application, planner, etc.
  - Jim Martell is meeting with Bruce County Planner, Amanda Herbert in mid July.
  - Brian Allen made a motion to give Board permission to proceed with offer of 100 x 915, seconded by Jim McKane, carried.
  - Approximately 2.1 acres.
  - In 2011 they offered the sale of the land for \$43,000 + costs.

## **Other Business**

### **MNRF – Jim Martell**

- No rabies in our area yet – closest confirmation was just south of Mount Forest so it could move up at any time. The south part of Grey and Bruce are in the surveillance area – MNRF staff is monitoring the spread of the disease and request the public to report any local animals acting oddly.
- If you or anyone you know comes across a racoon or skunk acting out of the ordinary call Ben McGill- 519-371-8468.

### **Manpower Assistance - Dennis Morton**

- There are 2 upcoming events that require manpower: 1) Sydenham Sportsman - help put up their tent Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 and take it down on Monday, Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017; 2) Barrow Bay Fish Club fish fry Sat. Aug 12 @ 4:00 pm- 7:30pm – help set up dining tents on Thursday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

### **Chantry Fish Derby - Jack Seatter**

- Draw was held for 2 members to attend the Chantry Fish Derby in Kincardine the morning of July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

- Winners of the draw – Jim Martell and Ian Laughland.
- Stu Paterson made a motion to donate \$400 this year & official sponsor, seconded by Brian Allen, carried.

Jim Martell thanked Donna and Paul Maginnis for their donation of warming trays to the club.

Next meeting is Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>,2017.

**Winners of the Draw Prizes**

- Caps (2) – Wes McCallum, Bill Hewitson
- Hand Towels (2) – Bill Blacklock, Art Kampf
- Fishing Lures (3) – Wes McCallum, Nathan Smith, Martha Martell
- Preserves – Dennis Morton
- Fishing Rod – Larry Parker
- Metal Sign – Murray Garniss
- T Shirt – Don Elliott
- Work Gloves – Larry Parker
- Berkley Fish Scale – Brian Allen
- Moose Sausage – Mel Urbshott

A motion by Ian MacGregor to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dennis Morton, carried, ending the June 2017 meeting at 9:28 pm.