

BPSA Monthly Minutes January 2018

The regular monthly meeting was held on Thursday, January 25th with 29 members present. The President, Jim Martell, asked if the October 2017 meeting minutes had any errors or omissions. A motion to adopt the minutes of the October meeting by Brian Allen, seconded by Larry Parker, carried.

New Member & Guest Introductions

- Martin Baxter
- Eric Barker

Membership - Jerry Beaver

- Paid Members:
 - New - 4
 - Single - 34
 - Family - 5
 - X 2 for Family - 5
 - Youth - 0
 - TOTAL - 48
 - Members not Paid - 212
 - Members mailed minutes - 11
- Paid Handgun Club members - 0
- Paid Archery members - 2
- More accurate membership numbers will be available at next meeting.

T-shirts – Marje Beaver

- Lots of T-shirts still available for sale @ \$15 each.

Special Events – Ken & Jen Barrett

- Need a volunteer coordinator for May 26th Potluck Social and July 14th Beef & Pork Dinner.
- BBQ \$16.00 for adults & \$8.00 for children under 10.
- Don Elliott picked up entries for the year. Only have 3 entries so far. None for salmon or trout.
- Don Elliott advised for the March 24th event to bring anything including meat.

Prizes – Kevin Harders & Dianne McCartney

- Marje Beaver stepped down from this position.
- Kevin Harders and Dianne McCartney have volunteered to fill this position which was greatly appreciated and accepted by the membership.

Project Committee – Dennis Morton

- Project Committee has not had another meeting.
- Dennis Morton met with Al Sutter and building contractor and member, Bruce Mallard, on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 to discuss the proposed building addition features and design. A number of changes were discussed.
- A Project Committee meeting will be called to get input.
- Dennis Morton recommended Al Sutter meet with the local building inspector to determine what the Municipality would require from BPSA when we are ready to apply for building permit.

Archery - Donna & Paul Maginnis

- Nothing to report until shooting starts-up again.

Ways & Means - Ian McGregor

- Nothing to report.
- Not planning on running an internal raffle with prizes like we had in 2017.

Newsletter/Minutes – Phyllis Laughland

- Newsletter – 4 pages (2 sheets)
- Minutes – 4 pages (2 sheets).
- 11 printed; 11 mailed
- Additional mailing cost - \$0.00

Scheduling - Annette Musselman

- Nothing reported.

Property - Wayne Musselman

- Nothing reported.

Treasury - Mel Urbshott

- General Account:

DEPOSITS

- December 2017	\$ 553.60
- January 2018	\$ 780.00
- TOTAL	\$ 1,330.60

EXPENSES

- December 2017	\$ 4,868.05
- January 2018	\$ 1,231.99
- TOTAL	\$ 6,100.04

BALANCE: \$32,482.41

- Some of the expenses:
 - Lawyer (boot scrubbers & land use contract) \$ 288.15
 - Hydro \$ 269.64
 - Ram Trophies – 2018 Buttons \$ 378.55
 - Clean Club House & Supplies \$ 289.26
 - Mileage OFAH \$ 176.40
 - Meeting with MPP in Kincardine \$ 60.90
 - Club Insurance for 2018 \$3,089.88
 - December snow removal and sanding \$ 840.72
- Ways & Means Account deposited \$90 (door prize ticket sales). Balance is \$8,377.00, which includes \$6,000.00 donation from Mar Women’s Institute.
- Roy Hamilton Memorial Severe Winter Deer Feeding Fund is \$3,577.47
- On January 12th, 2018 the books were given to BDO to do a summary of the Clubs activities for 2017.
- Spent approx. \$4,816 on Hepburn land severance to date.
- Mel Urbshott made a motion to accept treasurer report, seconded by Brian Allen, carried.

Fish Hatchery – Nathan Smith

- Salmon we babysat over Christmas break were returned to school.
- Received approximately 32,000 Brown eggs.
 - They are starting to hatch.
- Over wintering about 35,000 Rainbow
- Ray Marklevitz advised OFAH application has been sent in. Cost for running the hatchery was \$200 under \$10,000, which is about \$200 more than last year (includes feed, hydro, etc.).
- Purchased an electric blanket to thaw lines.

- Water takings for 2017 calculated at about 56M Litres.
- A hatchery duty roster is being developed to outline work for 2018.
 - Anyone interested in helping out please contact Ray Marklevitz.
 - Ray Marklevitz spoke to the fact that we need manpower to help run the hatchery, i.e. feed the fish, clean tanks, etc. A calendar has been posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board and would like members to volunteer for preferably 2 consecutive weeks or at least 1 week. Members are to put their name and phone number in weeks they would like cover starting Sunday and ending on Saturday.
 - Eric Barker asked if a Hatchery manual could be posted on website. Nathan Smith is working on this.
 - Paul Maginnis asked if the feeding/cleaning had to be done at the same time every day? Ray Marklevitz advised it does not.

Handgun Club - AI Hunter

- Sunday, December 17th, 2017, 6 members of the Handgun Club turned out for a workday in the range. New sound board was installed on both sides along with barriers to help prevent bullets from striking the side walls and the target trolley was adjusted to improve function. BIG thank you to Kelly, Frank, Joerg, Ben, Emanuel and Kristian.
- 2018 season is well underway with lots of activity at the range and with our competition team.
- The Handgun Club has a new Membership Chair, Mark Young, and Treasurer, Joerg Klein.
- To facilitate a smooth transition we urged Handgun Club members to get their renewals in no later than December 31st, 2017 and members that did so would have their name entered in a draw for a \$75 gift certificate to Lake Huron Rod & Gun.
- January 8th, 2018, Kat McCulloch drew the winning ticket in the Early Bird Membership draw. The winner was Ron Heck. BIG thank you to Lake Huron Rod & Gun in Underwood for their support.
- Youth Firearms Program started on Sunday, January 14th, 2018 at the Clubhouse. 34 new and some experienced shooters along with parents and members filled the building. Robert and Krista Quesnel headed up the program again this year.
- For the little guys, the Handgun Club purchased a 22 single shot called the Rascal at the Lake Huron Rod & Gun for \$253.00.
- AI Hunter made a motion for the BPSA to cover the cost of the rifle for the junior program, Paul Maginnis seconded, carried.
- Ladies Firearms Program started on Sunday, January 14th, 2018. 14 women arrived to begin the first session of the BPSA Handgun Club program. Frank Hutter, Chief Safety & Training Officer, led a session outlining firearm safety rules and club range rules followed by a practical session.
- The session was followed by a live fire session in the club range using .22 cal. Rifles.
- Many thanks to Patricia Krieg for pulling together many of the participants.
- To-date 55 Handgun Club members have paid membership dues.

Boot Scrubber Program & Tree Planting – Kevin Harders & Lincoln Leudke

- The BPSA wish to keep pushing for more boot scrubbers as an interactive awareness tool.
- Have received great feedback from this project.
- Continue to pursue partnering with our groups, i.e. Bruce Peninsula Biosphere, local boat tour companies in Oliphant area and perhaps local cottagers and Home Owners Association.
- Certificate of Insurance was sent to all Board members and we are protected under our current insurance policy for the boot scrubber program.
- Still waiting to hear back from Bruce Trail Conservancy on land service agreement. Everything is proceeding well.
- BPSA will contact Matt Jackson who is looking into \$1,000 donation from Union Gas for 2018.
- We are looking for more corporate sponsorships for boot scrubbers.

- On January 12th, 2018 Lincoln Leudke contacted Cam Bennett at Grey Sauble Conservation to discuss tree planting project and Pat and Wayne Hepburn to discuss process of the tree planting on their property. Cam Bennett is available to meet at the property for a site plan on January 30th, 2018.
- Family tree planting event at Vanishing Creek and our new property adjacent to the Club in partnership with Bruce Trail Conservancy (300 – 400 trees). Lincoln Leudke asked what kind of trees do we want to plant, i.e. a mixed variety, plant them this year, do fence first, etc. Following a discussion with the membership, it was agreed Lincoln Leudke would ask Cam Bennett what would grow best and then get back to the membership with a recommendation.
- It was agreed when Cam Bennett sprays the Hepburn property weeds, we would request he spray our portion at the same time.
- The tree planting event is scheduled for Saturday, May 5th, 2018 starting @ 9 am and is being promoted as a youth driven project and looking for junior members and their families' to participate. All members are welcome.
- Lincoln Leudke is working with Kevin Harders to fill out the application through the Stewardship Grey Bruce Program to apply for trees for this event.

O.F.A.H - Stu Paterson

- Refer to NEWS section of BPSA website for full report.

New Business

- New Lock Sets for Clubhouse, gun range and hatchery:
 - Al Hunter recommended replacement of current lock sets on main building and gun range with 3 commercial lever style lock sets to improve the safety and easy access for all users.
 - Al Hunter raised lock set issue at last Executive Meeting and received full support along with recommendation to also replace the 3 lock sets on the Hatchery.
 - Total cost quoted by Randy's Lock, Safe & Alarm is \$1,513.85, which includes material, tax and installation.
 - Eric Barker asked if there is a policy to get more than one quote.
 - Al Hunter made a motion to replace current lock sets with lever style lock sets and supported by Executive for no more than existing quote, seconded by Don Elliott, 27 in favour, 2 opposed, carried.
 - It was suggested the lock sets on the washroom doors be updated as well using "residential style/quality lock sets" at an additional cost of \$80 - \$100.
- Introduction on Wilderness First Aid is scheduled for our April 26th, 2018 meeting @ 7:30 pm. Chuck Cannon is the presenter.
- Notice of Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Thursday, March 29th, 2018.
- Hepburn & BPSA land transfer – Mel Urbshott & Jim Martell
 - Hearing went well on January 24th with Town Council.
 - Approval to go to South Bruce Peninsula council for bylaw approval.
 - Some unfinished work, i.e. survey, plant tree.
 - Hoping land transfers to us by April. Will have one tax role number.
 - Eric Barker asked what is the property tax cost increase? Jim Martell explained we do not pay taxes because we are public facility within confines of our rules.
- Proposal from Hatchery & Fish Committee to insulate hatchery building:
 - Kevin Harders advised the freeze at the end of December made things difficult, i.e. freezing airlines, slippery floor and frozen supply lines.
 - Is there a benefit to insulating the building
 - Provide better working conditions in the winter and cooler conditions in the summer;
 - Does it prolong life of the steel on the building;
 - Any other benefits.

- Ray Marklevitz does not think there is a great advantage to insulating the Hatchery because of the cost and it might create more problems. Better to do improvements to improve the ventilation to reduce condensation which is the biggest problem. Suggested putting more ventilation on the roof.
 - Jim Martell suggested committee prepare a report to be brought forward to the membership.
- Membership access to members only page through password. Subcommittee to review procedures, etc. Jerry Beaver, Chairman. Change password every year for paid members.
 - Jim Martell raised issue with respect to functions with contact person and phone number for newsletter, face book and website. Contact name, phone number and general info about event.
 - In Annette Musselmans absence, Kevin Harders mentioned at the Executive meeting Annette raised the issue with respect to replacing the ovens in the Clubhouse. Jim Martell asked the membership to consider for now and a recommendation along with cost will be brought forward to the membership at a future meeting.

Prizes

- Little Fly Mosquito Net – Al Hunter
- Gardening Gloves – Martha Martell
- Preserves – Frank Hutter
- 2 Hats – Brian Allen, Paul Harris
- 5 fish crisps – Larry Parker, Dave Baxter
- 2 fishing lures – Murray Garniss, Nathan Smith
- 2 butter tarts – Don Elliott, Ian Laughland

Next meeting is Thursday, February 22nd, 2018.

A motion by Al Hunter to adjourn the meeting was carried, ending the November 2017 meeting @ 9:25 pm.