



BPSA General Meeting November 28, 2019

Bruce Beacock opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Thirty members present.

He introduced our own Frank Hutter who spoke briefly on Black Powder Firearms. Frank stressed the importance of safe handling and cleaning of the black powder rifles.

He also mentioned you must carry your PAL with you at all times when hunting and that the Federal definition of a loaded gun is a round in the chamber and or a load in the attached magazine even though there may not be a source of ignition (cap/primer).

His presentation was followed with a Q & A session.

50-50 Draw and Prizes

Thanks to everyone who donated to the prize table

Joan Bird was the lucky 50/50 draw winner. Eleven members went home with prizes from the prize table.

Motion by Stu Paterson to accept the Minutes from the September meeting; second by Charlie Robertson. Carried.

Motion by Corrie Beacock to accept the Minutes from the October meeting; second by Frank Hutter. Carried.

Motion by Frank Hutter to accept the Treasurer's Report for September; second by Eric Barker. Carried.

Motion by Eric Barker to accept Treasurer's Report for October; second by Paul Ouellette. Carried

Budgets:

Budgets will be reviewed at the Executive meeting in January

Director position

Mike Smith has agreed to accept the vacant Director seat. Motion by Eric Barker to have Mike Smith installed as a Director; second by Dave Baxter. Carried

Membership - Jerry Beaver

Time to renew your membership for 2020

Q&A regarding the monthly reports

New Business

Boot Scrubber – Eric Barker

Twenty are waiting signage plus twenty-six remain in inventory.

Handgun Club Report – Al Hunter

Handgun membership is currently at 72. Renewal memberships must be received no later than December 31st for insurance coverage or member will be penalized an additional \$25.00 for late payment.

Our youth program is to begin Sunday, January 19th, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
The Ladies program will start in January as well

Al Hunter mentioned there was evidence of water at the electrical panel in range last week when we had a driving rain from the east.

Motion by Al Hunter to have the Hot Water heater on all the times; second by Annette Musselman. Carried.

OFHA - Stu Paterson

Regarding the cormorant hunt, the bill received its First Reading on November 6th.

BPSA position on this hunt is that:

....“Cormorants are damaging fish populations for both sports and commercial fishing. they have destroyed vegetation on many Great Lakes islands, example Hay Island at the mouth of Colpoy’s Bay. We continually work towards improving the survival rate of fish we stock. This hunt will reduce cormorant populations and improve stocked fish survival rates. We don’t want to eliminate cormorants we want to bring their populations under control. Cormorants are one reason why sports fishing in the Great Lakes is not nearly as good today as it was 20 years ago”

Wild Boar – report all sighting to the MNRF Tips Line at 1-877-847-7667.

Coming Events

- Holiday Wreath Design: 7 P.M. Tomorrow
- Santa Claus Parade: Saturday December 7th: Build float 2 P.M. at the clubhouse
Parade 7 P.M.
- Christmas Party: Date TBD – Archery Club
- Youth Shoot Program: January 19th
- Euchre and games night: January 23rd? Feb March

Ray Marklevitz mentioned the fish stocking was done as well as the insulation in the hatchery has been completed.

Motion by Ray Marklevitz for a formal letter of thanks be issued by the President to OFAH for the Honda 2000 Generator; second by Eric Barker. Carried

Calendar on web and calendar in clubhouse are not in sync.

Policy of clubhouse usage - take to the executive Annette Musselman thought that this had been addressed.

SSA asked BPSA for a brief synopsis regarding BPSA history/events for their next Salmon Spectacular publication

Some discussion on the current format with regard to reports being submitted early and that the minutes are too lengthy.

Motion by Eric Barker to continue with forwarding reports prior to the meeting until March; second by Frank Hutter. Two opposed. Carried.

Next meeting Thursday January 30th, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Paul Ouellette; second by Anette Musselman. Carried.