

Brokenhead Game & Fish Association Inc.
Minutes - October 5, 2016

Attendance: Mark Loepky, Ben Mickeloff, Glen Collard, Paul Milan, Ted Vidler, Glen Napady, Rosi Napady, Jeffrey Cottes, Colette Marr, Jerry Marr, Bob Austman, Dennis Saydak, Tim Putnam

1) Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order @ 7:32 by Bob Austman

2) Additions to the Agenda:

Annual generator servicing is needed.

3) Correspondence:

1) A copy of a letter written by Premier Brian Pallister to Catherine Cox (Minister of Sustainable Development) was received. The letter contains some positive news for Manitoba conservation efforts.

2) Community Orgs:

a) Several letters were received from conservation-oriented and community-based organizations announcing their fund raising events. Advertisements about this will be published in community newspapers such as The Clipper.

b) A motion was made by Bob Austman, 2nd by Colette Marr to support the MWF Wild at Heart Banquet, November 3rd at the Winnipeg Victoria Inn by purchasing a table for six deserving BRG&FA members. Motion was carried and Colette will phone those who's names were recommended at this meeting.

c) There will be a Fall Shredathon event, October 21st (12:00 - 4:00 P.M. at the Century 21 Sun Country Realty Rear Parking Lot, 644 Park Avenue, Beausejour. Event sponsored by the Brokenhead River Community Foundation. Donations of \$20.00 or more will give you a chance to win 2 Winnipeg Jets tickets.

d) The Brokenhead River Community Foundation will host a wine tasting, fund raising event at the Beausejour Legion on November 19, 5:00 - 8:00 P.M.

4) Previous Minutes: Motion to accept the September meeting minutes was made by Bob Austman. 2nd by J. Cottes, Carried.

5) Officer Reports;

a) President's Report: Re-President vacancy- It was unanimously agreed that Bob Austman together with Jeffrey Cottes will assume the President's duties for the remainder of our current year.

b) Treasurer's Report: (By Paul Millan) With a recent deposit of \$1410.00 there is now \$22, 533.03 in our general bank account.

6. Committee Reports:

a) Membership: Colette confirmed that pre-printed membership cards will be available for 2017. New gate keys need to be cut for 2017. Ted Vidler has a key cutting machine and will report if he is able to do this job. Paul Millan recommended that gate keys be given to the RCMP and local Conservation Office.

b Sporting Clays Report: (By Tim Putnam)

Tim provided an excellent update on this years sporting clay group activity:

* In spite of the wet weather and mosquitoes during the summer, the group had a relatively successful year.

* However, poor weather did hamper the fall National Championships event. Tim extended a heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers.

* The newly established clay station in front of the clubhouse was not used by anyone this year.

* There had been a lot of thought put into what this group wants to do for the future. Creating a Junior Shotgun "club" is a definite priority. A date will be chosen before the next banquet for a Junior orientation session. Replacing the front clay station with automatic equipment is a possibility to increase activity & interest. A Sporting clay open house day is also under consideration for 2017. There will be Christmas Turkey shoot days in October, November & December. Dates TBA.

c) Range: Members are reminded that only current members are allowed at the range unless as a participating guest in an organized event. This is a insurance liability requirement.

7) Old Business:

a) 2017 Banquet: Bob Austman asked for ideas to be submitted to make this our 20th anniversary banquet special. Paul Millan suggested a 20th Anniversary Logo be designed.

b) National Hunting & Fishing Day: Jeffrey Cottes will work on promoting this event for next year by our club.

c) Bucks Draw Tickets are now available and were distributed to those attending.

d) Bob Austman reported that funding has been restored for the Moose Management Committee work.

8) New Business:

a) Len Winikie Bursary: This annual award was created some 15 years ago in honour of a key founding member of our club. The original amount of \$250.00 has never been increased. Subject to Paul Milan checking with Len's widow, a motion was made by Bob Austman to increase the bursary amount to \$500.00, 2nd by Colette Marr and carried. Paul Milan also made a motion, 2nd by Bob Austman to change the bursary name to the *Leonard Winikie Memorial Bursary*. Motion was carried.

b) Problems with the generator were experienced during this meeting. Bob Austman agreed to take the generator in for a service check-up.

9: The "Bear Pit". Bob Austman recommended that an open floor discussion session be held at each meeting to talk about anything pertaining to our sport/hobby.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

Next meeting will be held on November 2nd, 7:30 PM at the Legion.