

Ponoka Fish and Game Association
Meeting Minutes March 7, 2019

Christine Frandsen
Beth Sykes
Herb MacDonald
David Abt
Robert Greene

Tom Simpson
Leonard Davis
Scott Rarick
Ron Rarick
Carol Kelly

Todd Kelly
Philip Arndt
Tegan Drader
Dale Jess
Nick Mandrusiak

Meeting called to order 738pm

Approval of February Minutes by Tom Simpson. Seconded by Scott Rarick. Carried!

Approval of agenda by Tom Simpson. Seconded by Robert Greene. Carried!

Medicine River Presentation:

- 35th Anniversary, in the first year there were a total of 14 patients. Today the average is 2000 patients a year - 230 different species.
- Property sits on 452 acres
- Mostly "man made" injuries
- Do rehabilitation and pest control
- 150 formal education programs
- This year there will be 6 interns coming for 5 months all university students.
- Currently building a wildlife hospital
- Has nature trail and children's playground
- Many different rescue locations (ie. Where the animals are trapped)
- Research on orphan animals not being raised in captivity. Implanting orphan animals into new families and tracking them
- Water rescue for animals that have fallen through ice or stuck on islands
- Employee - Todd- Will be taking a water rescue course. Looking to get equipment- Zodiac, life vests, throw rings, dry suit, drone for scouting out rescue locations, climbing harness + ladders (for high up rescues)

Archery- Looking for door prizes for May shoot.

Banquet- Presented banquet income.

- Inventoried the trailer
- Looked up prices on trailers- size larger- would like to buy a new or used one.

Leonard Davis made a motion that we up size our trailer for a cost of no more than \$10,000. Seconded by Tom Simpson. Carried!

Casino- Casino dates August 31st and September 1st.

Big Game- Scott brought in the trophy samples - the logo can be added on them and they can be made any size.

Membership- Painful new AFGA Website
- No numbers breakdown as of yet

Bird & Fish- Bird House building at the end of the month.
- Ellis bird farm cannot come they will be at a bird banding conference.
- Christine will see if Medicine River can come.

Environment- Nothing to Report

Predator- Peter Lougheed Park -some hikers ran into a grizzly bear

Property Pofianga- East door handle needs to be fixed
- Lights in storage room not working

Rentals- booked in Canadian Border Services for the last week of May.
- May long weekend still open

Past President- Firearms course Mar 16 & 17.
- Spring cleanup - Work Bee Apr 27, 2019

Glen Eden- Nothing to Report

Publicity- Letter ready to go out next week

Treasurer- Received cheque from Zone 3 fo \$3000.00 - deposited

Leonard Davis made a motion to look in to paying someone to paint the clubhouse not including the kitchen & area for no more than \$3000.00. Seconded by Christine Frandsen. Carried!

Range- More use now that the weather has been nicer

Rodeo- Nothing to Report

Trap- It's too cold

Youth- Nothing to Report

President- Conference Report

Secretary- Nothing to Report

Gull Lake- Nothing to Report

New Business- Medicine River Discussion:

- Leonard gave option to donate the trailer to them with sponsored by Ponoka Fish and Game logo for the storage of the equipment.
 - Scott gave option for donate \$2500.00
 - Tom gave option to donate \$1000.00 to start
- **Tabled for next meeting****

Lacombe Fish and Game request- Discussion- Not in favor of them coming in to present anything further. Leonard Davis abstained from discussion.

Tom Simpson moved to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 943pm