

# Ponoka Fish and Game Association

## Meeting Minutes April 4, 2024

Aaron Arndt	David Abt	Tanner Simpson	Tegan Drader
Ben Hellervik	Scotty Rarick	Ray Abt	Christine Frandsen
Richard Graves	Brandon Bolin	Tom Simpson	Candace Rosenke
Mel S	Leonard Davis	Herb MacDonald	Dale Jess

Meeting called to order 7:31 PM

### Approval of minutes from March – Ben Approves Tom Seconds. All in Favor Additions to Agenda – New Business: Shop, Propane tank/Trailer. Old Business - Thistles - Dave Approves Tom Seconds. All in Favor

**Archery** – Scott and Brandon want to set up targets and start a session next week. Insurance willing to pay out for 21 targets, Replacement cost \$16437.00. Went through new Pricing for this year new target replacement cost \$19263.69 added 4 additional. \$3650.00 more for inserts on the 3D targets. Archery club would like to increase the amount to include extra targets and inserts.

### Leonard Make Motion to take \$6480.69 out of General Account to cover additional charge and inserts to increase the life span of new Targets. second Scott

Ray suggests that Archery club to make up amount for half of the cost. Will Cover out of General Account and then archery club will hold a raffle to cover \$3200. Carried

**Banquet** – Nothing to Report

**Casino** – Nothing to Report

**Big Game** – Nothing to Report

**Membership** – No updated numbers. sending letters stirred up a few people. About 170 sent 20 returned no Address, rest have been buying membership. Between 166 and 200 members as of this morning. Changes to membership card that includes Addition of Youth membership of \$40 as AWF charges \$30. Will Get into Stand soon

**Bird/Fish** – Mixed up date for Bird house making date because of Easter. Placed a note and 4 people showed up. Dale took them to his shop, and they did it there.

Ray – 2024/2025 Fish regulations will not be out till later date (NO date Provided) because of regulation changes. Use 23/24 regulations till new book comes out.

**Environment** – Alberta destroyed more forest then the Amazon Rain Forest last year.

**Predator** – Nothing to Report

**Property Pofianga** – Dale – March 22 realized no Fire or Health inspections done lately, sent in Water sample. Next Thursday Health and Fire inspectors coming in. Are batteries changed in Alarm system? Done last year  
Lights have not been changes out yet.  
Insurance people will be here on Tuesday to update pictures and such with them.  
Update CRNL - well is gone only pipeline risers left.  
Orkin will be here on April 12 for traps

**Rentals** – Zone 3 Meeting April 21/24

**Past President** – Nothing to Report

**Glen Eden** – Looking good just waiting for snow to melt.

**Publicity** – Nothing to Report

**Treasurer** - Presented Cash Flow Balance

**Ray made motion to take \$50K out of General Account and put into Or Wildlife Trust Chequing account. Second – Dave. All in Favor**

**Range** – Worked it over a couple weeks ago. Looks good. Changed out signs along highway on Fence on Tuesday.  
Work-Bee? May 25-26 weekend

Range rules Document needs to be updated. Tegan will Print it and we will go through it at next meeting.

**Rifleman's Rodeo** – Nothing to Report

**Trap** – March was good \$1030. Shot on Easter and had 11 people, 69 rounds. Up 63% from last year. Down to last pallet of targets.

Lead Broke, replacement in customs. This Sunday will be last Sunday then will move to Tuesday.

**Youth Program** – Paperwork is organized. Info post for website will be sent to Tegan to be posted. Not accepting Applications till May 1st. Have had lots of interest for applicants and lots of leader interest. Met with new Fish and wildlife officer.

Camp weekend of July 15<sup>th</sup>

We are advertised for the Womens camp being held here.

**President** – Affiliation declaration needs to be done. Pins are ready. Ray will pick them up at Pins Plus.

**Leonard makes Motion to pay for Evelyns fuel and room to attend the April 14, 2024, Wildlife Caucasus meeting in Red Deer. Ray Seconded Carried.**

**Secretary** – willing to set up bulk Email through Google Workspace as we are non-profit. Brandon will also look into a subscription service for sending information to current members instead so people can unsubscribe if wanting too.

**Gull Lake Property** - Nothing to Report

### **Old Business**

Thistles – about \$60 an acre to spray/Around 100-120 acres to do.

Goats to kill thistle?

We don't want to kill the buck brush.

**Christine Makes Motion to spend up to \$10K on weed management on south Property and Fence lines. Second Leonard. All in Favor**

**Leonard Makes motion to rent south 80 acers for pasture. Second by Dave 1 in favor – 16 opposed Defeated.**

Samson Group Home – County of Ponoka put out notice for Meeting April 9<sup>th</sup> @ 11:15 anyone want to attend.

### **New Business**

Shop – Ray breaker in Garage blows. breaker could be why loader doesn't charge. Needs to be replaced. Add it to Peters list

Starlink – \$140 a month \$599 startup cost. Will look at

**Ray Makes motion that we purchase Starlink for Base unit of \$599 plus Tax and pay the Monthly fee as required. Tom seconds All in Favor**

Propane Tank for Trailer – Tank Rental to pay by Fish and Game. Tegan will check into this. Work needs to be done on trailer. Propane tank will be checked by

company for leak as cost is outrageous. If there isn't a tank leak, where are we loosing heat? As a group we will start looking to replace the trailer that is there as it may have too many issues to put money into.  
90% of maintenance was done when last asked.

Correspondence – Supply Lunch for Zone 3 meeting

**Leonard makes a motions to supply Lunch for Zone 3 Meeting. Second Christine All in favor.**

**Adjourned by Ray @ 9:35PM**